**Code of Ethics and Member Etiquette**

All new members will agree to a Code of Ethics form that states the following:

Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council

Code of Ethics

1. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations that apply to

 recipients of federal funds and to the SILC.

2. I will make decisions that assure the equal access and independent

 living of people with disabilities and will seek to develop, support and maintain

 Independent Living Services.

3. I understand that the role of the board is policy making, planning, and

 appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the

 Council has consulted those who will be affected by them.

4. I will carry out my responsibility, not to interfere with the day to day

 operations of the Center and/or SILC, but, together with my fellow

 Council members, to only hire qualified staff, if applicable.

5. I recognize that authority rests with the Council as a whole, and will

make no individual promises nor take any private action that may compromise

the Council.

6. I refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or

 partisan political groups or to use the Council position for personal

 gain or for the gain of friends or family.

7. In all activities and decisions of this Council, I will act in respect for

 all people, and will assure that the rights and dignity of others are

 upheld. I will not bully, threaten, or intimidate any other Council member or

 stakeholder either during a meeting or outside of meetings.

8. I will refer all complaints to the Executive Team of the SILC and will

 act on the complaints from the public only after failure of an

 administrative solution.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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