## Tech+Equation, Inc. (hereinafter "TECH EQUATION INC") GENERAL COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT made at Merced, California, by and BETWEEN

(1) \_\_\_\_\_\_ AND (2) <u>TECH EQUATION INC</u>, and hereinafter sometimes *Full Name* 

referred to as the "Parties" or "Party" individually.

The Parties are about to develop, in collaboration, community operations, initially *based* upon the collective interests in and about the local communities of Merced County, California, hereinafter referred to as the "Project", and are desirous of establishing all their rights and obligations in and to said Partnership.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the execution of this Agreement, and the undertakings of the Parties as hereinafter set forth, it is agreed as follows:

1. The Parties shall keep the best interests of all entities in mind throughout the project, and, if necessary, this agreement will be revisited and revised/updated later.

2. It is understood that \_\_\_\_\_\_ is an individual, and *Full Name* 

TECH EQUATION INC is a business as provided under the Law of the State of California, (CIVIL CODE, SECTION 1798.80-1798.84).

3. It is understood that the collaboration between Parties is intended to improve the quality of each individual entity regarding fundraising, integrity, professionalism, publicizing, support, and transparency more so than if they were to exist on their own.

4. It is understood that the parties work together to build and establish STEM learning venues; language and strategies delineated later and in writing. STEM means Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics. This will include but is not limited to terms as listed below:

- STEM Ready
- Tech Ready
- Career Ready
- STEM + AG
- STEM + Technology
- STEM + ...
- Tech + ...

5. It is understood that the Parties work together to build and install internship programs for public school and undergraduate students in various communities; language and strategies delineated later and in writing.

6. It is understood that travel costs, equipment rental/purchase, skillsets, and footage (including interviews) can be shared on the contingency that explicit permission is granted in writing and agreed upon by all Parties.

7. It is understood that individual members wishing to work with either or all Parties are free to do so, if there is no conflict of interests between the individual's work with a collaborating Party's organizations and all Parties are aware that the individual is affiliated with multiple organizations within the collaboration. Team members wishing to work with multiple party organizations shall be required to sign a separate contract for each Party organization.

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8. It is understood that conflicts between Parties will be discussed and resolved immediately (or as quickly as possible), with the presence of a mediator (i.e., an individual, or group of individuals, with no conflict of interest).

9. It is understood that if either Party wishes to dissolve the Partnership, a 30-day grace period will be given to permit full discussion and equal agreement between parties.

10. If prior to the completion of the Partnership, either Party shall voluntarily withdraw from the collaboration, then the other Party shall have the right to complete the Project alone or in conjunction with another collaborator or collaborators, and in such an event the best interests, as hereinbefore provided in paragraph 1, shall be revised by mutual agreement in writing.

11. If prior to the completion of the Project, there shall be an unresolvable dispute of any kind with respect to the Project, then the Parties may terminate this Collaboration Agreement in writing.

12. Neither Party shall sell, or otherwise voluntarily dispose of the Project, nor his/her share therein, without the written consent of the other Parties, which consent, however, shall not be unreasonably withheld.

13. If either Party hereto shall desire to use the Work or any right therein or with respect thereto, in any venture in which such Party shall have a financial interest, whether direct or indirect, the Party desiring so to do shall notify the other Party of that fact and shall afford such other Party the opportunity to participate in the venture in the proportion of such other Party's interest in the Work.

14. This Agreement shall be executed in a sufficient number of copies so that one fully executed copy may be, and shall be, delivered to each Party upon request.

15. If any dispute shall arise concerning the interpretation or application of this Agreement, or the rights or liabilities of the Parties arising hereunder, that are not provided for in Paragraphs 8, 9, 10, and 11 such dispute shall be submitted to an agreed upon arbitrator for arbitration in accordance with the arbitration procedures of the State of California, and the determination of the arbitrator as to all such matters shall be conclusive and binding upon the Parties (CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, SECTION 1282-1284.3).

DATED this	day of		, 2025.	EXECUTED as a	sealed
instrument as of the day an	nd year first set forth above.	Month			

(1) <i>Full</i> Name:	and (2) Name: By:	TECH EQUATION INC Theo Crouch, II	
SIGN:	Sign: Title:	CEO	_
Cell Phone #: ( )			

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