

# WESTMONT COLLEGE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT

## ANIMAL ADOPTION AGREEMENT

Animal Species: \_\_\_\_\_

Identification No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Course or Protocol No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Adopting Animal: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I accept the adoption of the animal described above, and I agree to each of the following:

- Reason for Adoption.** I agree that this animal is to be a pet for my immediate family and myself.
- Condition of Animal.** I accept this animal in its present condition. I understand that there are no expressed or implied guarantees relative to the health or temperament of the animal.
- Responsibility for Animal.** I assume all responsibility of owning, possessing and caring for this animal and understand that it can neither be returned to the Psychology Department nor housed temporarily or permanently in the Psychology/Neuroscience Vivarium for any reason. I also understand that this animal cannot be sold, given away, released into the wild, or otherwise released from my care unless extreme circumstances require it. If the animal must be released from my care, I will make every attempt to secure a satisfactory home environment for it.
- Care of Animal.** I already know how to care for this animal, or I will learn about how to care for this animal. I will take care of the animal in a manner that is considered appropriate for a pet of this species.
- Assumption of Risk.** I agree to hold harmless from liability the Psychology Department or its agents and Westmont College or its agents, for any claim that may arise from the adoption of the animal.
- Acknowledgment.** I have read this Animal Adoption Agreement and fully understand its terms. I voluntarily sign this Agreement with full knowledge of its significance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Adopting Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

On behalf of Westmont College Psychology Department:

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Course Instructor or Principal Investigator

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Date