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The Animal Care League (ACL) is a “limited intake” facility, meaning we do not euthanize for space or time. Nonetheless, there are instances where we must euthanize an animal because it has been deemed un-adoptable due to a severe behavior issue and/or an untreatable medical condition.

As no two circumstances are identical, it is not fair to our animals to list a set of “pass/fail” criteria when making the euthanasia decision. Nonetheless, there are questions we ask ourselves when making this decision. Such questions include: is the animal suffering; can the ACL care for/cure the animal; does the animal have a behavior problem which is deemed uncontrollable and one which would keep it from getting adopted or make it a candidate for abuse if adopted; etc. Additionally, we take into consideration all experiences our staff and volunteers have when interacting with each animal. We also conduct a formal temperament assessment before making a decision about an animal’s disposition.

Once an animal (dog) is transferred or surrendered to the care of the Animal Care League, it becomes the property of ACL. Your signature below indicates that you, as a representative of a shelter, rescue group or other animal welfare organization/facility, agree with the conditions mentioned above. Furthermore, you understand that once an animal is surrendered to the ACL, its disposition will be determined by ACL staff. No information regarding an animal’s adoption, health or evaluation status will be given out to individuals or transferring agencies. **Animals will not be returned to surrendering agencies or individuals.** This contract applies to any and all animals transferred/surrendered from your agency to ACL now and in the future.

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Agency Representing\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_