# **DUTIES OF CITIZENS: VERSION 005**

## **PARTICIPATING IN POLITICS**

- 1. Political participation though degree varies widely
- 2. Participate in public hearings
- 3. Voting
- 4. Contribute to more than one interest group
- 5. Speak out on public issues
- 6. Defend the Constitution
- 7. Be an active participant in Democracy

## **ENGAGE COMMUNITY**

- 1. participating in community meetings
- 2. Serve on a jury
- 3. Support local community organizations
- 4. Be a good neighbor
- 5. Volunteer to be active in your community
- Make economic contracts and engage in business transactions

#### **FOLLOWING THE LAW**

- 1. Pay taxes
- 2. Owes allegiance to its (his/her/their) government
- 3. Obeying the law of the land
- 4. Respect the rights of others
- 5. Respect the property of others
- Uphold the idea that all people are equal and should not be discriminated against
- 7. Defend the just laws
- 8. Oppose unjust laws
- 9. Protect the civil rights of others

## **MILITARY & GOVERNMENT**

- 1. Military service
- 2. Enlist in the armed forces when needed
- 3. Active service in government
- 4. Be willing to risk your life in defense of the country
- 5. Loyalty to the country

## IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT

- 1. Protect the environment
- 2. Recycling
- 3. Supporting businesses with sustainable products
- 4. Using less energy
- 5. Help maintain public spaces

## **BE INFORMED**

- 1. Be informed about the world around you
- 2. Stay maximally informed
- 3. Educate themselves about complex issues
- 4. Make informed opinions
- 5. Be an enlightened citizen
- 6. Pursue education
- 7. Acquire knowledge that benefits the community

## PERSONALITY STUFF

- 1. Be honest and trustworthy / tell the truth
- 2. Being responsible
- 3. Be compassionate
- 4. Provide leadership
- 5. Take responsibility for your actions

## **CHARITY TO OTHERS**

- 1. Giving back and helping others
- 2. Support charities
- 3. Volunteering their time

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 1. Participate in public life
- 2. Guard against fascism and totalitarianism
- 3. Work
- 4. Fight evil, defined as avoiding causing harm
- 5. Protect the civil rights of others