Consent Form: Saluki Speech Exploratory Study

My name is Shannon McCrocklin. I am a faculty member at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. With a team of programmers (Claire Fettig and Simon Markus) and content creators (Rachel Stuckel and Sarah Seymour) we have created this site, Saluki Speech, and plan to collect data about language learning through it. We are asking for your consent to collect your user data through this site.

What is Required to Participate? Any learner of English is welcome to use this site! Only data from adult learners (over the age of 18) will be included in analysis for research.

Procedure: If you agree to provide your data, you will be asked to provide a bit of information about yourself as you set up your account. That data, logs of your language practice activities, and feedback you provide through the site will be tracked for later analysis. You may be prompted at times during your practice to fill out short questionnaires about the site.

Risks or Possible Discomforts Associated with the Study: There are no anticipated risks associated with your participation in this study beyond those that could be expected of daily life.

Benefits of Participation: By agreeing to provide your data for the research study, you can practice your English pronunciation with the site whenever you would like. The website uses research-supported practices to help you identify pronunciation problems in your speech, practice and improve your pronunciation, and help you increase your intelligibility in English.

Compensation: There is no monetary compensation for participating in this study.

Voluntary Participation: Your participation in this study is voluntary; you may discontinue your participation at any time without penalty. If, for any reason, you decide that you would like to discontinue your participation, you can simply stop using the website. You may also close your account and contact the primary researcher, Dr. Shannon McCrocklin at Shannon.mccrocklin@siu.edu) to request that your existing data not be included in any future analyses.

Confidentiality: All of the data collected through the site will be kept confidential and no identifying information about users will be shared through publications or presentations. You can help to keep your identity anonymous by choosing a username that is not linked to your actual given or family name.

Who to Contact for Research Related Questions: If you have any questions about the study, please contact the primary researcher with questions at any time:

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Project Review: This project has been reviewed and approved by the SIUC Human Subjects Committee. Questions concerning your rights as a participant in this research may be addressed to the Committee Chairperson, Office of Sponsored Projects Administration, SIUC, Carbondale, IL 62901-4709. Phone (618) 453-4533. E-mail: siuhsc@siu.edu