

Sunday Farmers Market at College View

WILD HARVESTING AFFIDAVIT

*Wild harvested is defined as plants or portions of plants that are collected or harvested from defined areas of land which are maintained in a natural state and are not cultivated or otherwise managed.

As a Sunday Farmers Market at College View (SFMCV) vendor who will be selling or processing wild harvested crops to sell at SFMCV, I agree to the following:

All wild harvested plants or plant parts to be sold at SFMCV have been harvested by me personally, a member of my immediate family, or an employee on my business payroll. Purchasing wild harvested plants to be resold at SFMCV is strictly forbidden. All wild harvesting for sale at SFMCV must be harvested within the state of Nebraska or no more than 200 miles from Lincoln.

I have positively confirmed the identity of the plant prior to harvesting using a minimum of four points of identity. These can include, but are not limited to, color, leaf, inflorescence, stem, fruit, bark/branches, fragrance, taste, location, life cycle of the plant, seasonality, soil conditions, habit of growth, and/or spore print (for mushrooms). I alone am responsible for the positive identification of all plants used or sold at SFMCV, including but not limited to, employees or family members harvesting on my behalf.

I will not harvest in a manner that leads to the death of the plant or the depletion of the stand. I am exceedingly familiar with the plant to be harvested and I understand what is required in order to keep the plant healthy and the population abundant.

I will harvest the part of the plant appropriate for the season (i.e. seeds & roots in the fall, fruit/fruitlet bodies when ripe, leaves before flowering, etc). Any wild harvested plants or plant parts sold at SFMCV out of season must be preserved or processed.

I am familiar with the local at-risk and endangered plants and will not harvest within 50 feet of any at-risk or endangered plant. I will never harvest at-risk, endangered, or sensitive plants, and the sale of such plants at SFMCV is strictly forbidden.

I will leave the area in the same condition in which I found it, or better. Ex. If you dig a hole, fill it, pick up any trash found, do not drive off-road, etc.

I have any and all permissions/permits to harvest the plant and/or in the area to be harvested.

I will only harvest what I need or can reasonably use and/or sell. Overharvesting is not only wasteful, but can be detrimental to the environment, pollinators, or the stand itself. Generally speaking, SFMCV recommends no more than 10% of any stand be harvested per year, and that no stand is harvested from more than once every other year, at most.

I will only gather in pollution-free areas, where neither pesticide, industrial or agricultural runoff nor toxic waste is present. Do not harvest from roadsides, city parks, along property lines, or in industrial areas – all places for potential pollutants and contaminants.

Name: _____

DBA: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____