

STATEMENT OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1) I have the right to be represented by an **attorney** even if I intend to plead guilty. I have the right to **appointed counsel** (provided at no cost to me) if I cannot afford my own attorney and my case is one in which jail time can be imposed. The right to appointed counsel **DOES NOT** apply to a **minor traffic violation for which this court does not impose jail time**. I have the right to a continuance or a reasonable delay in the case in order to get an attorney.

2) I have the right to a **jury trial** in serious offenses. I have a right to a jury trial for a petty offense if my case is one in which jail time can be imposed., if I make a written jury demand at least 10 days before trial or 3 days after getting notice of the trial date, whichever is later. My right to a jury trial in serious offenses can only be waived in writing.

3) A plea of **GUILTY** is a complete admission of guilt. A plea of **NO CONTEST** is not an admission of guilt but an admission that the facts contained in the complaint are true. A plea of no contest cannot be used against me in another proceeding. A plea of **NOT GUILTY** is a complete denial of guilt.

4) If I plead **Guilty or No Contest** to a charge **I give up my right** to the following: a) to a trial; b) to a trial by jury—per #2 above; c) to call witnesses; d) to compel or require witnesses to appear on my behalf; e) to confront prosecution witnesses; and, f) to require the City or State to prove the charges against me beyond a reasonable doubt.

5) I have the right **NOT** to testify on my own behalf at trial and that fact that I do not testify cannot be held against me.

6) I have the right to bail for allailable offenses.

7) I have the **right to remain silent** at any point in the proceedings as anything I say may be used against me.

8) If I am **NOT A CITIZEN** of the United States and I plead guilty or no contest to a criminal charge, I may be subject to deportation, exclusion from admission to the United States or denial of naturalization pursuant to the laws of the United States.

9) In traffic cases, the court must report a conviction of a moving violation to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles and points may be charged against my license as a result.

I hereby state that I have read and understand the above information.

Ticket Number _____

Date _____

Defendant _____

Signature