SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Settlement Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into between SEMINOLE COUNTY, a charter county and political subdivision of the State of Florida, whose address is Seminole County Services Building, 1101 East 1st Street, Sanford, Florida 32771 and ALEXA DICKSON, an individual (collectively, the "parties") who agree as follows:

- 1. SEMINOLE COUNTY has brought a civil action against ALEXA DICKSON pursuant to Section 828.073, Florida Statutes. The civil action was filed in the County Court of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Seminole County, Florida, on August 1, 2025, and was assigned the following case number: 2025-CC-004343.
- 2. Respondent denies all allegations brought against her in this matter. However, the parties are desirous of settling their disputes and agree to compromise and settle all claims, disputes, and contentions between themselves regarding this case, and to avoid the uncertainties of further litigation and the costs and expenses which would otherwise be incurred in conjunction with trial and trial preparation.
- 3. Respondent, Alexa Dickson, shall formally execute a Seminole County Animal Services Surrender Form to surrender and relinquish all ownership rights to "Kirby" who is the subject of Seminole County Case No.: 2025-CC-004343. Upon the execution of a Seminole County Animal Services Surrender Form, and this Settlement Agreement, Alexa Dickson, shall have waived all rights, powers, privileges, duties and obligations pertaining to "Kirby" and any interest which she has ever held over "Kirby".
- 4. Seminole County Animal Services shall make "Kirby" available for adoption by Kaelyn Dickson for five (5) business days after the execution of the Settlement Agreement. Upon adoption by Kaelyn Dickson, Seminole County Animal Services shall require her to agree to return Kirby to Seminole County Animal Services if she is unable or unwilling to care for him. If Kaelyn Dickson does not adopt Kirby within the above-referenced five (5) business days, Kirby shall be made available for adoption by the general public.
- 5. Respondent shall not have permanent or indefinite temporary custody over Kirby.
- 6. Upon execution of a Seminole County Animal Services Surrender Form, County shall file a "Notice of Dismissal with Prejudice Per Private Settlement Agreement" in case 2025-CC-004343. Each party shall bear its own attorney's fees and costs.

- 7. Should Respondent violate the terms of this Agreement, Petitioner hereby reserves the right to seek enforcement of the Settlement Agreement by any available means.
- 8. Respondent warrants and represents that she has been fully informed by her attorney about this Agreement, that no promise or inducement has been offered or made except as herein set forth, and that this Settlement Agreement is executed without the reliance upon any statement or representation by any other party.
- 9. This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon the respective heirs, descendants, successors in interest, assigns, and legal representatives of the Respondent.
- 10. This Settlement Agreement is a compromise of a disputed claim. Acceptance of any benefit pursuant to this Agreement is intended merely to avoid future litigation, and acceptance of any benefit under this Agreement shall not to be construed as an acquiescence by any party to the claims and allegations of the other party.
- 11. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the parties concerning settlement of any and all claims between the named parties in Seminole County Case No.: 2025-CC-004343. This Agreement shall supersede and cancel any and all prior and contemporaneous discussions, negotiations, arrangements, agreements, and understandings between the parties with respect to same. None of the parties or other persons have made any oral or written representation, other than those explicitly set forth in this Agreement, upon which any party is relying on in making its decision to enter into this Agreement.
- 12. This Settlement Agreement is subject to the approval of the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners.
- 13. The validity, construction, interpretation and administration of this Settlement Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida.
- 14. The effective date will be the date when the last party has properly executed this Settlement Agreement.
- 15. The parties agree, without receipt of further consideration, to execute and deliver any documents and to take any action that may be reasonably required to give effect to the provisions of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Settlement Agreement for the purposes stated above.

| WITNESSES: | ALEXA DICKSON |
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| Witness | ALEXA DICKSON |
| Ruan Bratz | |
| Print Name | Date: 10/15/2025 |
| Melisa Nickson | Date: |
| Witness | |
| MELISA DICKSON | |

Print Name

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| ATTEST: | BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA |
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| GRANT MALOY | By: JAY ZEMBOWER, Chairman |
| Clerk to the Board of | , |
| County Commissioners of | |
| Seminole County, Florida. | Date: |
| For the use and reliance of | As authorized for execution by the Board of |
| Seminole County only. | County Commissioners at its, |
| | 2025, regular meeting. |
| Approved as to form and legal sufficiency. | |
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| County Attorney | _ |