HELENA ULTRA RUNNERS LEAGUE POLICY

Policy Name: HURL Donation Policy

Purpose

This policy guides the donation of Helena Ultra Runners League (HURL) funds for purposes other than paying for the direct expenses of the organization, the Elkhorn Endurance Races, and other HURL organized events.

Preamble

From the HURL Bylaws: HURL is organized as a nonprofit corporation under Title 35, Chapter 2, Montana Code Annotated, exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Pursuant to this standard, the primary purpose and mission for which HURL was organized and formed is as follows:

- 1) To organize and promote opportunities for weekly training runs, adventure runs, and the annual Elkhorn Endurance Runs in the Elkhorn Mountains of southwestern Montana;
- To provide resources, funding, and leadership towards their primary mission of enjoying, maintaining, improving, and developing the trail systems in the Helena, Montana area;
- To identify and cultivate relationships with individuals, groups, corporations, and entities that provide or promote recreational activities and outdoor aid; and
- 4) To carry out such activities as are necessary to further their nonprofit tax-exempt status.

Policy

HURL receives income primarily from race entry fees, and less frequently, from cash donations made to HURL. HURL income is used to pay for HURL expenses in accordance with the organization's bylaws. On average, HURL annual income exceeds annual expenses. A portion of the remaining funds are reserved to offset pre-race expenses the following year. The remaining funds may be donated to another entity so long as the following conditions are met:

- 1) The donation may not result in a negative HURL fund balance, and should take into account anticipated future annual expenses.
- 2) The donation may not be a conflict of interest.
- 3) The recipient of the donation must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. Exceptions:
 - a) HURL may donate funds to a for-profit business only when said business is conducting an event or performing an activity for which all associated proceeds, including the HURL donation, from the event or activity are donated to a nonprofit corporation or other charitable organization; or
 - b) HURL may donate funds to an entity that is not an official nonprofit corporation so long as the entity does not profit in any manner from its activities and all income earned by said entity, including the HURL donation, is donated to or otherwise used to support a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation or other charitable organization; or

- c) HURL may donate funds to an entity that is not an official nonprofit corporation so long as the entity meets the recipient qualifications of Policy Part (4)(a) or (b) below and the HURL donation is donated in good faith to the entity to support their service to HURL, and not upon recipient request and not for intended recipient profit.
- 4) The recipient of the donation must:

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- a) Provide a service that supports HURL activities and events; or
- b) Provide a service or activity that directly supports the primary purpose and mission for which HURL was formed.
- 5) Donation requests may be either motioned internally by a member of the HURL Board of Directors or externally using the HURL Donation Request Form. External donation requests must be signed and submitted by an affiliate of the entity requesting donated funds.
- 6) The donation must be approved in advance by the HURL Board of Directors in accordance with its bylaws.

Approval

This policy was adopted by the HURL Board of Directors in accordance with its bylaws.