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CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR SPONSOR IN BAPTISM

Sponsor's Full Name (*in print*) _____

Godchild or Candidate's Name: _____

The Laws of the Roman Catholic Church (canons 872 & 874) lists the requirements that a person must possess in order to qualify as a SPONSOR in Baptism and/or Confirmation.

In accepting this responsibility, I affirm that (*please check all that apply*)

1. _____ I have received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation and am at least 16 years old.
2. _____ I participate regularly in Sunday Mass and give witness to my faith in Christ Jesus.
3. _____ I am aware of and believe in the basic truths of the Roman Catholic Faith and I truly make an effort to incorporate these teachings into my daily life.
4. _____ I am aware that I am assuming responsibility to be a good role model for the person I am sponsoring by my life of prayer and by my Catholic example.
5. _____ If married: I am validly married according to the laws of the Catholic Church. I was married by a priest or deacon; or married by a minister with proper dispensation from the Bishop; I had my marriage convalidated (blessed) by the Catholic Church.
6. _____ If single: I am living a Christian life in accordance with the laws of the Catholic Church and am not co-habiting (living with someone outside of marriage).
7. _____ I am not the father or mother of the one to be Baptized or the Confirmed.

Note: The same requirements above apply to a PROXY in case of an emergency.

I DECLARE THAT I AM A MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH LISTED BELOW AND THAT I FULFILL ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHURCH LAW FOR SPONSORS.

Signature of Sponsor: _____

Address & Phone No.: _____

Information below to be filled out by the Sponsor's Pastor:

I certify that the person named above is active in this Church Community and to my knowledge has fulfilled all the requirements of Canon Law for Sponsors, and is qualified to act as a Sponsor for Baptism and/or Confirmation.

Pastor's Name: _____
Signature *Date*

Church Parish: _____

Christian Witness Form

(This section is for non-Catholics only.)

_____ I have never been baptized in the Catholic Church.

_____ I am a Christian baptized in the _____ Church.

_____ I practice my religion on a regular basis and promise to be a Christian role model to support the parents of this child.

Signature of Witness: _____ Date: _____