Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation (INHF) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, INHF cannot guarantee that you will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending any event with INHF could increase your risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge that I am not experiencing any sickness, nor have I in the past week, furthermore, come into contact with any person known to have been sick or known to have contracted Covid-19. I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending an INHF event and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at an INHF event may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, INHF staff, volunteers, and other participants.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole 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, that I may experience or incur in connection with my attendance at the INHF event or participation in any activity. On my behalf, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless INHF, its staff, and other participants, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of INHF, its staff, and other participants, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any INHF event.

Signature

Date

Print Name