**BOARDING & GROOMING CONTRACT**

This is a contract between the COZY CATTERY (hereinafter called “Cattery”) and the cat owner whose signature appears below (hereinafter called “Owner”).

1. Owner agrees to pay the rate for boarding in effect on the date cat is checked into the Cattery through the date the cat is checked out of the Cattery. Should the Owner return early, a credit will be placed in Owner’s file to be used within a 2-year period for any future boarding visits. A minimum 2 day boarding fee will apply regardless of duration of the stay.
2. Owner further agrees to pay all costs and charges for special services requested, and all veterinary costs for the cat during the time said cat is in the care of the Cattery. Owner further agrees that the cat shall not leave the Cattery until all charges are paid to the Cattery by the Owner.
3. Cattery reserves the right to refuse service to any Owner at any time if Cattery is not able or willing to fulfill obligations requested by Owner.
4. By signing this Contract and leaving the cat with the Cattery, the Owner certifies to the accuracy of all information given about said cat, and that the Cattery’s liability shall in no event exceed the lesser of the current chattel value of a cat of the same breed or the sum of $200 per cat boarded. The Owner further agrees to be solely responsible for any and all acts or behavior of said cat while it is in the care of the Cattery.
5. Owner specifically represents that he/she is sole owner of the cat, clear of all liens and encumbrances.
6. Owner specifically represents to the Cattery that the cat has not been exposed to rabies, distemper, feline leukemia or other contagious diseases within a (30) thirty-day period prior to boarding and/or grooming and is up to date on Rabies and FVRCP vaccines.
7. If the cat becomes ill or if the state of the cat’s health otherwise requires professional attention, the Cattery, in its sole discretion, may engage the services of a veterinarian or administer medicine or give other requisite attention to the cat, and the expenses thereof shall be paid by the Owner upon pick-up of cat. The Cattery shall have, and is hereby granted, a lien on the cat for any and all unpaid charges resulting from boarding the cat at the Cattery.
8. In boarding elderly cats (12 years of age and older), or in boarding cats with at-risk health problems (diabetes, etc.), the Owner shall indicate on the form provided by the Cattery, instructions for the Cattery should the cat become ill or die. Owner understands that Cattery personnel are not veterinarians and do not hold a veterinarian license. If Owner’s cat is not medically stable, it is Owner’s responsibility to seek boarding services from a veterinarian of Owner’s choosing.
9. If the Owner does not pick up the cat or notify the Cattery of delay within 10 calendar days after the cat was to go home, the cat shall be deemed abandoned. The Cattery owner into whose custody the cat was placed for care shall first try to give oral and written notice to the Owner at the address and phone number given. If there is no response, the Cattery will handle this abandonment in the best interests of the cat by relinquishment to the Washoe County Animal Services Shelter for adoption or euthanasia.
10. Owner gives permission to Cattery to use photos, videos and/or testimonials on website, social media or other suitable outlets as a means of marketing the services of Cattery without compensation, monetary or otherwise, to Owner.
11. Owner’s admittance in boarding area is to be in the presence of Cattery staff only. Wandering around the cattery unattended is prohibited. Owner understands that touching or approaching any cabin with any cat that does not belong to Owner is strictly prohibited. Anyone failing to follow this policy will be prohibited from boarding area.
12. This Contract contains the entire agreement between the parties. All terms and conditions of this Contract shall be binding on the heirs, administrators, personal representatives and assigns of the Owner and the Cattery.
13. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Contract, or the breach thereof, or as the result of any claim or controversy involving the alleged negligence by any party to this Contract, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association, and judgment upon the award rendered by an arbitrator may be entered in any Court having jurisdiction thereof. The arbitrator shall, as part of this award, determine an award to the prevailing party of the costs of such arbitration and reasonable attorney’s fees of the prevailing party.

Cat Owner Signature: Date:

Cattery Representative Signature: Date:

Instructions in the event of emergency or death of your cat while boarding:

\_\_\_\_\_ Please notify me as soon as possible wherever I am on my trip.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please spare me the painful news until I have returned from my trip.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pick up arrangements have been made with **A Beloved Friends Pet Crematory (825-9900).**

\_\_\_\_\_ Take our cat to our Veterinary Hospital at:

\_\_\_\_\_ Call (friend/relative) to come and pick up my cat.

Cozy Cattery and staff are dedicated to the well-being and care of your cat(s), however, there are circumstances beyond our control, especially if your cat already has physical health problems. We will do our best to care for your cat, but we are not a veterinary clinic. If there are any doubts concerning the health needs of your cat, he/she will be taken to the closest animal emergency hospital. A transportation fee of **$75** for each time Cozy Cattery drives to the animal emergency hospital will be charged to Owner and payable at check-out. It is recommended that Owner contact their veterinarian prior to traveling to leave instructions in case of a worsening age or medical issue while cat is being boarded. Owner is responsible for all veterinary charges that may incur as a result, as well as transportation fees payable to Cozy Cattery.

\_\_\_\_\_ As legal owner of this cat, I understand the above statement and agree to the releasing the Cozy Cattery and/or staff from any liability regarding their decisions and actions for the welfare of my cat. I authorize the Cozy Cattery to take my pet to the closest animal emergency hospital and I also understand that I am responsible for all charges incurred at the animal emergency hospital, which will range anywhere from several hundred dollars to a few thousand dollars.

Grooming services are not included in boarding fees, however, these services are available to any cat during their boarding stay. Please consult with Cozy Cattery staff for current pricing and what grooming services will best solve your cat’s needs. Owner understands that grooming may expose pre-existing health and/or skin problems for which Cozy Cattery cannot be held liable. There are risks to having any cat groomed, just as there are risks involved in any function of our lives. If Cozy Cattery observes a potential risk involved with grooming your cat, we will discuss this with you and advise of any known risks and/or other potential options. Upon observation of such risk by Cozy Cattery, all grooming will stop regardless of what stage of grooming your cat is in. Certain illnesses and conditions including (but not limited to) diabetes, heart murmur, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, seizures and being overweight result in a higher risk of incident during grooming. Cozy Cattery and/or Owner may not be aware of any such conditions for your cat. Owner assumes all risk associated with any grooming procedures.

Grooming options will be discussed with Owner, however, Cozy Cattery reserves right to refuse service to any Owner if Cozy Cattery deems requested grooming is not in the best interest of the cat. Owner understands that Cozy Cattery’s methods of performing grooming procedures results in a safe and effective experience that will allow your cat to feel as comfortable as possible during his/her grooming session. If Owner requests services that will cause unnecessary pain for the cat when better options are available, Cozy Cattery will inform Owner of better options and refuse service if Owner does not consent to options that are more effective in solving cat’s grooming needs.

In the event of any health concern if Owner is absent, Owner authorizes Cozy Cattery to contact a veterinarian and authorize any veterinary treatment for the cat as necessary. In the event of Owner dropping cat off for grooming services only, Cozy Cattery will contact Owner directly at phone number provided by Owner. Owner is responsible for all veterinary charges that may incur as a result.

Cat Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cat Owner Signature: Date:

Cat Owner Phone #: ­

EMERGENCY NAME & CONTACT #:­

Cattery Representative Signature: Date: