MEN STANDING UP….AND SITTING DOWN
Youth Pledge
National Compadres Network Campaign
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As a young person and member of my family and community, I recognize that I contribute to my
and my community’s health, happiness, and future. The decisions and actions I make today can
make a positive difference and improve the community for the next generation. I recognize that
I set a positive example as a young person which will have an incredible impact on the lives of
children in my family and community. Therefore, today I pledge that I will fulfill this role in a manner
that benefits me, my family, and, community by committing to the following principles:

• Be a young person that understands that my most prized possession is the value of my
  word and through my actions be true to my word.
• Make it my priority to take care of my physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual health.
• Nurture my personal gifts and talents so that I can uncover the positive purpose of my
  life that will benefit all those in my Circle.
• Recognize that my identity as a young person is not about violence or taking advantage
  of others but of being caring and responsible.
• Will contribute to making my community one of peace and will not tolerate violence.
• Will recognize that the use of emotional, sexual, physical, mental, or economic abuse
  against members of my family or community cannot be tolerated.
• Will discover and nurture my voice so that I can speak up against injustice and oppression
  even when it is more comfortable to say nothing.
• Recognize that children are sacred and will be a positive example to them and treat
  them with care, love, and dignity.
• Recognize that I am worthy of being treated with care, love, and respect and seek
  support and counsel from those that recognize my positive purpose.
• Will take time for introspection and reflection and include positive traditions in my life so
  I can connect with my cultural and/or spiritual traditions.
• Will live these values honestly and with love so that I can achieve my personal goals,
  nurture my family, and be a reflection of goodness to my community.

By signing this pledge, I will work each day to fulfill the actions of these principles and will seek to
build or maintain myself as a young person who understands the honor of being a PERSON of
Responsibility.

Signed: ________________________________ Date: __________________

Name ________________________________
Organization __________________________
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