

# THE KENNETH A. PICERNE FOUNDATION

## RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I on behalf of myself, my child, my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and/or assigns, as a condition of receiving financial support from the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation (Foundation) for my child to attend an Earthwatch Expedition, waive all claims for any personal injury, death, loss of health, financial loss or damage to property occurring during, or as the result of my child’s participation in the Global Sustainability Project, a program of the Foundation. Furthermore, I indemnify, hold harmless and affirmatively release the Foundation, its program staff and their affiliates, principals, employees and/or agents for any such loss, damage, injury or liabilities. This release of liability includes any claims made against the Foundation related to my child’s participation in local activities related to the Global Sustainability Project. In addition, this release of liability includes any claims made against the Foundation related to my child’s participation in the Earthwatch Expedition, Conserving Endangered Rhinos in South Africa. I understand risks are associated with international travel and the Earthwatch Expedition that are not found in our local community and Edison High School (EHS). I waive all claims against the Foundation as described above without limitation fully acknowledging that:

- a. my child will be traveling under the supervision of an EHS staff person and the Earthwatch Expedition Team;
- b. I have read and understand The Earthwatch Expedition Briefing – including sections describing project conditions, potential hazards, health information, emergencies in the field and participant rights & responsibilities;
- c. I have read and understand the Earthwatch Participation Form: Teen – including the section that states risks associated with the South Africa expedition “can, in extreme and unlikely circumstances, cause or lead to death, injury, illness, property damage, mental or emotional trauma, or disability”;
- d. I understand different standards exist when traveling internationally for medical practices, access to medical facilities, and condition of medical facilities; and that expedition activity may take place several hours or days from any medical facility where communication, transportation or evacuation is subject to delay;
- e. risks associated with natural hazards, disease, illness, injury, and crime when traveling internationally differ from the United States;
- f. risks of international travel include different safety practices, standards of design and maintenance of buildings, public places, transportation and conveyances;
- g. risks may exist in international travel because of political, legal, social and economic conditions;
- h. the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation, Global Sustainability Project is not providing, care, supervision or oversight of my child while he/she is participating in the Earthwatch Expedition, Conserving Endangered Rhinos in South Africa.

Agreed to and accepted:

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Student Signature and Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

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