



**AMERICAN RED CROSS  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**BOARD MEMBER ANNUAL AFFIRMATION OF SERVICE**

- I fully support the American Red Cross mission, purpose, goals and leadership.
- I agree to serve on at least one committee and to consider other leadership positions or special assignments when asked to serve, as possible.
- I understand that board membership requires the equivalent of approximately 15 days per year of my time, including preparation and meetings. I am able to give that time during the 12 months ahead, and expect to attend all board and committee meetings unless I give the chair advance notice of my need to be absent for good cause. I also acknowledge that missing three consecutive meetings without reasonable cause and approval by the Chairman of the Board can be grounds for removal from the Board of Governors.
- I intend to contribute financially to the work of our organization during the year. I will also help open doors to friends who may be interested in contributing to our work.
- I have reviewed, signed and intend to comply with our Code of Business Ethics and Conduct, have completed the Conflict of Interest Disclosure Questionnaire, and attest that I meet the independence standard for Board members listed under Section 2.3(a) of the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the American Red Cross.
- I understand that should I retire or substantially change my principal occupation or business association from the position I held when elected to the Board, I shall provide notification of such change to the Chair of the Governance and Board Development Committee or to the Chairman of the Board. The Governance and Board Development Committee will then consider whether my ongoing service as a member of the Board is appropriate.
- If anything should arise during the year that would not allow me to keep these commitments to being a positive contributor to our board, I will initiate conversation with the Chairman of the Board about a voluntary resignation to allow another to serve who is able to be fully involved.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Affirmation Adapted from: The Nonprofit Board Answer Book: Practical Guidelines for Board Members and Chief Executives. By Robert C. Andringa and Ted W. Engstrom. BoardSource