



**Exhibit A**  
**Certification Form**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that I am eligible for programming under the Economic Equity Investment Program (EEIP) because I meet the following risk factors (check applicable boxes):

- Experience of discrimination because of race or ethnicity.
  - Beneficiaries will self-attest.
  
- English language proficiency.
  - Means a language other than English is spoken within the beneficiary's home.
  
- Residence or operation in a rural location.
  - Refers to a person who lives or operates a business in Oregon that is "entirely outside the acknowledged Portland Metropolitan Regional Urban Growth Boundary and the acknowledged urban growth boundaries of cities with populations of 30,000 or more." OR located on an Indian Reservation.
  
- Socioeconomic status.
  - Refers to a person or household whose combined income is no more than 100% of the area median income, adjusted for family size, based on the most recent HUD data - [https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il/il2022/select\\_Geography.odn](https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il/il2022/select_Geography.odn)

I certify that I will use any funding from this EEIP program for the purposes set forth in the Economic Equity Investment Program Grant Agreement between State of Oregon, acting through its Oregon Business Development Department, and Nixyaawii Community Financial Services.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_