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ANIMAL CARE and ADOPTION DIVISION
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ACAD Service Animal Statement Form

Florida Statute 413.08 1(d) states, “**Service animal**” means an animal that is trained to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. The work done or tasks performed must be directly related to the individual’s disability and may include, but are not limited to, guiding an individual who is visually impaired or blind, alerting an individual who is deaf or hard of hearing, pulling a wheelchair, assisting with mobility or balance, alerting and protecting an individual who is having a seizure, retrieving objects, alerting an individual to the presence of allergens, providing physical support and assistance with balance and stability to an individual with a mobility disability, helping an individual with a psychiatric or neurological disability by preventing or interrupting impulsive or destructive behaviors, reminding an individual with mental illness to take prescribed medications, calming an individual with posttraumatic stress disorder during an anxiety attack, or doing other specific work or performing other special tasks. A service animal is not a pet. For purposes of subsections (2), (3), and (4), the term “service animal” is limited to a dog or miniature horse. The crime-deterrent effect of an animal’s presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for purposes of this definition.

Florida Statute 413.08(9) states, (9) A person who knowingly and willfully misrepresents herself or himself, through conduct or verbal or written notice, as using a service animal and being qualified to use a service animal or as a trainer of a service animal commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#) and must perform 30 hours of community service for an organization that serves individuals with disabilities, or for another entity or organization at the discretion of the court, to be completed in not more than 6 months.

Please answer the following two questions:

1. Is the dog a service animal required because of a disability? _____
2. What work or task has the dog been trained to perform? _____

Service Animal Name _____
 Rabies Certification # _____
 Pet Tag Number _____

I, _____ acknowledge based upon the above Florida Statute that my dog is a Service Animal under one of the applicable disabilities as stated and acknowledge the penalties above otherwise.

Signature _____

Date _____