MINNESOTA COUPLES ON THE BRINK PROJECT – DISCLOSURES

- 1. The screeners, coaches, educators, therapists, and others facilitating the Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project are not lawyers and do not provide legal advice. Please consult with an attorney or visit the Court Self-Help Center in your county if you have questions about the legal issues in your divorce.
- 2. The Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project is not a project of the Minnesota Judicial Branch, and participation in the Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project does not relieve participating parties from any obligations they may have in an ongoing divorce case. If you have initiated the legal divorce process, you may wish to consider having your case placed on inactive status or arranging a legal separation while you are working on reconciliation.
- 3. By participating in the Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project, the parties agree that they will not seek to use in any court proceeding any statements made by the other party or a facilitator at any meeting facilitated by personnel affiliated with the Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project. They also agree that they will not call as witnesses or seek to obtain for court purposes any of the notes or documents prepared by any of the personnel affiliated with the Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project.
- 4. Any information provided to the Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project by participants will remain confidential. However, in order to provide effective service, the screeners, coaches, therapists and other personnel affiliated with the Project may need to share client information with each other. Participants in the Minnesota Couples on the Brink Project hereby grant permission to these professionals to share client information with each other, but not outside the Project.
- 5. The Project would also like to share couples' stories of hope and change, without identifying information, in order to educate professionals and the public. Participants hereby grant permission for their story to be part of the learnings of the Project to be shared anonymously and without identifying information for educational purposes.

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