PET APPLICATION

Resident's Name	Unit/Apt. No			
Type of pet	Age of pet			
Name of pet	Weight of pet			
My dog must not be any taller than <mark>15"</mark> and r when full grown. My pet does() does not	() meet these qualifications.			
How long have you owned this pet?				
Has your pet lived in rental housing before, if s	so where			
Date of last vaccinations Has your pet been spayed or neutered? If your pet is a cat, has it been declawed?	()yes ()no			
Name and phone number of three persons emergency:				
Name & telephone number of Veterinarian:				
I must furnish the housing authority with a	photo of my pet.			

I have furnished the housing authority with a Veterinarian's Statement certifying that my pet has been () spayed () neutered and has received all vaccines required by law, and is in good health with no communicable diseases. () yes () no

I have furnished the housing authority a Non Refundable Pet Fee in the amount of \$75.00 and a refundable Pet Deposit in the amount of \$75.00.

Date:		

Signature:_____ Lessee

ADDENDUM TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT

PET LEASE ADDENDUM

In accordance with HUD regulations, reasonable requirements for Public Housing Authority residents to own pets are established in the Pet Policy. This policy applies only to the ownership of pets in public housing as allowed under 24 CFR, Part 960, Subpart G, Pet Ownership in Public Housing. Animals defined as "assistance animals", "service animals", "support animals", "therapy animals" or other animals that assist, support, or provide service to persons with disabilities are specifically excluded from this policy.

Each family may own or have <u>ONE</u> household pet in the dwelling unit occupied by the family listed below and reflected in this Lease Addendum.

Lessee:

Unit/Account No.

Co-Lessee_____

Non-refundable pet fee:_____

Name and Description of Pet_____

I, ______, and all household members agree to the following rules and statements made in this Lease Addendum as set by the housing authority. When the housing authority refers to pet, that means that only domesticated dogs, cats, birds and fish are included. Snakes or any reptiles are prohibited. This Lease Addendum reflects the responsibilities of the housing authority and the resident.

Only one pet is allowed per family. I also understand that my pet cannot be larger than:

Dog: 15 inches tall when full grown – Cat: 10 inches tall when full grown.

I agree to pay \$75.00 as a non-refundable fee to cover the reasonable operating costs to the project relating to the presence of my pet (excluding birds and fish).

I also agree to pay a <mark>\$75.00</mark> refundable pet deposit to cover any cost not covered by the non refundable fee.

I understand that this Pet Fee and Pet Deposit are paid in addition to my required Security Deposit and <u>MUST</u> be paid before the pet in allowed in my unit.

WHAT I MUST DO:

- 1. I must have my dog or cat licensed yearly with the local government, if required, and I must show proof of annual rabies and distemper booster inoculations.
- 2. I must not have vicious and/or intimidating animals.
- 3. I must spay or neuter my dog or cat, as applicable.
- 4. I must see that my dog or cat remains inside my unit. No animal shall be permitted to be loose or unattended in yards or any common areas.
- 5. I must keep my dog or cat on a leash when taken outside the unit, controlled by an adult and kept within the yard areas assigned to me.
- 6. I must restrain my pet, as required, when housing authority maintenance workers enter my apartment to perform work orders, during inspections, and when any contractor of the housing authority requires entry into my apartment. I shall either be at home or shall have all animals restrained or caged. If a maintenance person enters my apartment where my animal is not restrained, maintenance shall not be performed. If this same situation again occurs, my pet shall be removed from my premises. If my Pet is not caged or properly restrained it will be impounded and taken to the proper authorities. The housing authority shall not be responsible if my animal escapes from the residence due to maintenance, inspections or other activities of the landlord.
- 7. I must see that my pet receives medical care necessary to maintain good health.
- 8. I must keep my birds confined to a cage at all times.
- 9. My aquariums must be 20 gallons or less, placed in a safe location in my unit, and must not block access to windows. I am limited to one container for the fish; however, there is no limit on the number of fish that can be maintained in the container as long as the container is maintained in a safe and non-hazardous manner.
- 10. I must not permit my pet to disturb, interfere or diminish the peaceful enjoyment of other residents. The term "disturb, interfere and diminish" shall include, but not be limited to: barking, howling, chirping, biting, scratching and other like activities.
- 11. I must be solely responsible for cleaning up pet droppings, if any, inside and outside the unit and on facility grounds. Droppings must be disposed of by being placed in a plastic bag and then placed in a container outside the building.

- 12. I must provide waterproof and leak proof litter boxes for cat waste, which must be kept inside the dwelling unit. Cardboard boxes are not acceptable and will not be approved. I must not permit refuse from litter boxes to accumulate nor to become unsightly or unsanitary.
- 13. I must take adequate precautions and measures necessary to eliminate pet odors within or around the unit and shall maintain the unit in a sanitary condition at all times.
- 14. I must not leave my pet unattended for long periods of time. If pets are left unattended for a period of 24 hours or more, the housing authority may enter the dwelling unit, remove the pet and transfer it to the proper authorities, subject to the provisions of Tennessee State Law and pertinent local ordinances. The Housing Authority accepts no responsibility for the animal under such circumstances.
- 15. I must not alter my unit or yard in any manner in order to create an enclosure for any pet.
- 16. I must be responsible for all damages caused by my pets, including the cost of cleaning and replacing carpet and/or fumigation of the unit or units.
- 17. If my animal should become destructive, create a nuisance; represent a threat to the safety and security of other residents, housing authority staff or contractor's personnel, or create a problem in the area of cleanliness and sanitation, the Housing Authority will notify me, in writing, that my animal must be removed. The written notice will contain the date by which the pet must be removed and this date must be complied with by the Head of Household. This date will be immediate if my pet may be a danger or threat to the safety and security of other residents. I may request a hearing, which will be handled according to the Housing Authority's established grievance procedure. Provided, however, my pet must be immediately removed from the unit upon notice during the hearing process if the removal is related to safety and security.
- 18. I must not feed or harbor stray animals. The feeding of stray animals shall constitute having a pet without the written permission of the housing authority.
- 19. I must be responsible for any damage caused by my pets. It is highly recommended that pet owners purchase liability insurance that would protect the owner in the event that their pet bit, scratched or in any way harmed anyone.
- 20. Should any pet housed give birth to a litter, I must remove all of the pets from the premises.

- 21. I must identify an alternate custodian for my pets in the event of illness or other absence from the dwelling unit. The identification of an alternate custodian must occur prior to the Housing Authority issuing a pet lease addendum.
- 22. I understand that the privilege of maintaining a pet in a facility owned and/or operated by the housing authority shall be subject to the rules herein. This privilege may be revoked at any time subject to the Housing Authority Grievance Hearing Procedures, if my animal should become destructive, create a nuisance, represent a threat to safety and security of other residents, or create a problem in the area of cleanliness and sanitation.
- 23. In the event of the death of a pet, I must properly dispose of the remains in accordance with the local public health regulations, and under no circumstances on the property of the housing authority.
- 24. I must ensure that my pet does not cause an infestation of insects such as fleas and ticks. Where this occurs, I am responsible for contracting the services of a professional pest control company to eradicate the infestation.

DO I UNDERSTAND THIS PET POLICY?

By signing this Lease Addendum, I am saying that the housing authority has gone over the Pet Policy and this Addendum with me. I am also saying that I understand all of it. I understand that this is an agreement between me and the housing authority and that it is a legally binding contract between me and the housing authority.

Date:_____

Lessee:

Director:

By: Housing Authority Personnel