AFFIDAVIT OF RELIGIOUS OBJECTION TO IMMUNIZATION

_____ personally appeared before the undersigned notary public and swore or affirmed as follows:

- 1. I am the parent or legal guardian of ______ (name of minor child).
- 2. I understand that the Georgia Department of Public Health requires children to obtain the following vaccinations before being admitted to a childcare facility or school: diphtheria; haemophilus influenzae type B (not required on or after the fifth birthday); hepatitis A; hepatitis B; measles; meningitis; mumps; pertussis (whooping cough); pneumococcal (not required on or after the fifth birthday); poliomyelitis; rubella (German measles); tetanus; and varicella (chickenpox).
- 3. I understand that the Georgia Department of Public Health has determined that these vaccinations are necessary to prevent the spread of dangerous diseases among the children and people of this State; that the required vaccinations are safe; that a child who does not receive these vaccinations is at risk of contracting those diseases; and that a child who does not receive those vaccinations is at risk of spreading those diseases to me, to other children in the childcare facility or school, and to other persons.
- 4. I sincerely affirm that vaccination is contrary to my religious beliefs, and that my objections to vaccination are not based solely on grounds of personal philosophy or inconvenience.
- 5. I understand that, notwithstanding my religious objections, my child may be excluded from childcare facilities or schools during an epidemic or threatened epidemic of any disease preventable by a vaccination required by the Georgia Department of Public Health, and that my child may be required to receive a vaccination in the event that such a disease is in epidemic stages.

This _____ day of ______, 20____.

Parent or Legal Guardian (Printed)

Parent or Legal Guardian (Signature)

Name of Child/Student (Printed)

Sworn and subscribed before me this ____ day of _____, 20___.

Notary Public My commission expires _____



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