WORLD YOUTH DAY 2015

CHAPERONE/PARENT GUIDELINES AND AGREEMENT

World Youth Day 2015 will be a joyous gathering of Catholic youth from around the world to learn, to worship, to celebrate the Sacraments, to share the beauty of the Catholic faith, and to encounter the Holy Father, Pope Francis, as he presides over this wonderful international gathering. It will be an experience that no attendee shall ever forget. The Diocese of Sacramento is committed to ensuring that all participants enjoy the spiritual benefits associated with participation in World Youth Day 2015. The highest priority must be, however, to make certain that our young people are safe at all times and that every effort be taken to ensure that all of our young people are carefully supervised during the event.

To this end, the following rules have been put in place by the Bishop of Sacramento to advance the interests of youth protection and safety.

- 1. All adults designated as chaperones shall submit to a LiveScan background check conducted through the Diocese's Office of Youth Protection. Based upon the results of the background check, the Safe Environment Office shall clear, or disqualify, each person requesting to serve as a chaperone. Any person disqualified by the Safe Environment Office may not participate in World Youth Day in any capacity.
- 2. Any minor that is not being accompanied by his or her parent shall at all times be under the direct personal supervision of at least two (2) designated chaperones, who will be assigned in advance as that minor's supervisors. No minor shall be permitted to be alone with any other minor or adult unless both supervising chaperones are also present and supervising the minor at all times.
- 3. Each chaperone shall be responsible for ensuring proper, continuous supervision of the unaccompanied minors entrusted to his or her care. Prior to departing to World Youth Day, all participants will be provided a copy of the rules and regulations governing the trip and

the event. Chaperones are responsible for ensuring that the minors entrusted to their supervision fully comply with all such rules and regulations. Any violations of the rules or regulations shall be immediately reported to the supervising clergy accompanying the group.

- 4. Parents accompanying their own children shall ensure that at least one of each child's parent remains at all times with their child (or children, if more than one child from a family is attending with his or her parents) and is actively supervising them. Prior to departing to World Youth Day, all parents accompanying their children will be provided a copy of the rules and regulations governing the trip and the event. Parents agree to review the rules and regulations with their children prior to departure and shall be responsible for ensuring that both they and their children fully comply with all such rules and regulations.
- 5. Parents agree to cooperate fully with the trip organizers and supervising clergy. They further agree to notify the designated supervisors in the event they observe anything unusual or out of the ordinary involving the young people on the trip, the adults accompanying them, or violations regarding the rules and regulations.

I have read the foregoing Guidelines and Agreement and agree to the terms and conditions set forth in it.

Executed this	_ day of, 2015, at	
California.		
	Parent/Chaperone Signature	
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