

## Agreement of Commitment

### Pledge of Parenting

I am aware of the deep commitment, constant energy, genuine patience and true love required to raise a child. As such, I promise to:

- Provide my child with a loving and supportive home with a dedication to helping the child achieve her full potential
- Offer my child stability in her daily life; love to nurture her faith in her abilities, and devotion through the ups and downs in her journey through childhood
- Respect and encourage my child to develop her intellectual abilities through education, broaden her spiritual and world views through exploration and challenge her physical and artistic abilities through enrichment
- Honor and celebrate her unique ethnicity through discovery of her heritage
- Be mindful of the special challenges and unique needs presented through special needs adoption
- Seek support from family, friends and other adoptive parents and solicit professional assistance and advice when appropriate.

I am deeply honored to parent my beautiful and unique child and promise to devote my heart and home to making my child's life full of joy, love, and happiness.

### Pledge of Partnership

I am aware that my acceptance of the financial grant requires a pledge of partnership through Planned Events which serve to promote the cause of **Brittany's Hope Foundation**. I am aware that it is only through the hard work of committed and dedicated people such as myself or the volunteers serving on the Board of Directors that the mission of **Brittany's Hope Foundation** will be realized.

I understand that **Brittany's Hope** Planned Events are commensurate according to the level of the grant. My partnership service includes **(X)** Planned Events and also **four requirements (six if my child received a corporate sponsor grant)** by us, my family or friends in support of **Brittany's Hope Foundation**. This partnership service will be completed **no later than three years** after the placement date and can begin prior to my child coming home. I also agree that should I fail to complete my (X) Planned Events, I will repay the grant in full to Brittany's Hope Foundation. In the case where a portion of the (X) Planned Events have been completed, Brittany's Hope agrees to prorate the grant repayment fee based on the completed Planned Events.

All partnership service will be listed on an Event Plan Proposal. Planned Events must be cleared through the Recipient Family Coordinator to determine the following:

- ✓ Planned Event is approved by our office.
- ✓ The verification method to be used to determine that the Planned Event was followed through and completed.

#### **Requirements:**

- ✓ The **requirement** of filling out an Event Plan Proposal prior to the grant money being released.
- ✓ The **requirement** of notifying the Recipient Family Coordinator **within two weeks** that my child has arrived home. See enclosed sheet for the Recipient Family Coordinator contact information.
- ✓ The **requirement** of sending a heartfelt letter regarding my adoption **within six weeks** of my child arriving home.

- ✓ The ***requirement*** of an 8X10 professional quality photo for the **Brittany's Hope Office**
- ✓ **within six weeks** of my child arriving home.

## Corporate Donor Requirements

- ✓ If my child was a corporate grant recipient a thank you letter must be sent to them as well. I understand that if my child is old enough and has the ability (age and language skills), a letter written by my child is preferred. Be specific in letting sponsors know the conditions they lived in and how their life has been changed as a result of the corporate sponsor's donation.
- ✓ If my child was a recipient of a corporate grant, an 8x10 professional quality photo and some candid pictures will be sent with my letter of appreciation to the **Brittany's Hope office** to be forwarded to the corporate sponsor, in addition to the 8x10 photo required for **Brittany's Hope office**. This must be completed **within six weeks** of my child arriving home. This requirement is explained further in the **Publicity Pledge**.
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**Pledge of Publicity**

I agree to furnish an 8X10 professional quality photograph of my granted child and will accommodate reasonable requests of photographs and video tapes for publicity in an effort to facilitate growth of **Brittany's Hope Foundation**. I understand that the photographs may be used for up to 5 years from the time of adoption, and in exchange **Brittany's Hope Foundation** promises to be respectful and considerate in the use of the photographs and will seek a signed release for each *new* photograph in each occurrence. I am aware that **Brittany's Hope Foundation** may request occasional publicity photographs and interviews and that in the case of a corporate sponsorship, I will be required to facilitate a photograph of my child with the corporate sponsor at **Brittany's Hope Foundation's** expense. **Brittany's Hope Foundation** promises to be courteous and obliging to both the adoptive parents and the sponsor's needs and expectations.

I agree to write a letter of appreciation and send an 8x10 professional quality photograph to Brittany's Hope office to be forwarded to the corporate sponsor, in addition to the 8x10 photo required for Brittany's Hope office. I agree to the above **Pledges of Parenting, Publicity, and Partnership** and as such promise to abide by my Pledges to the fullest of my abilities.

**Miscellaneous Provisions**

This agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and any actions brought under this agreement or as a result of any dealings between us and Brittany's Hope must be brought in the Court of Common Pleas, Lancaster

County, Pennsylvania.  
BRITTANY'S HOPE FOUNDATION  
1160 North Market Street  
Elizabethtown, PA. 17022

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Candace L. Abel  
Director/President

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Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's name/Adoptive Mother  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Pledge of Grant and Enforcement Of This Agreement**

**Brittany's Hope Foundation** agrees to pay the sum of **\$X,XXX.XX** directly to the agency of **(Name of Agency)** located at **(Address of Agency)** for the child known as **(child's name)**. The full sum of the grant will released upon the approval of **(X) Event Plan Proposals** with **Brittany's Hope**. The grant may be used only for the child recipient named above and no other child may be substituted as the recipient. If the adoption process should disrupt for any reason regarding placement of the child in the recipient's home, this pledge becomes null and void and the grant money shall be returned to **Brittany's Hope Foundation**.

**(Family)** agrees to complete **(X) Planned Events** in exchange for the grant money, and should she fail to complete them in the allotted time of 3 years post adoption will repay the above said grant in full to Brittany's Hope Foundation. In the case that a portion of the **(X) Planned Events** have been completed, Brittany's Hope agrees to prorate the grant repayment fee based on the completed **Planned Events**. In the event the grant is not repaid and Brittany's Hope chooses to commence collection efforts or suit to collect any such sums or enforce any provision of this agreement, **(Family)** agrees to pay for all costs incurred by Brittany's Hope in prosecution or defense of such suit or incurred by Brittany's Hope in its collection or enforcement efforts, including but not limited to collection fees, attorney's fees, costs and any other fees reasonable or necessary for such collection, defense or enforcement efforts.

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**Agreement of Understanding of Liability**

It is my understanding that **Brittany's Hope Foundation** has no responsibility in the identification of or placement of any child, which I may receive through the benefit of this grant application. As such, **Brittany's Hope Foundation** is not responsible for any matters relating to said placement. Furthermore, I understand and acknowledge that **Brittany's Hope Foundation** has no direct connection with the Agency used for the placement of the child and is merely functioning as a grant donor to allow us the opportunity to receive financial aid to complete my placement through the independent agency. As such, and fully understanding this, I have agreed I shall not in any way hold **Brittany's Hope Foundation** responsible or liable for any claims or demands or injury for any losses or liabilities resulting from this placement and further agree that I shall defend, indemnify and hold **Brittany's Hope Foundation** harmless from and against all damages, losses, liabilities and claims against them caused or arising out of the placement of this child with us through the independent Agency from whom I receive said child.

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