PRAECEPTUS LIBERTATEM AND ARTICLES AND AFFIDAVIT OF FAITH OF THE ASATRU RUNIC CONSERVATORY An ASATRU Religious/Spiritual Organization and A Registered Wyoming Faith-Based Non-Profit Corporation Sole exempt pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 508(c)(1)(A)

We, the A.R.C. do hereby accept the following pledge from our new Member that they do hereby adopt the following precepts of liberty, faith, and belief of their own free will and by thoughtful reflection and contractual assent. As a Member of A.R.C. you, being of sound mind, the legal age of majority, and competent to testify to the accuracy of this Affidavit of Faith, hereby certify that all claimed beliefs and articles of faith stated and expressed herein are true and correct to the best of your personal knowledge and that you have taken these beliefs into your heart, hearth and home as a matter of religious and/or spiritual faith.

You further certify that this Affidavit is made pursuant to the pains of penalty for perjury as contained in 28 U.S.C. § 1746 and the laws of the States of Washington, Wyoming, or your professed state of residence and further aver that they are made under sworn and sacred oath to Odin the All-Father and upon penalty of Excommunication, Banishment, Impoverishment, Declaration of Outlawry, and possibly Imprisonment, Dismemberment or Death (The Norns can be unrelenting toward oath-breakers).

ASATRU and specifically the A.R.C. is a polytheistic faith based on pragmatism and the absolute sovereignty of the individual. We believe more in "Order" and "Chaos" than we do in "Good or "Evil." As a general matter we believe that truth, both personal and group truths, are a matter of perspective and that sometimes the Gods answers to prayers is a resounding "NO" no matter how devout one's faith.

Tenants of Faith of ARC

On Political Correctness:

We don't believe in gender pronouns, or politically correct speech. We do, however, believe in being polite when respect is mutual. When we use the word "man" "men" or "his" in this document we mean "all humankind" and we will not continue to parse words without distinction with those too willing to wander astray from deeper meaning.

On Group Involvement:

We believe that each man associates with the ARC of his own free will and that they may disassociate with ARC, as they see fit, with ARC's continuing goodwill. Unless you're a completely unreasonable douchebag, then we may not send you forth with our goodwill.

On Man's Fallability:

We believe that the Gods made men with many imperfections, but made them with the ability and desire to strive for better things and experiences, and better overall well-being.

On Fate and Destiny:

We believe that fate, [Wyrd], and fortune have thrown us together with shared experiences and bonds of friendship that will withstand life's tests of hardship, and possibly; even time itself.

On Community:

We believe that together our presence is stronger than each of us alone, but with a sincere mindfulness that a strong group is made up of strong, but cohesive and knowledgeable individuals with unique perspectives and individual experiences.

On the Individual:

We believe that the individual is the foundation of the community and that an individual's free will and sovereignty over his thoughts, body, and property (real, personal, intellectual or otherwise).

On Vaccinations and Medical Care:

Because we believe that the free will and personal choice of the individual to be the paramount virtue upon which all other virtues are based and subject <u>only</u> to the Gods we believe that each individual has the absolute sovereign right to make a statement in writing as to whether they accept or reject or refuse (1) vaccinations, (2) medical or surgical procedures including injections of all types, (3) medications, (4) assisted suicide, and (5) post-mortem autopsies or other post-mortem procedures. The Asatru Runic Conservatory is a 508(c)(1)(a) and is an exempt religious organization and will support all such written and notarized statement(s) [To be provided to the Member by the A.R.C. organization] made by a member of the A.R.C. with the official protection of the A.R.C. as a religious organization and grant an official "church sponsored and authenticated" religious exemption for mandatory vaccinations or other governmental or other authority's mandated vaccination requirement(s) or enforced medical procedure(s) which may violate an A.R.C. Member's freedom of choice and free will.

On Free Speech:

We believe that to speak one's mind is a sacred right and that speech should be free of the tyranny or regulation of the state and of any organized group, private, religious, or other, and that each man may speak his mind as he sees fit, but that he must be cognizant of his surroundings and the laws of those who may inflict harm upon him. Be cognizant that sometimes failing to regulate your own speech at the wrong time or place can get you challenged; sued, arrested, beaten or killed no matter how justified you may feel your words are.

On Suicide:

Intentional suicide, as opposed to suicide-by-stupidity, is the ultimate individual choice. We believe that it is a quitter's way out and that tomorrow will just keep coming even if you choose to stop rising to greet it. We also admit that each man answers to his own demons and that he must ultimately answer to the Gods for the choices he has made in this life. That said, however, if you are at the end of your life and in pain or a degenerative state, or the end has approached too closely for your continued survival, we support choosing your own end and exiting life on one's own terms.

