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## Conduct of Raffle using Alternative Method of Selecting Winners

### **"Flower" Raffle** Approved June 18, 2012

#### **Game Concept**

The raffle involves participants purchasing a chance to earn a prize. Flower stem bottoms are issued a color, number, or other designation to reflect a predetermined prize amount. The flowers tops are then numbered and displayed for all the participants. The stem bottoms are concealed from view. Participants purchase a chance to select a number from a container. The participant draws a number randomly from a container and is issued the corresponding pre-numbered artificial silk flower. The participant then views the stem bottom to determine their prize.

#### **Game Requirements**

1. Artificial silk flowers are consecutively numbered on the top of the stem based on the number of entries.
2. Each flower will have a color, number, or other designation painted on the stem bottom.
3. The flowers are placed in a container, vase, or display that conceals the stem bottoms.
4. Numbered chances are printed on paper or on a chip, equal to the quantity of flowers.
5. All chances must be identical in terms of size and shape and cannot be distinguished from another.
6. The numbered flowers will be counted and compared to numbered chances prior to sales to ensure all flowers and chances are available for selection. A nonparticipating person will double check and reconcile the numbered flowers and chances.
7. The numbered chances are placed in a container and thoroughly mixed.
8. Participants purchase a ticket for a chance to select a number corresponding to a numbered flower.
9. All ticket sales and awarding of prizes will occur on the same day at the event.
10. Prior to the drawing, the organization posts the prizes as they correspond to the color, number, or other designation on the stem bottom.
11. To ensure random sampling, participants will select a numbered chance from a container.
12. Participants will not be able to view into the container when selecting a numbered chance.
13. The corresponding numbered flower will be presented to the customer and at that time the prize (as noted by the color, number, or other designation on the stem bottom) will be revealed.
14. Once the selection is made, the flower and number are out of circulation.
15. All entries have an equal chance of selection.
16. Prizes will be immediately awarded as flowers are drawn and presented.
17. Records will be kept for all sold/unsold tickets to participate and flowers.

**If you have any questions regarding the conduct, contact the  
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