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Acknowledgement of Risks and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

I acknowledge that on or about March 11, 2020, Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has stated that "the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus."

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/prevention.html>

I am aware of the contagious nature of COVID-19 and have knowingly and voluntarily chosen to participate in St. Johns County programs administered by the St. Johns County Public Library System ("SJCLPS").

I understand that St. Johns County employees and volunteers come into contact with multiple individuals, and might become exposed to COVID-19. I also acknowledge that although SJCLPS takes precautions to reduce the likelihood of transmission of COVID-19 by its employees, SJCLPS cannot guarantee that I will not become infected with COVID-19.

I understand that by choosing to participate in programs administered by SJCLPS, I am exposing myself to the risk of becoming infected with COVID-19, which may result in serious personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 may result from actions, negligence, and failures to act of myself and others, including, but not limited to, SJCLPS employees and volunteers, and other program participants and events.

I agree to assume all of the foregoing risks, and accept personal responsibility for any injury to myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability or expense, of any kind or nature, that I may suffer arising out of or in connection with me becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 while participating in any SJCLPS program. On my own behalf, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, and forever discharge the St. Johns County, its officers, employees, agents, and representative, of and from all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any nature ("Claims") arising out of or in any way connected with myself becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19. I understand that this release includes any claims based on the negligence, action, or inaction of any of St. Johns County, its officers, employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, and covers bodily injury (including death) due to COVID-19, whether that COVID-19 infection occurs before, during or after participation in any SJCLPS program.