On Birth Control:

This is an individual and personal choice. Modern medicine has made birth control a realistic and predictable option. Should you choose to pro-create, know that it is your responsibility to love, feed, clothe, and educate your own children.

On Crime and Punishment:

It is the responsibility of each individual to know the laws of the land where he may be subject to punishment by the state or other group. We believe that it is also the responsibility of the state to avoid making so many complicated laws that the average man cannot understand them or obey them in good-conscience. We believe that putting a man in prison should be bad for the individual and bad for the state; imprisoning men should never be a profitable enterprise for the state or any other party. If a man does run afoul of the law, this does not necessarily affect his membership within ARC. Each such case must be individually evaluated by the ARC lawspeaker.

On the Authority of the State or Government and Jurisdiction of the Gods:

The Members of A.R.C., as a matter of religious faith, hereby do not EVER waive any defense grated by, or objection to any authority's jurisdiction, for (1) "lack of personal jurisdiction," (2) "lack of subject matter jurisdiction," (2) "improper venue," (3) "insufficiency of process," (4) "insufficiency of service of process" or (5) any and all other Affirmative or Absolute Defenses, (6) A.R.C. Members never waive the right to a speedy trial, and (6) Members specifically reserve the right to assert the foregoing defenses at any tribunal, governing or administrative body, or court and further reserves the right to amend these defense(s) and affirmative defenses, add cross or counterclaims, add new matter, or by initiating third-party actions as additional facts are

obtained through investigation and discovery. Members further specifically reserve the right to object to jurisdiction and venue amongst the various Gods of our Pantheon, excepting Odin, the All-Father. These are the problematic areas of any polytheistic religion. Spiritual jurisdictional squabbles happen from time to time.

On Capital Punishment:

Some people probably just need kill'in. If you don't want to have somebody kill you, don't commit heinous bodily crimes upon the citizenry, kill your fellow men, [excepting in battle or self-defense], abuse the elderly, or rape children (or anybody for that matter). Just don't. While it may be "more fitting" or "more satisfying" to think of somebody rotting in prison for the next 30 to 50 years, none of us want to pay the bill to house and feed you if there's little-to-no chance of rehabilitating you. If you're that much of a dirt-bag, your life really isn't worth the ongoing yearly costs of incarceration. Ours is a pagan Viking-era religious organization; there's only so civilized we're going to get about serious crimes.

<u>On Charity:</u>

Good works create goodwill and positive energy. Donate according to your available time and/or physical or financial resources to the best of your ability. Charity is an individual choice. Maybe you help the world, or maybe you help a neighbor, the choice is yours.

On the Absolute Right to Bear Arms and Armor:

We believe that the absolute sovereign authority and right to possess and carry arms and armor of all types whatsoever, including but not limited to: firearms and munitions of all kinds, armor of any type whatsoever, bladed weapons, sticks, rocks, bows, or any other weapon of war, and any other darn thing you can get your hands on when needed, are absolutely vital to the health of a civilized and yet free society and we believe that this right is vested fully and irrevocably in each individual person. We believe that an armed society is a polite society.

The absolute sovereign authority to bear arms is a solemn responsibility, but is intended to protect the individual from the tyranny of the state and from the unknowns that occur in life and have occurred throughout history; let's face it folks, some of our neighbors are unstable, dangerous and unpredictable. This right to possess and carry arms and armor is necessary and integral to the right to defend yourself, your family, your property and your ideals from all threats, foreign or domestic.

On Vendetta Law and Forgiveness:

We believe that no blow, metaphoric or otherwise, should go unanswered, except by one's own personal choice to forgive a transgression. Forgiveness also usually leads to less bloodshed and fewer fights; actions which in modern times can lead to an arrest by state authorities or a black eye, or worse. We believe that each person must be guided by their own conscience and give thought to the laws of the state which may inflict punishment upon them.

On the Value of Education and Learning of All Things:

We believe that reading, writing, spirituality, philosophy and education in all aspects, reverence for nature, knowledge of trades, crafts, sciences, technology and martial knowledge to be of utmost importance; however, sometimes there's no good substitute for street-craft, good-old common sense and boots-on-the-ground experience.

