

LIKENESS AND PROFILE RELEASE TO NOAA

I, _____ [if signing this Release on behalf of a minor, the parent or legal guardian should state the minor's name here: _____] hereby, grant to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Ocean Service (NOS), the irrevocable, lifetime, royalty free, non-exclusive, worldwide right to use my [or the above-listed minor's] name, image, likeness, portrait, or voice (hereinafter "Likeness"), as specified below, in all forms, in all manners, and in all media now existing or to be created in the future, as part of the activities of the [*identify activity/activities*]:

Date(s) of Activity Photographed/Filmed/Recorded, etc.: _____

Location(s) of Activity Photographed/Filmed/Recorded, etc.: _____

Description of image(s)/video(s)/audio(s) used (if known): _____

The intended use of these materials is for NOS communication, outreach, and education products that promote awareness, appreciation, and management of the marine environment.

I also grant to NOS the irrevocable right to use biographical information provided from and about me [or the above-listed minor's] in all forms, in all manners, and in all media now existing or to be created in the future, as part of the above-referenced activities.

Further, I waive any right to inspect or approve my [or the above-listed minor's] Likeness or Profile in the finished version in which I or my [or the above-listed minor's] organization appear and/or incorporating the Likeness(es), including written copy that may be created and appear in connection therewith. NOS may, if deemed practicable, grant requests for me to access, for my reference and not for my inspection or approval, a draft version of the product in which my Likeness appears. I hereby waive any claims I may have based on any usage of any video, photographs, or works derived there from, including but not limited to claims for invasion of privacy or publicity or for libel.

I further release and absolve NOS from any liability resulting from any use of my [or the above-listed minor's] Likeness or Profile. It is expressly agreed, however, that NOS is under no obligation to use said Likeness or Profile for any purpose whatsoever. Moreover, I understand that NOS will not compensate me in any way or pay me for use of my [or the above-listed minor's] Likeness or Profile.

I hereby warrant that I have sole copyright ownership of any written copy, photograph(s), video, film footage, and/or any information presented by me or provided to NOS, or that I have

obtained permission from the copyright owner(s). Further, I agree to indemnify NOS in the event that it suffers liability or damages as a result of its use of any written copy, photograph(s), video, film footage, and/or any information referenced in this paragraph.

If 18 or older:

I further warrant that I am 18 or older, no parental or guardian consent is required, and that I have every right to contract in my own name in the above regard. I further state that I have read this Release and that I am fully familiar with and understand the contents thereof. I agree that this release shall be binding on me, my legal representatives, heirs, and assigns.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Affiliation (if applicable): _____

Position (if applicable): _____

Phone (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

If representative of minor:

Parental Consent: I am the parent or legal guardian of the minor named above. I have the legal right to consent to and do consent to the terms and conditions of this release on behalf of the minor named above.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Phone (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Privacy Act Statement

Authority: The collection of this information is authorized under 5 U.S.C. 301 (*Departmental regulations*), 5 USC 552a (*Records maintained on individuals*); 15 U.S.C. 1512 (*Powers and duties of Department*), 44 U.S.C. 2904 (General responsibilities for records management) and NOAA's programmatic authorities.

Purpose: Individual's permission is required for use of photographs, video, and audio in any format, used for communication, outreach, and education products that promote awareness, appreciation, and management of the marine environment. NOAA must not collect any personal information from children under the age of 13, unless parental permission is provided in writing.

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