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INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION
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**Inclusion of Breast Cancer Paddlers National Team Class
at the IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships
approved by the IDBF Executive Committee and Council**

WHEREAS, during the IDBF 4th World Cup held in Miluo, the President of the German Dragon Boat Association (DDV), Ute Becker Frenzel, met with Meri Gibson, Chair of the International Breast Cancer Paddlers Commission (IBCPC), and Claudio Schermi, President of the International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF), to discuss the potential inclusion of a Breast Cancer Paddlers (BCP) National Team Class in the upcoming 17th IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships in Brandenburg, Germany, in 2025;

WHEREAS, this request is grounded in the ongoing commitment of the IDBF to inclusivity and support for all paddlers, recognizing the significant role of breast cancer paddling teams in promoting health, resilience, and community among survivors worldwide;

WHEREAS, the IBCPC Chair Meri Gibson, the IDBF President Claudio Schermi and the President of the hosting championships member federation Ute Becker Frenzel have expressed their support for this initiative, acknowledging its importance in furthering awareness and inclusivity within the dragon boating community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the IDBF provisionally allows the inclusion of the Breast Cancer Paddlers National Team Class at the next IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships in Brandenburg, Germany, in 2025.

This provisional inclusion will enable the IDBF to gather feedback, evaluate the feasibility of permanent inclusion, and support the BCP community in their participation, underlining the IDBF's commitment to providing competitive opportunities for all members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this new class will adhere to IDBF rules and standards to ensure fair competition and integration within the championship framework.

Adopted this 23rd November, 2024

Claudio Schermi | IDBF President

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