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COUNTY OF _____)

I, _____, DVM, state and aver as follows:

1. I am a veterinarian licensed in the State of _____, with a primary place of business located at: _____.
 2. I reside at: _____.
 3. I submit this Affidavit in support of the application of _____ (the **Applicant**) for Minnesota state licensure as a veterinary technician.
 4. I have known the Applicant for _____ years.
 5. To the best of my knowledge, the Applicant has acquired more than 4160 hours working as a veterinary technician over the last 5 years. Under my supervision, the Applicant has logged approximately _____ hours over the following range _____.
 6. In addition, I have personal knowledge of, and can attest to the Applicant's following competencies (as indicated by my mark). I do not have personal knowledge of any topic that remains unmarked.

A. Communication with Clients/Medical Record Keeping – The applicant can establish effective communication with the client to obtain pertinent patient information. The applicant can instruct clients with home care to promote health and safety of both the patient and the client. The applicant can supervise non-licensed staff members and perform delegated duties without direct supervision.

- Acquire patient history
 - Maintain medical records

B. Animal Behavior – The applicant has knowledge of normal behavior of animals and can recognize abnormal behavior to provide for the safety and well-being of the patient and personnel and to foster the human-animal bond.

- Possesses knowledge, skill, and ability to recognize normal vs. abnormal behavior

C. Patient Examinations – the applicant has the knowledge of basic parameters of animal health and can recognize variations from normal.

- Determine normal parameters
- Auscultate using a stethoscope

D. Emergency Procedures – The applicant can recognize emergency situations and has a basic understanding of emergency treatment protocols.

- Recognize emergencies
- Perform or assist in cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- Place intravenous catheter
- Apply temporary bandages
- Institute hemostasis

E. Laboratory Procedures – The applicant can collect and prepare specimens and samples for diagnostic evaluation, can perform basic diagnostic tests, and maintain laboratory equipment.

- Collect, prepare, submit, label specimens for diagnostic evaluations including hematology, cytology, urinalysis, microbiology, and blood chemistry
- Perform Complete Blood Count including morphology, urinalysis, fecal evaluations of endoparasites, and standard test for heartworm disease

F. Diagnostic Imaging – The applicant can produce diagnostic radiographs and other electronic images with acceptable safety protocols and patient positioning.

- Produce diagnostic radiographs and other images
- Implement acceptable safety protocols

G. Animal Nursing – The applicant can perform basic nursing skills as needed for the health and safety of the patient and manage hospitalized patients to optimize care.

- Restrain patients
- Administer oral and parenteral medications
- Apply and maintain bandages

- Demonstrates understanding of principles of splints and casts
- Provide for the physical and psychological needs of the patient

H. Nutrition – The applicant has knowledge of the nutritional requirements of the patient.

- Feed patients according to nutritional requirements
- Assist in counseling clients regarding animal nutrition

I. Surgical Assisting – The applicant can prepare and maintain the surgical environment in order to ensure asepsis and personnel safety. The applicant can assist in and has knowledge of specific tasks related to procedures.

- Implement aseptic techniques in preparation of instruments, patient, and self when acting as surgical assistant
- Function as a surgical technician and a circulating technician to meet the needs of the surgical team and procedures

J. Anesthesia – The applicant can assist in administering and monitoring anesthesia to facilitate pain-free diagnostic, treatment, and surgical procedures.

- Demonstrates knowledge of anesthesia procedures and associated risks
- Monitor patients under general anesthesia including use of monitoring equipment
- Perform endotracheal intubation in appropriate species
- Demonstrates and utilizes safety protocols for patients and personnel
- Assess patient need for analgesia and implement pain management plan
- Calculate anesthesia, reversal, and emergency drug dosages

K. Dentistry – The applicant has knowledge of proper dental techniques to maintain patient oral health and personnel safety.

- Gather data to assess dental health
- Perform dental prophylaxis

L. Pharmacy and Pharmacology – The applicant can handle pharmacological and biological agents to ensure the safety of the patient, client, and personnel as well as the efficacy of the product.

- Calculate dosages and fluid therapy rate
- Prepare and dispense medication
- Recognize drug classifications

- Recognize adverse drug reactions
- Demonstrate knowledge of safe handling and disposal of biohazardous materials

7. In addition to the competencies above-indicated, I have personally observed the Applicant to be a person of good moral character who demonstrates an unwavering commitment to high ethical standards of veterinary medicine.

8. The preceding statements are all true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Affiant Signature

[Type Affiant's Name]

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this
____ day of _____, 20____ by

a person known to me or whose identity I have
verified.

Notary Public
My commission expires:

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