

Dear Tenant,

In order for the Gastonia Housing Authority (GHA) to inspect your home, you or an adult family member must be present at the time of the inspection. If you miss an inspection appointment you are in danger of losing your housing assistance. You can avoid this potential problem by signing and submitting the form below. Please read all forms carefully before you sign.

## THE GASTONIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

### Consent to Inspect and Indemnification Agreement

**I. Purpose and Definitions**

Pursuant to the Gastonia Housing Authority's legal obligation to provide Section 8 housing in accordance with applicable housing quality standards under 24 C.F.R. 982, the following agreement is entered voluntarily by the Gastonia Housing Authority, \_\_\_\_\_, as tenant and Section 8 recipient (tenant), and \_\_\_\_\_, as property owner and landlord of property located at \_\_\_\_\_.

**II. Consent to Enter and Inspect**

To facilitate the Gastonia Housing Authority's obligations relating to the provision of Section 8 housing, and in consideration of its payment of the tenant's rent obligation as determined under the appropriate calculations, the undersigned tenant hereby authorizes the Gastonia Housing Authority to enter the occupied premises as needed for the purpose of conducting either routine or follow-up inspections to assure that the housing meets housing quality standards. The Housing Authority may enter all closets, bathrooms, and other confined spaces, and open cabinets and fixtures in order to complete this inspection. The undersigned tenant further agrees to hold the Gastonia Housing Authority harmless from any claims incurred during the ordinary course of an inspection.

**III. Agreement to Indemnify**

The undersigned owner agrees to make all housing leased under Section 8 available for inspection and assist agents of the Gastonia Housing Authority in accessing all areas required to be inspected. The undersigned owner further agrees to hold the Gastonia Housing Authority harmless from any claims incurred during the ordinary course of an inspection, and to indemnify the Gastonia Housing Authority from liability arising from all such claims.

**IV. Obligations of the Housing Authority**

The Gastonia Housing Authority agrees that at least 72 hours prior to the inspection, the Housing Authority shall provide written notice to both the tenant and owner of the date and approximate time of the inspection and offer each the opportunity to be present. The same standards for time and manner apply to follow up inspections.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Tenant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Landlord

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
GHA Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date