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### PARROT ACQUISITION CONTRACT – 4 PAGES

The Gabriel Foundation ("The Foundation") is an IRS recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation and public charity dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and health of exotic birds through humane education, research, and service. The Foundation is completely donor supported. You have requested The Foundation to take ownership and care of the Bird.

Name of Bird \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Species \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ D.N.A. Certificate Y \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_  
Approximate Age \_\_\_\_\_ or Date of Hatch \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase price \_\_\_\_\_  
How long with Owner? \_\_\_\_\_ Previous number of homes? \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Owner(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City • State • Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (fax) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please complete the Client/Bird History Form regarding your bird **OR**

☐ Please complete the Emergency Bird Intake Form

**Please check all that apply:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Not enough time/Change in priorities/	<input type="checkbox"/> Bird too messy, loud or destructive
<input type="checkbox"/> For the bird's best interest	<input type="checkbox"/> Bird's failure to meet expectations
<input type="checkbox"/> Behavior/Biting, noise, aggression	<input type="checkbox"/> Death of Owner
<input type="checkbox"/> New spouse/Conflict with relationship	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in living situation
<input type="checkbox"/> Owner moving	<input type="checkbox"/> Bird's medical needs
<input type="checkbox"/> Owner's illness/Medical needs	<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Hardship of Owner
<input type="checkbox"/> Feather picking/Not attractive	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Baby in household/Conflict with children	

Other reasons for giving up your bird \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

☐ I want my bird to be placed into the Foundation's adoption program as a suitable candidate for adoption.

☐ I want my bird(s) be placed only in the Foundation's Sanctuary program and will provide financial support for my relinquished bird.

Whether prior to its arrival at The Gabriel Foundation or upon placement with The Gabriel Foundation, every bird must undergo a thorough avian wellness exam, the nature of which may vary depending upon the bird's species, age, history or physical findings. This extremely important procedure helps to provide for the safety of your bird as well as the current flock in residence at The Gabriel Foundation. Parrots often mask their illnesses, and though your bird may "act fine" or has "never been sick" diagnostics can help to determine whether or not that is correct according to the best



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current practices in avian medicine. Birds may pass disease through their feces and oral or nasal discharge to other birds. Parrots may carry *Chlamydophila psittaci* or avian tuberculosis that is transmissible to other birds or people.

**TGF's Avian Medical Protocol** is designed to rule out possible indicators of disease. The charges for this testing can vary for an avian wellness exam and diagnostic testing, but average estimates are:

Canary/Finch/Budgerigars/doves, pigeons	\$60.00
Cockatiel/Lovebird/small birds	\$75.00
Most other parrots	\$250.00/\$350.00

You and/or your veterinarian will be provided a copy of The Gabriel Foundation's Avian Medical Requirements prior to admission to The Foundation. We suggest that all costs should be discussed with your veterinarian prior to any testing. This bird has been in your care and you have been responsible for its welfare as its owner. If your bird has never been to a veterinarian with a special interest in avian medicine, TGF will arrange a veterinary wellness exam with one of our attending veterinarians or make a referral. TGF strongly requests that you make a restricted donation for the veterinary/medical intake exam when these services are provided by TGF on behalf of your bird.

To ease your bird's transition into TGF, whenever possible, when your bird is relinquished please provide your bird's cage, dishes and toys along with any of your bird's favorite things.

The Foundation is requested to accept hundreds of birds annually. Due to the cost of medical care, caging, toys, food, flight habitats, staff and the day-to-day business needs of providing for the birds, it is financially impossible to provide high standards of care for resident birds without your financial support for your bird's care at The Gabriel Foundation. Your financial responsibility does not end when your bird is placed with the Foundation.

Program support fees provide for the absolute best in care for your bird(s) while in the care of The Gabriel Foundation. Benefits include:

- Daily hands-on care and interaction, bird-to-bird social interaction, frequent bathing and attention to special-needs birds by highly skilled aviary technicians.
- Nutritious, well balanced diets that include fresh greens, vegetables, fruit, legumes, grains, nuts, seeds, Lafeber's Nutriberries, and other bird food diets as appropriate.
- Indoor & Outdoor habitats (depending on your bird's physical location) with enriched environments, and foraging opportunities.
- Medical services and quality supportive care provided by experienced veterinarians with a special interest in avian medicine, CVT's, TGF's trained staff and AHT's.

The Program Fee Schedule reflects **minimum** financial support for each bird relinquished to The Gabriel Foundation. All program fees and veterinary care reimbursement are tax-deductible for birds in TGF's Sanctuary and Rehabilitation programs. All donations, both cash and non-cash provided for any bird in TGF's sanctuary or rehabilitation programs are tax-deductible and will be acknowledged.

Photos and updates of your bird will be provided upon request to The Gabriel Foundation. We encourage you to email or submit your request online for information about your bird.



