AFFIDAVIT CLAIMING EXEMPTION FROM LICENSURE

Under penalty of perjury and the filing of false public records, the undersigned does hereby acknowledge and certify that all the information contained in the building permit application and provided herein is true and correct.

I am applying for a building permit from the Town/City/Parish of _____ for proposed construction activities to be performed at that certain parcel of immovable property bearing the municipal address of:

_____

Initial next to each statement below to attest to your understanding.

_____ I understand that state law requires construction be done by a licensed contractor and I have applied for a permit under the exemption granted in La. R.S. 37:2157(A)(13) to act as the general contractor as defined in La. R.S. 2150.1(4) for the construction, repair, improvement, or maintenance of my home or accessory building and will maintain the house as my primary residence following the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy ("COI") or completion of construction.

_____ I understand that I cannot file another affidavit of exemption from licensure within the one-year period from the issuance of the COI for this project with limited exceptions as specified under La. R.S. 37:2157(A)(13).

_____ **I understand that pursuant to La. R.S. 37:2159(A) and (B), a properly executed contract is required between myself as the acting general contractor and any contractor performing services requiring licensure or registration as defined by this Chapter and that no work may begin prior to the signing of the contract by all parties.**

_____ **I understand that this exemption does not apply to any subcontractors who are subject to licensure requirements as described in La. R.S. 37:2150, *et seq*.**

_____ I understand that as the contractor of record, I bear sole legal and financial responsibility for the entirety of this project; must provide direct, onsite supervision of the construction; may not hire an unlicensed person to act as my contractor, construction manager, and/or to supervise persons working on my residence or building.

_____ I understand that it is a frequent practice of unlicensed persons to have the property owner obtain an owner-builder permit that falsely implies that the owner is providing their own labor and materials. I, as an owner-builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person or their employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance policy may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an owner-builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property. I am aware of the recommended builder's risk, workers' compensation, and liability insurances I may purchase for protection from financial risk.

_____ I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed contractor and having the permit filed in his or her own name instead of my name.

_____ I understand that, as the party legally and financially responsible for this proposed construction activity, I will abide by all applicable laws and requirements and I am responsible for ensuring the construction itself complies with all applicable laws, ordinances, building codes, and zoning regulations.

_____ I understand the warranty provisions of the New Home Warranty Act are found in La. R.S. 9:3141-3150.

_____ I understand the Contractors Licensing Law, its Rules and Regulations, a searchable database of licensed contractors, and other requisite information may be found on the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors website at www.lslbc.gov.

_____ I understand that this affidavit is a legal document and is the **only** document authorized by the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors pursuant to La. R.S. 37:2160(C) to claim exemption from licensure and I have the right to consult an attorney prior to signing.

_____ **I understand that the intentional act of submitting false information to a public agency is a felony violation under R.S. 14:133 of the Louisiana Criminal Code, punishable by up to five (5) years in prison and/or a fine of up to $5,000.00.**

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

_____	_____
Signature of Homeowner	Signature of Notary
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Name of Homeowner	Name and Notary/Bar#