West Virginia University at Parkersburg

SAFE ZONE CONTRACT

I, _____ give myself permission to be imperfect with people who are different from me. It is okay that I don't know all the answers regarding lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or questioning (LGBTQ) issues or even if at times my lack of knowledge and understanding becomes evident.

I have a responsibility to ask questions, which help me become a more informed individual and Safe Zone member. I am committed to educating myself about oppression, heterosexism and homophobia, and I am also committed to educating others and challenging them on a personal level to do the same.

I am committed to working toward providing a safer, confidential support network for members of the LGBTQ community. I am committed to treating everyone with the dignity and respect they are entitled to as human beings.

I agree to honor confidentiality entrusted to me regarding the sexual orientation of any individual according to his or her wishes.

My signature indicates both my willingness to work towards the commitments and promises described above as well as the Safe Zone guidelines described during my training process.

Signature_____, Date_____

TO RECEIVE YOUR SAFE ZONE SYMBOL, PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name_____ **Date of SZ training**_____

Email address_____ **Phone**_____

☐ **Faculty** ☐ **Staff** **WVUP Department**_____

☐ **Student - Anticipated completion date**_____ **Major** _____

Mailing address _____
Street Address or P.O. Box **City** **State** **Zip**

☐ I give my permission to list my: ☐ name ☐ contact information
in the Safe Zone membership directory on the Social Justice web page.

ATTACH to this completed **Safe Zone Contract** your Go2Knowledge Certificate of Completion for **"Making our Campus Safe for LGBTQ Students: Creating a Supportive Campus Climate,"** and send to:

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