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**Program Fee Schedule**

- 1 Finch or Canary: \$20/month or \$240/year
- 1 small bird – Budgie, Lovebird, Cockatiel, Forpus, Dove: \$30/month or \$360/year
- 1 small Conure, small Lory or Quaker, Rosella, Brotogeris, Forpus, or Neophema: \$50/month or \$600/year
- 1 Dwarf Macaw, small Amazon, Pionus, Asiatic Parrot, large Conure, Poicephalus, or Lory: \$60/month or \$720/year
- 1 Amazon, small (RB2, G2, BE2, Citron, Lesser) Cockatoo, Eclectus, Grey Parrot, or small Macaw: \$80/month or \$960/year
- 1 Macaw, large Amazon, large (GSC2, Triton, U2) Cockatoo: \$100/month or \$1200/year
- 1 Hyacinth Macaw, Greenwing Macaw, or Moluccan Cockatoo: \$120/month or \$1440/year

If the program fees for the care of your bird become 30 days past due, you will be notified and payment in full is expected within 10 business days or mail out notice, unless previous financial arrangements have been made and noted in your bird's file.

Failure to provide payment for the care of your bird may result in "Abandoned" status of your bird. \_\_\_\_\_ (Owner's initials)

☐ **I will provide financial support to the Foundation for the care for my bird.**

\_\_\_\_ I will make a one-time, tax exempt donation upon placement of my bird for the estimated lifetime of my bird.

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Terms of a lifetime care contract must be prearranged with The Gabriel Foundation prior to your bird's admission)

\_\_\_\_ I agree to become a Lifetime member; \$2000.00 (one-time; tax-deductible)

\_\_\_\_ I will provide a \_\_\_\_ monthly or \_\_\_\_ annual donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Foundation for the cost of care for the health and well-being of my bird.

\_\_\_\_ **Enroll me in auto-payment;** use my credit card listed below. I understand that I am legally responsible for notifying The Gabriel Foundation of any change in the credit card to be used, change of address, or change in bird's status. I understand that my credit card will be charged on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month and that I am responsible for any prorated fees.

\_\_\_\_ **Invoice me monthly.** I understand to provide financial support for my bird's care of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month / year for the terms agreed to upon my bird's placement with TGF (Select one)

**I accept / do not accept financial responsibility** for reasonable medical and/or veterinary care incurred on behalf of the Bird in the event of a medical emergency for my relinquished bird. (Select one)

Name of Bird Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible Party (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment: Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card: Visa \_\_\_\_ MC \_\_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_\_ American Express \_\_\_\_

CC# \_\_\_\_\_ CCV# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address if different than mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Responsible Party \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **No, the Foundation cannot count on me to financially assist with the continued welfare of the bird(s) I have relinquished to its care.**

Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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By signing this Parrot Acquisition Contract (the "Contract"), you transfer ownership of the bird described above (the "Bird") to The Foundation. Your signature confirms that you agree to all the terms of this Contract.

If for any reason the Bird is returned to you, you agree to reimburse The Foundation for all expenses of caring for the Bird, such as veterinary care, food, toys, boarding, and overhead expenses.

You warrant to The Foundation that you are the sole owner of the Bird, have the right to transfer its ownership to The Foundation, and that there are no encumbrances on or other ownership interests to the Bird.

You agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless The Foundation, its agents, directors, officers, employees, volunteers, and affiliates from and against all actions, claims, damages, losses, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) if any of the above warranties are incorrect or incomplete, or if you breach this Contract.

You agree, without additional consideration, to sign, acknowledge, and deliver any other documents and take any other action necessary or appropriate and reasonably requested by The Foundation to carry out the intent and purposes of this Contract.

Colorado law will govern this Contract, and you agree that any litigation arising under this Contract will be brought in a court having jurisdiction within Colorado. In any dispute, the prevailing party shall recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

#### **MAINTAINING CONTACT**

You decide whether or not you would like to receive updates and information pertaining to your surrendered bird. Please check the appropriate box so that we may respect your wishes.

- ☐ **No**, do not contact me regarding my bird(s) placed with The Gabriel Foundation.
- ☐ **Yes**, I want to receive updates about the bird(s) I have placed with The Gabriel Foundation. I understand that I may contact the Foundation to inquire about my bird and that it is my responsibility to make inquiries about my bird(s). The Foundation will provide me updates in a timely manner upon request

#### **DONATION VALUATION**

You may request a donation acknowledgement letter from The Gabriel Foundation for tax purposes when you donate your parrot and/or other items to The Gabriel Foundation, a public charity. The Foundation cannot provide you with a valuation amount for the donated items; your original purchase receipts for items donated to The Gabriel Foundation should be provided to your tax planning professional along with a copy of The Gabriel Foundation's IRS donation acknowledgement letter. Please check with your tax professional for additional information regarding charitable donations.

- ☐ **Yes**, please provide me with a donation acknowledgement letter for tax purposes. I am donating the following items to The Gabriel Foundation:

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☐ **No**, do not provide me a donation acknowledgement letter  
I have read this Contract, understand it, and agree to its terms.

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Witness signature

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Responsible individual's signature

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Witness name (printed)

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Responsible individual's name (printed)

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Witness address

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Responsible individual's address