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🧾 N.E.X.U.S. Collaboration Agreement

Version 1.0 – Draft for Early Contributors

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Project: N.E.X.U.S. (Nanobot-Enabled eXperiential Universal System)

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1. Purpose

This agreement defines the terms under which collaborators may contribute to the N.E.X.U.S. project. The goal is to responsibly develop the concept of ethical nanobot-based human augmentation with privacy, autonomy, and health enhancement as core values.

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2. Ownership

The original concept, documentation, and intellectual framework for N.E.X.U.S. are the sole intellectual property of Joshua Robert Matney.

Contributions from collaborators do not transfer ownership of the core idea unless otherwise agreed to in writing.

Contributors will receive appropriate credit and optional co-authorship based on the significance of their input.

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3. Scope of Collaboration

Contributions may include: research, prototyping, technical advice, design, ethical consultation, writing, or strategic support.

All collaborators agree that their input is provided in good faith and aligned with the ethical and humanitarian goals of the project.

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4. Confidentiality

Collaborators agree not to share any unpublished or non-public materials related to N.E.X.U.S. outside the collaboration group unless given written permission.

Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDAs) may be issued for sensitive or proprietary work in later phases.

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5. Licensing & Future IP

Any tools, models, or code produced collaboratively will remain under the license or structure agreed to by all active contributors.

Joshua Robert Matney reserves the right to file for patents or trademarks related to the original concept or future implementations.

Contributors may be included in future filings if their work materially affects the patentable elements.

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6. No Compensation (for now)

At this early stage, participation is voluntary and unpaid.

If funding, sponsorships, or revenue opportunities arise, a revised agreement will be negotiated to ensure fairness and equity.

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7. Termination

Any party may leave the collaboration at any time.

Prior contributions remain protected under this agreement, and the departing collaborator may request to be credited or anonymized.

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8. Contact

For questions or collaboration interest:

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