

**MidAmerica Boston Terrier Rescue**  
Palliative Care Agreement

I agree to the following items as the role of a Palliative Caretaker of MABTR:

MABTR Responsibilities:

- Pay 100% of all medical care including any special food required. Standard care includes routine vaccinations, spaying or neutering, heartworm test, fecal test, deworming, and micro-chipping.
- Cover the cost of any medical treatment including grooming that becomes necessary during the time the Foster Dog is fostered.
- Pay 100% of the euthanasia and ashes to be returned per the request of the caretaker parent.

Caretaker Expectations:

- Caretaker will provide care *without expectation of reimbursement* for any normal and customary out-of-pocket expenses: regular grooming to include bathing, brushing the coat, cleaning the ears, trimming nails, cleaning nose flaps and face wrinkles. This care shall include, but is not limited to, loving and humane treatment, proper and nutritional foods, regular exercise, and appropriate toys.
- To provide at all times fresh water, shelter from adverse weather and temperature extremes, **a safe fenced in yard or on leash for apartment homes**, and when necessary administer appropriate medication provided by MABTR.
- Caretaker will oversee the dog's medical and veterinary care with MABTR's approval. If the Hospice Dog needs emergency medical treatment, caretaker will provide necessary emergency care immediately, with no required pre-approval by MABTR.
- Caretaker will not employ harsh training methods, will never physically or emotionally abuse the Hospice Dog and will not let any other person or animal physically or emotionally abuse the Hospice Dog.
- If, for any reason, Caretaker is not able to continue palliative care, Caretaker agrees to notify MABTR immediately. MABTR will make arrangements for removal of the Hospice Dog, and Caretaker agrees to cooperate in those arrangements.
- If the Hospice Dog is lost, stolen or dies; Caretaker shall notify MABTR immediately.**
- Caretaker to have open communication with MABTR on the quality of life of the Hospice Dog and to participate in the decision making for when it is time to euthanasia prior to the Hospice dog struggling or to be in pain.

Caretaker Understands and Accepts the following:

- Hospice Dog is to be kept as an "indoor only" dog (living inside the home), and the Hospice Dog will not be left outside at any time without proper adult supervision or when no one is at home.
- Caretaker agrees that **at no time** will the Hospice Dog be allowed to be off-leash outside of a fenced area.
- Caretaker grants MABTR and its representatives the right to inspect the Hospice Dog's environment and living arrangements at any reasonable time while they are fostering. Caretaker agrees not to withhold access to Hospice Dog.
- Hospice Dog is and shall remain the sole property of MABTR at all times. Caretaker further understands and acknowledges that Caretaker does not have any right or authority to keep or place the Hospice Dog in any other home or with any other individual or in boarding, at any time. Temporarily or permanently moving the Hospice Dog to, or placing the Hospice Dog in, any other home or in boarding can only be done with the full knowledge and approval of MABTR, and must be done in advance of the Hospice Dog's moving.
- Caretaker fully understands and agrees to assume all risks involved in any and all activities, tasks or duties performed for MABTR in a volunteer capacity. Caretaker understands that the behavior of domestic animals may be unpredictable and may result in serious personal injury or death as well as extensive property damage. Caretaker understands that while they are acting within the scope of their duties as a Palliative Caretakers for MABTR they **agree to release, discharge and hold MABTR harmless from any and all liability, claims and damages arising out of or as a consequence of any personal injury or legal damages** that may result to members of the public or members in the home.
- Caretaker agrees that if they are found to be in default of any of the provisions of the Palliative Agreement, the Hospice Dog may be seized and removed from the Home immediately, with no prior notice, and they further agree not to withhold the Hospice Dog from MABTR.
- If Caretaker breaches this Agreement, MABTR will be entitled to enforce its rights by action for specific performance.

*By executing this Agreement, Caretakers acknowledge that they have read and fully understand this agreement, and fully abide by all the conditions, promises, terms and covenants made.*

Printed Name of 1 <sup>st</sup> Volunteer			Date:		
Signature of 1 <sup>st</sup> Volunteer			Email:		
Signature of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Volunteer			Email:		
# of pets in the home:	Dogs:	Cats:	Compliant with City Ordinances including foster: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
Address:		City:		State/Zip:	
Phone:		Phone:			
Home visit completed by:		HV complete date:		Caretaker Sign off:	