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Assumption of Risk

I acknowledge that the enjoyment of outdoor activities is derived in part from the inherent risks incurred by this activity beyond the accepted safety of life at home, school or work. These inherent risks contribute to such enjoyment and excitement and are a reason for my participation. I am solely responsible for deciding to participate and continue in this program. I understand and accept that outdoor activities involve dangers and risks which may include, but are not limited to, the following: the hazards of traveling in a canoe or kayak in any water conditions, including swimming in unfamiliar, turbulent water; water hazards including boulders, trees and other obstacles, reversals and other water formations; natural formations encountered while outdoors and man made objects including but not limited to ropes, bridge pilings and junk; the hazards of transporting canoes, kayaks, and other outdoor equipment; using paddles, ropes, and other outdoor equipment; rescue attempts; hiking or walking on rugged terrain, including slippery rocks; injuries inflicted by animals, insects or plants; accidents or illness in remote places without medical facilities; the forces of nature including lightning, weather changes, river level changes, and others not named; the physical exertion associated with paddling and carrying equipment on land;

I assume these risks and understand my responsibility in decision making.

In consideration of Umiak furnishing services and equipment to enable me to participate in this sport in which I may not be skilled, I hereby assume all risk of injury or loss of life to myself, and loss of or damage to property arising out of my participation in such a sport, including hazards associated with any defect in a manufacturer's product. I specifically release Umiak from any and all liability, including negligence (active or passive), as to any right of action or claim to relief that may accrue either to me or to my heirs or personal representatives for any such injury, loss of life, or loss of or damage to property which I may suffer while participating in such recreational activity, including activities preliminary and subsequent thereto.

I further hold Umiak harmless from any and all liability, actions, causes of actions, debt claims and demands of every kind and nature whatsoever which I now have or which may arise from or in connection with my participation in any other activity related thereto. In the event of litigation, attorney's fees and costs shall be rewarded to the prevailing party.

I further understand Umiak carries no medical insurance for the protection of participants in outdoor activities, and any insurance coverage existing with respect to Umiak shall not alter the terms of this waiver nor impose any liability on Umiak.

I have carefully read this agreement and fully understand its contents. I am aware that this is a release of liability and I sign it of my own free will.

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Printed name Date

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Participant's Signature Date