On Moderation:

We believe that the concepts of balance and moderation are applicable darn near 99% of the time, but that to every rule there is an exception, and that the exception is integral to and proves the rule. Sometimes simple overwhelming superiority of technology or force of numbers is necessary for survival; balance and fairness be-damned.

On Animal Cruelty:

If you commit acts of cruelty or torture toward animals you should receive the death penalty and we reserve the right petition the State to inflict this punishment upon your person. You are despicable and don't not deserve the Gods wisdom or mercy. That said, hunting is allowed in our faith, but we decree and resolve that Members should hunt for sustenance, not kill for sport. If you kill an animal it should be used to feed you and your family or clan. No kill should be wasted, ever. There are hungry people in the world who would appreciate the donation if you choose to make a kill that you decide not to eat.

On Corporations and other Artificial Entities

The common man has the Gods given right to defend himself, his family, his neighbors, his community, his beliefs and philosophies, and his property be it real, personal, or intellectual, from all threats, foreign and domestic or from a sovereign no matter their legitimacy or length of sovereign history. Ownership and management of an artificial entity is a property right and ARC members have the absolute right to defend their property. Prohibition on self-defense violates this right especially since the right to self-defense and/or prosecution of transgression is an inviolable tenant of the ARC religious faith.

On Bestiality:

No, just plain old No. We really shouldn't have to state this one for the record but humanity has disappointed us many times before.

On The Nine Noble Virtues of Asatru:

We believe that there are Nine Noble Virtues to guide one's life and actions, but also recognize that humans are inevitably doomed to fail at all of them, often. The idea is to continue striving; to persevere. We also believe that all Nine of these Virtues are subject to the paramount and absolutely sovereign "tenth" virtue of individual free will and freedom of choice in all things subject <u>only</u> to the will of the Gods, the Divine Winds of Destiny and the hands of fate.

• **Courage**. By facing life's struggles with courage, people constantly extend their capabilities. Without courage nothing else can be done. Don't confuse courage and stupidity or bravado.

■ **Truth.** Blind faith has no place in Ásatrú. People must act and react in this world as they see it and are expected to respond to it with honesty towards others, towards the Gods, and toward themselves; unless they are first treated with unlawfulness or malice, then all bets are off. Believe it; if people were all nice and honest there would be no need for "Classified" information.

■ Honor. Be true to what people are, good and bad, to what you are, good and bad, and insist on personally acting with as much nobility as can be mustered, as well as upon one's own convictions toward any given situation.

■ Fidelity. Remain true to one's faith and values. Loyalty is the basis for all enduring human activity and must be a critical component of behavior. Let's face it, nobody likes a rat. Don't make a habit of turning in your neighbor or your friends to authorities unless they're doing truly heinous shit to children or small animals.

■ Hospitality. The isolation and loneliness of modern life is not necessary. People are encouraged to share what they have with others, especially with travelers in their midst, but be mindful that those you do not know are still those that you-do-not-know and that trust takes time and shared experience to build.

Discipline. It takes discipline to fulfill one's purpose in life. Find your purpose and live it. It is necessary to exercise self-control and steadfastness during difficult times.

■ Industriousness. To work whole-heartedly, hard, and intelligently. This allows a person to keep thinking and growing.

■ Self-Reliance. Rely on ones' self as much as possible and on others as infrequently as possible. Take the freedoms necessary to realize life's goals and dreams, by force if necessary. Let no man suffer the yoke of tyranny, except by his own choice.

■ **Perseverance.** Hold on to one's goals until completion and don't be ashamed for being smarter or stronger than an opponent. Reservation of Rights to Amend:

Reservation of Amendment Rights:

The Incumbent Gothe of the Asatru Runic Conservatory hereby reserves the right to amend this "PRAECEPTUS LIBERTATEM" at his unilateral discretion and decision, but states herein that any such decision shall be based in large part on the sound counsel and advice, after consultation, of the governing counsel of the A.R.C.

Adoption of by Incumbent Gothe on behalf of Asatru Runic Conservatory:

The foregoing PRAECEPTUS LIBERTATEM AND ARTICLES AND AFFIDAVIT OF FAITH OF THE ASATRU RUNIC CONSERVATORY is hereby adopted by the Incumbent Gothé (Supreme Spiritual Leader of the A.R.C.) on behalf of the A.R.C. and all of its Membership foregoing or hereafter joined this 3rd day of March, 2020. Witness our Hand and Seal and Official Act of the A.R.C.



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Emiel A. Kandi, Incumbent and Founding Gothé

MEMBER SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW

Ascribing ARC Member Verification of Affidavit and Signature of Acceptance

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