



## SAMPLE BEQUEST WORDING

### Including The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center in Your Will or Trust

The following includes several examples of suggested bequest wording to benefit The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center. **Each individual situation is unique and, therefore, these examples include only some of the possible gift opportunities. We encourage you to consult with your independent financial, tax, or legal adviser for specific help with your situation, as BRWC does not provide financial, tax, or legal advice.** Sharing your final will provision with The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center will ensure that your wishes will be properly followed and recognized.

### Designating the purpose of a bequest:

**Unrestricted:** The most useful type of bequest is unrestricted, allowing the funds to be allocated by The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center wherever the need is greatest.

**Restricted:** You may designate your bequest to support a special program or purpose that reflects your personal or professional interest. If the bequest is restricted to a specific purpose, it is important that the following wording be added at the end of the provision. This will ensure that, in the remote possibility a specified purpose may cease to need funds in the future, an alternate use for the bequest may be determined.

*"For so long as the Board of Directors of The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center determines that the need exists. Should the need no longer exist, said Board of Directors may, in its sole discretion, direct the use of my bequest for a purpose related as closely as possible to that stated above."*

### Wording Examples:

#### Percentage of estate for unrestricted purposes.

I give, devise, and bequeath to The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center, a charitable organization organized under Virginia law, Tax ID #54-1996991, now maintaining its headquarters in Boyce, Virginia, \_\_\_\_\_percent (%) of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate as an unrestricted gift to be used at the discretion of the Board of Directors of The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center for the general purposes of The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center.

#### Specific amount for specific purposes

I give and bequeath to The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center, a charitable organization organized under Virginia law, Tax ID #54-1996991, now maintaining its headquarters in Boyce, Virginia, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in cash or in-kind (or \_\_\_\_\_ shares of stock) to be used for \_\_\_\_\_ at The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center. If changed circumstances should at some future time make it impractical to continue using the income from the Fund for the purpose designated, then The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center Board of Directors may re-designate the purpose to adhere as closely as possible to my original intent.

**Specific amount for unrestricted purposes**

I give and bequeath to The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center, a charitable organization organized under Virginia law, Tax ID #54-1996991, now maintaining its headquarters in Boyce, Virginia, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in cash or in-kind (or \_\_\_\_\_ shares of stock), to be used at the discretion of The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center Board of Directors for the general purposes of The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center.

**Beneficiaries:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Contingent bequest**

If the above-named beneficiaries should predecease me, I give, bequeath, and devise all the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate to The Blue Ridge Wildlife Center, a charitable organization organized under Virginia law, Tax ID #54-1996991, now maintaining its headquarters in Boyce, Virginia.