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**CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINATION & CARE CONSENT FORM  
CLIENT VERIFICATION OF CONCURRENT TRADITIONAL VETERINARY CARE**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, owner of the animal described below, verify that I am eighteen years of age or older, and I understand, confirm, and consent to the following:

- 1) Dr. Maria V. McElwee is a Doctor of Chiropractic, licensed in the care of humans. She has completed post doctorate education specific to Animal Chiropractic, and has been certified in Animal Chiropractic by the International Veterinary Chiropractic Association.
- 2) Dr. Maria McElwee is not a veterinarian, and is not responsible for the primary care of my animal.
- 3) Chiropractic Care is not intended to replace traditional veterinary care, but is considered a complimentary therapy, to be used concurrently and in conjunction with my Veterinarian's care.
- 4) I understand that there is minimal research supporting the clinical efficacy of Animal Chiropractic, and that some aspects of my animal's care may be used in future research data.
- 5) Dr. Maria McElwee has explained to me the scope of her care and described the procedures she will perform on my animal. I understand those procedures and acknowledge that they agree with the American Veterinary Medical Association's (AVMA) description of Animal Chiropractic as follows: "Veterinary [Animal] chiropractic is the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of nonhuman animals through manipulation and adjustments of specific joints and cranial sutures.... Animal Chiropractic does not include dispensing medication, performing surgery, injecting medications, recommending supplements, or replacing traditional veterinary care.... The assurance of education in veterinary chiropractic is central to the ability of the veterinary profession to provide this service. Therefore, it is recommended that, where the state's practice act permit, licensed chiropractors educated in veterinary chiropractic be allowed to practice this modality under the supervision of, or consultation by a licensed veterinarian who is providing concurrent care."
- 6) Dr. McElwee has explained Animal Chiropractic care to my satisfaction, and I realize that there can be no guarantee as to the nature of my animal's condition or the outcome of any procedure.

I hereby authorize Dr. Maria V. McElwee, Chiropractor, to care for my animal with Animal Chiropractic. I certify that my animal has had routine, traditional veterinary care, and my current veterinarian is:

Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I have been open and honest with Dr. Maria V. McElwee as to any and all other examinations, diagnostic tests, diagnoses, and treatments for my animal's conditions. I have read this authorization form, understand it, and give my consent to examine and treat:

Patient's (Animal's) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Animal's Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Trainer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_