

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY RELATING TO TO CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state and local governments and federal, state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregations of groups of people.

The Carolina Haitian Food Festival Committee has implemented protocols and put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, it cannot guarantee that you will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending any program may increase your risk of contracting and transmitting COVID-19.

BY ATTENDING THIS EVENT YOU WILLFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTAND....

... the highly contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that you, or members of your family, group or organization, may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating in any way in any event, program or activity taking place at the Midwood International and Cultural Center and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability and death.

... that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the Midwood International and Cultural Center may result from the actions, omissions or negligence of yourself and others, including, but not limited to the event organizers, vendors, volunteers and other participants and their families.

... that you voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to you or members of your family, group or organization, including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability and death, illness, damage, loss claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that they or you may experience or incur in connection with any participation in any event, program, activity, reservation or rental taking place at the Midwood International and Cultural Center.

... that hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge and hold harmless The Carolina Haitian Food Festival Committee, and its members of and from any claims related to COVID-19, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto.

... that you further agree to indemnify and hold harmless The Carolina Haitian Food Festival Committee, the Midwood International and Cultural Center, and its employees, agents and representatives from any claim that may arise from or in connection with you, your family or members of your group or organization's participation in any program taking place at the Midwood International and Cultural Center, including claims related to COVID-19.