

# PAWS FOR A CAUSE AT MATTHEW 25: MINISTRIES

## WAIVER AND GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE

I, undersigned, fully understand, appreciate and agree that I have voluntarily requested and certify that I am physically capable of participating in the event entitled "Paws for a Cause" at Matthew 25: Ministries, which will involve my attendance and the attendance of my dog of which I have custody, at Matthew 25: Ministries. I acknowledge, agree, and represent that I have, or will immediately upon entering and continuously thereafter, inspected the area where I will be performing volunteer duties with my dog and determined that it is safe and suitable for my dog's participation in the event and further agree and warrant that if, at any time, I feel anything to be unsafe, including the threat from other dogs participating in the event, I will immediately advise a Matthew 25: Ministries staff member of such unsafe condition(s) and will leave Matthew 25: Ministries. I acknowledge that injuries received may be compounded or increased by negligent rescue operations or procedures of the releasees. I understand that my actions and the actions of the dog I have custody and/or control of during the event may result in injuries and damages to myself and others, whether anticipated or unanticipated or foreseeable or unforeseeable, including my dog as well as dogs of others by participating in this event. I understand that I assume the risk and responsibility for any and all risks associated with participating in this event including but not limited to injury, death, and property damage as well as injury, death, and property damage to dogs. I agree to abide by any decision of any Matthew 25: Ministries official relevant to my ability or the ability of the dog of which I have custody to participate in this event safely, and I further agree that Matthew 25: Ministries officials may authorize necessary treatment for me and/or the dog in my custody. I further assume any and all risks associated with my participation in this event including but not limited to illness, traveling to and from the event, falls, contact with spectators at the event, injuries or damages including death sustained by and through other participant dogs, the effects of the weather including extreme temperature and humidity, the condition of the premises and Matthew 25: Ministries, including sidewalks and parking lots, and it is understood and agreed that all such risks are appreciated by me. I confirm and assure that the dog in my custody and/or control of during the event has current Rabies, DHLPP, Parvo, and Bordatella vaccinations, is in good health, is able to tolerate the presence of crowds and other dogs, and does not normally demonstrate dangerous or aggressive behavior towards persons or other dogs. I agree to abide by all the rules and instructions given in connection with this event. I assume the risk for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the manner and method by which the event is administered. I acknowledge that I have completed the "Paws for a Cause" Application and I understand that I am solely responsible for the accuracy of information that is contained therein. I hold the parties as identified below released from liability and any responsibility for verifying the information contained in the application whether the information was provided by me or any other person.

I, the undersigned, have read this waiver and I am competent to sign the waiver with full understanding of the above information. In consideration for allowing me to participate in this event with the dog in my control, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators or anyone acting on my behalf, waive, release, covenant not to sue, and fully indemnify and hold harmless and discharge Matthew 25: Ministries, their respective directors, partners, employees, officers, owners, affiliates and agents, any sponsor of "Paws for a Cause", suppliers, agents and independent contractors, City of Blue Ash, Hamilton County, ASPCA, or other personnel or entities in any way assisting or connected with this event from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, losses, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) of any kind arising out of my or my dog's participation in this event, regardless of who causes the injury, death, or damage sustained, including negligent rescue operations, and regardless of whether based on fault or negligence or not.

I grant permission to Matthew 25: Ministries to use my and/or my dog's image, likeness, and sound of my voice as recorded at this event by still photography, audio or video in publications or other media material used, produced, or contracted by Matthew 25: Ministries including but not limited to brochures, informational materials, websites, social media, PSAs, etc. I understand I will not receive payment or other compensation for the use of my or my dog's image or recording.

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PRINT Name of Participant *(Must be 18 years of age or older)*

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Date

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Signature of Participant