

**PART 2: (INFORMATION THAT WILL BE SHARED WITH THE PUBLIC)**

Applicant Name: Dr. Teresa T. Plummer

Area of residence (i.e. Clintonville, Short North, Worthington, etc.): Lewis Center

1. Why are you interested in serving on the Board of Directors for Cat Welfare?

I am about to enter a new phase of life – retirement. I don't want to retire "from" something; I want to retire "to" something. Cats have been part of life since I was an infant. They give me joy, and I would love to return that joy to them by devoting myself to making their lives better. With retirement, I anticipate having a great deal of free time. Please allow me to serve the cats.

2. Do you understand and support Cat Welfare's mission and overall policies and practices? Yes.

3. Do you understand and embrace the limited intake policy? Yes, I understand and embrace the limited intake policy.

4. What are your areas of expertise that could benefit Cat Welfare? Perhaps my greatest expertise is not really an expertise at all. The most unique attribute I have is the contacts I possess. I believe I would be an asset to Cat Welfare by making connections with organizations and people who could assist with projects through monetary contributions or physical assistance.

5. Please rank your interest in order of preference ( 1 = High Interest; 6 = Low Interest)

Building and Grounds = 6	Finance = 5
Fundraising /Special Events = 2	Personnel = 4
Public Relations/Marketing = 3	Spay/Neuter = 1

6. Have you served on a nonprofit Board? If yes, please indicate the organization(s) and approximate dates.

Yes, I served for approximately eight years on the Board of Trustees for Goodwill Industries of Marion Ohio. This Goodwill serves a five county area: Marion, Morrow, Delaware, Union, and Crawford. My membership years were from approximately 2005 – 2013. The only reason I am not continuing to serve is because the organization's by-laws limit terms for board members. Please feel free to contact Robert Jordan, President & CEO of Marion Goodwill Industries for a reference. Phone: 740-387-7023

7. Please describe your involvement with Cat Welfare (Volunteer? Donor? Friend of Cat Welfare?) Please be as specific as possible. I have been a life member of Cat Welfare for over 10 years. My husband and I donate to several of the funds. We have also supported cages. We visit Cat Welfare on a regular basis to help with socialization and cleaning. Each time we come, we bring a trunk full of donations with us. Honestly, my husband is better at jumping in and knowing what needs to be done. For example, he is far

better at cleaning than I am. I usually become enamored with a kitty and all of my efforts are focused on that kitty. Darin, my husband, is the person cleaning and stocking and doing everything he can – and he still finds time to play with the kitties. I have a strength that has not been utilized yet (perhaps it isn't needed). I tend to be very, very efficient with office work. I am certified as a Microsoft Master Instructor for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. I think I would be a huge asset in the office.

8. Do you have any other current volunteer commitments? If yes, please explain. No - i am doing no other volunteer work at this time. My work schedule is very flexible, and I plan to retire from fulltime employment in August of this year.
  
9. Are you interested in volunteering in positions other than Board membership? If so, please indicate the type of activities or other areas of interest. Although I would truly love to serve on the Board of Directors, I am willing to do anything. Knowing myself as I do, the "best" job for me is one where I treat the volunteer work as a real job. (Does that make sense?) My greatest criticism of myself is that I am not someone who instinctively knows what needs to be done and how to do it. I take my cues from others. If you tell me what needs to be done, I will do it, and I will put my heart and soul into it. My problem lies in sometimes being unable to fully see how I can be the most helpful. If I am not the best choice for the Board of Directors, then I am happy with that decision and will appreciate the chance to run for office. This will not deter me from continuing to serve the cats. Just give me an unpaid job, and let me go at it!

Thank you for your consideration. Cat Welfare has an amazing reputation throughout central Ohio, and I am proud to associate myself with such a wonderful organization.