Certificate to Serve as a Godparent or Sponsor for

Name of Catechumen or Candidate	

I RECOGNIZE that a godparent/sponsor has a special relationship to the person who is to be baptized or confirmed. A godparent/sponsor serves as a model of Christian living for the individual he/she is serving, as that person is renewed and strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit.

WITH THAT UNDERSTANDING, I recognize that in order to serve as a godparent/sponsor, a person must:

- Be a Catholic who has been baptized, received the Eucharist and been confirmed, and who is currently living a sacramental life (e.g., attending Mass regularly, making use of the sacrament of Reconciliation) and is not in an irregular marriage, or living a life of habitual sin;
- Be at least sixteen years of age;
- Lead a life of faith in harmony with the ministry they are undertaking, and have the intention of undertaking the ministry of a godparent or sponsor;
- Not be a parent of the individual to be confirmed.

I HEREBY ACCEPT these responsibilities and testify that I fulfill the requirements to serve in the ministry of godparent/sponsor.

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Signature of Godparent/Sponsor	Date		
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I HEREBY TESTIFY that	(name of godparent/sponsor)		
is a registered member of			
	(name of parish)		
and affirm that he/she fulfills all the requirements	to serve in the ministry of godparent/sponsor.		
Signature of Pastor			
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