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DECLARATION OF FIREARMS IN VEHICLE

Effective January 1, 2023

It is the policy of Athens State University that, notwithstanding the foregoing, individuals (not otherwise prohibited from possession of a firearm by state or federal law) may possess a firearm and ammunition for that firearm in the individual's privately owned motor vehicle while parked or operated on the grounds of the University; provided that the individual satisfies all of the following conditions:

- (1) If the firearm is a pistol, the individual is not generally prohibited from possession of a pistol by state or federal law;
- (2) If the firearm is any firearm legal for use for hunting in Alabama other than a pistol:
 - a. The individual possesses a valid Alabama hunting license;
 - b. The firearm is unloaded at all times on the grounds;
 - c. It is during a season in which hunting is permitted by Alabama law or regulation;
 - d. The individual has never been convicted of any crime of violence as that term is defined in [Section 13A-11-70, Code of Alabama 1975](#), nor of any crime set forth in Chapter 6 of Title 13A, Code of Alabama 1975, nor is subject to a domestic violence order, as that term is defined in [Section 13A-6-141, Code of Alabama 1975](#); and
 - e. The individual has no documented prior incidents on the grounds of the institution involving the threat of physical injury or which resulted in physical injury to another;
- (3) The motor vehicle is operated or parked in a location where it is otherwise permitted to be; and
- (4) The firearm is either of the following:
 - a. In a motor vehicle attended by the individual, kept from ordinary observation within the individual's motor vehicle; or
 - b. In a motor vehicle unattended by the individual, kept from ordinary observation and locked within a compartment, container, or in the interior of the individual's privately owned motor vehicle or in a compartment or container securely affixed to the motor vehicle.

Individuals possessing a firearm or ammunition in their privately owned vehicle may not remove the firearm from the vehicle while on any property owned or controlled by the University.

I hereby declare that I am in possession of a firearm on property owned/controlled by the University and I will comply with the requirements listed above.

Name (Print): _____

Job Title: _____

Signature: _____