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# Donor Bill of Rights

Philanthropy is based on voluntary action for the common good. It is a tradition of giving and sharing that is essential to the protection of natural spaces and the promotion of environmental stewardship. To ensure that philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the Quetico Foundation, we declare that all donors have the following rights:

1. To be informed of the Quetico Foundation's mission, the way it intends to use donated resources, and its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes.
2. To be informed of the identity of those serving on the Quetico Foundation's Board of Directors and to expect the Board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.
3. To have access to the Foundation's Annual Donor Newsletter (Annual Report).
4. To be assured that their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.
5. To receive appropriate acknowledgment and recognition or remain anonymous if requested.
6. To be assured that information about their donations is handled with respect and confidentiality to the extent provided by law.
7. To expect that all relationships with individuals representing the Quetico Foundation will be professional in nature.
8. To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of the organization, or hired solicitors.
9. To have the opportunity for their names to be removed from the Quetico Foundation's mailing lists. The Foundation does not sell or share donor information with outside parties.
10. To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful, and forthright answers.

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