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Ceremonial Use Exemption Form

Please Type or Print Legibly

Name (First, Middle, Last) Student ID

Tribal Affiliation(s) Male Female

Campus Address

Jacks Email Address Telephone

City State Zip Code

I am requesting ceremonial use exemption from South Dakota State University's smoking, tobacco, and fire regulation policies and procedures, as it pertains to Housing and Residential Life during the 20__ to 20__ academic year. This appeal is being made on the basis of my desire to sustain an occasional and/or daily spiritual practice that contributes to my personal and spiritual wellbeing. The scared medicines are essential in my traditional American Indian cultural ways of life. I use the following in my personal ceremonies and prayers:

(mark all that apply) Cedar Sage Sweetgrass

In order to reduce the number of inquiries regarding the smell of smoke in residential halls and in the recognition of the health concerns of the University community, I understand that upon approval of my request, I must meet with American Indian Student Center and Housing and Residential Life to devise a notification plan of when smudging and/or pipe ceremonies may occur in the privacy of my own room.

Student's Signature Date

Roommate Agreement:

I am aware that my roommate(s), or those close to my living space may have allergies to the ceremonial medicines. I will discuss the burn exemption with my roommate(s) and should I have any concerns or disagreements regarding the arrangement, I/we will discuss with the community assistant or the residence hall director, who will notify the AISC Director immediately.

Roommate Name: Student ID:

Roommate Signature: Date

Office Use Only

The Department of Housing and Residential Life and American Indian Student Center recognizes that smudging and pipe ceremonies are essential for the petitioner to positively and successfully fulfill their educational goals and well, therefore, provide appropriate staff orientation to safely carry out and prepare the residential hall location for the petitioner's request.

Approved Denied Date

Larson Family Endowed Director of American Indian Student Success: Date

Director, Housing and Residential Life Signature: Date