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# Policy for preservation of Fauna on University campus

#### Introduction:

Fauna plays a crucial role in maintaining the ecological balance and enhancing the biodiversity of a university campus. As such, this policy aims to ensure the conservation, management, and sustainable development of the fauna on the university campus.

## **Policy Statement:**

The university is committed to preserving and enhancing the fauna on its campus through the implementation of sustainable practices, the conservation of native species, and the promotion of biodiversity.

### **Policy Goals:**

The goals of this policy are to:

- 1. Promote the conservation and management of the fauna on the university campus, including the conservation of native species and the promotion of biodiversity.
- 2. Implement sustainable practices in the management of fauna on campus.
- 3. Foster an appreciation of the natural environment among students, faculty, and staff.

### **Policy Measures:**

To achieve the goals of this policy, the university will implement the following measures:

- 1. Habitat Conservation: The university will promote the conservation of native habitats on campus, including the restoration of natural habitats and the creation of new habitats where appropriate.
- 2. Biodiversity Promotion: The university will promote biodiversity on campus by maintaining a diverse range of fauna species and ecosystems. The university will also prioritize the creation of wildlife-friendly habitats, such as birdhouses, bat boxes, and bee hotels.
- 3. Sustainable Practices: The university will implement sustainable practices in the management of fauna on campus, such as reducing the use of pesticides and employing integrated pest management practices.
- 4. Campus Design: The university will ensure that all campus development projects are designed to be sustainable and maximize the benefits of the fauna on campus. The university will prioritize the use of native species in landscaping and development projects.

5. Education and Awareness: The university will promote an appreciation of the natural environment among students, faculty, and staff by offering educational programs and events related to fauna conservation and biodiversity.

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- 6. Monitoring and Reporting: The university will periodically monitor the health and diversity of the fauna on campus and report on the status of the fauna to the relevant authorities and stakeholders.
- 7. Animal Welfare: The university will ensure that all interactions with wildlife on campus are conducted in a humane and responsible manner. The university will work with local animal welfare organizations and relevant authorities to ensure the welfare of wildlife on campus.
- 8. Management of invasive species: The university could implement a program to manage invasive species on campus. Invasive species can disrupt ecosystems and harm native wildlife, so it's important to manage them in a responsible and sustainable manner.
- Wildlife-friendly infrastructure: The university could design its infrastructure to be wildlifefriendly. For example, the university could install bird-friendly glass on buildings to reduce bird collisions or install special lighting to reduce the impact on nocturnal wildlife.
- 10. Collaboration with local conservation organizations: The university could collaborate with local conservation organizations to promote the conservation and management of fauna on campus. These organizations can provide expertise and resources to help the university implement its policy on fauna preservation.
- 11. Citizen science programs: The university could involve students, faculty, and staff in citizen science programs related to fauna conservation. Citizen science programs allow people to contribute to scientific research and monitoring efforts, which can help inform conservation efforts.
- 12. Promote sustainable land use practices: The university could promote sustainable land use practices on campus, such as reducing the amount of impervious surfaces and implementing green infrastructure. Sustainable land use practices can help support the health and diversity of fauna on campus.
- 13. Research and monitoring: The university could prioritize research and monitoring efforts related to the fauna on campus. This could include conducting surveys of wildlife populations and monitoring the impact of development projects on the local ecosystem.

#### Review:

The policy shall be reviewed periodically by the Biodiversity Committee. Based on the review, amendments may be proposed to improve the policy's effectiveness. Any amendment in the policy shall be duly proposed by the committee, and finally, the approving authority shall be the Vice Chancellor.

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