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We, the pioneers of human enhancement, in order to unlock the full potential of human ability, promote fairness and opportunity, protect the right of individuals to become extraordinary, extend healthy human lifespans, and secure the benefits of science, innovation and freedom for ourselves and future generations, do now proclaim this First Declaration on Human Enhancement.

We recognise that humanity will find its fullest expression not through restriction but through expansion — of competition, scientific enquiry, medicine and the human spirit. To reach beyond our present limitations is not merely a right, but a sacred duty to humanity's boundless potential.

Furthermore, we declare that athletic excellence is the pursuit of expanded human ability through the dedication to perfection of talent, technology, and scientific advancement. Excellence should not be confined by arbitrary boundaries, and true greatness flourishes in the freedom to explore, enhance and evolve beyond what once was.

Article 1. The Right of Bodily Sovereignty

- a. Individuals have ultimate sovereignty over their bodies.
- b. Therefore, individuals have the right to enhance their bodies.
- c. No institution or individual has the inherent authority to restrict an individual's right to bodily sovereignty, without just cause or consent, as it fundamentally belongs to the individual.

Article 2. The Paramount Duty of Health and Quality of Life

- a. While we affirm the Right to Enhancement, we also declare that the health and well-being of individuals are paramount.
- b. Individuals have the right to seek appropriate medical supervision while undergoing any form of enhancement.
- c. In competitions, it is an obligation of competition organisers to provide appropriate medical oversight, and to continuously improve access to appropriate medical oversight over time.
- d. In competitions, organisers shall establish rigorous safety protocols, scientific testing and medical supervision to ensure that all enhancements are used responsibly.

Article 3. The Duty to Respect National Laws

- a. Individuals are required to respect the law of the land in each nation they live, work, train, or compete.
- b. Competition organisers must similarly respect national law, and shall not overtake the sovereignty of nations in the enforcement of law.
- c. Competition organisers shall not act with the pretence of sovereign authority unless granted by the Community of Nations.

Article 4. The Duty of Transparency and Honesty

- a. In the pursuit of scientific progress, individuals are encouraged to disclose the types and effects of enhancements they use, ensuring transparency, while recognising the individual's right to medical privacy.
- b. Competition organisers are obligated to create an environment of openness and celebration of scientific innovation.
- c. Individuals have a duty to be honest in any disclosure.

Article 5. The Right and Duty of Equality of Access

- a. In competitions, no competitor shall be deprived of their right to enhancement based on their socioeconomic status.
- b. Competition organisers shall work to ensure equitable access to enhancements, so that all competitors can maximise their potential, regardless of social, economic or national barriers.
- c. In competitions, competitors have a right to compensation for their efforts commensurate to fellow competitors and individual circumstances.
- d. Competition organisers have a duty to continuously improve equality of access and competitor compensation over time.

Article 6. The Right To Take Risk

- a. Individuals have the right to take proportional risks for themselves. Individuals are the ultimate decision-makers over what they choose to do.
- b. No institution should infringe upon the individual's right to take informed and proportional risk.

Article 7. The Right of Freedom From Coercion

- a. Competitors shall have the right to autonomy in their decisions regarding enhancements.
 No competition organiser, coach, team, or sponsor shall compel or coerce any competitor to use or not use enhancements against their will.
- b. Comprehensive legally informed consent must be obtained before any enhancement is undertaken.

Article 8. The Duty of Innovation Through Science

- a. Individuals, athletes and scientists have a duty to extend the limits of human potential through innovation, science and medicine.
- b. Competition organisers have an obligation to safely promote and advance scientific research.
- c. Competition organisers have a duty to make all decisions on a scientific basis.
- d. The public has the right to knowledge regarding the role of enhancements in sport and society. Individuals and competition organisers have a duty to safely promote the education of athletes, teams and the general public.

Article 9. The Duty to Preserve the Spirit of Sport

- a. Athletes have the right to compete in an environment that respects the spirit of sport, wherein excellence is pursued with integrity, fairness and respect for one's competitors.
- b. Individuals agreeing to participate in competitions are required to respect the rules of participation.

Article 10. Implementation

a. The President of the Enhanced Games shall oversee the implementation and continued development of this Declaration.