**INSERT PROGRAM LOGO**

**Special Olympics Program Name Board Member Expectations Agreement**

The mission of Special Olympics Program Name is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for all children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics Athletes and their community.

Ideal Board Members are individuals invested in the mission and success of Special Olympics and are deeply motivated by the organization’s vision to use sport as the catalyst to creating more inclusive and accepting communities for all.

**Responsibilities**

A Board member must be willing to actively and routinely share and utilize their skills, resources and talents with the organization to help it thrive and expand. Each individual Board Member is expected to fulfill responsibilities, to the best of their ability, including, but not limited to:

* Ensure Special Olympics Program Name is governed effectively
* Set organizational direction in collaboration with Special Olympics Program Name CEO/staff
* Ensure the financial and human resources required to operate
* Ensure the fiduciary health of Special Olympics Program Name
* Be accountable to the public trust
* Provide oversight in defined areas
* Expand the organization and advance the mission of Special Olympics
* Attend, prepare for, and participate actively in no less than 2, but up to 4 meetings a year via phone, virtually, or in person.
* Participate fully in one or more of the committees of the Board
* Read and understand the organization’s financial statements and ask questions if they are unclear
* Leverage personal connections, networks, and resources to benefit the organization and actively engage in identifying and securing the financial resources when asked
* Give a meaningful personal financial donation on an annual basis, ideally making Special Olympics Program Name one of your top three annual philanthropic donations
* Understand and follow the organization’s bylaws, policies and board resolutions
* Understand the Board’s responsibilities and liabilities as articulated by the IRS, Special Olympics, Inc., Special Olympics Program Name, and applicable State Name statutes, regulations and laws
* Disclose any/all potential and current conflicts of interest with the organization as soon as they become known
* Maintain confidentiality about all internal matters of Special Olympics Program Name
* Be an educated and conversant ambassador for the organization
* Continually work to identify strong, potential Board Members for consideration, in alignment with current Board composition needs

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Board Member (Print Name) Board Member Signature Date