



THE 500-MILE CONTRACT

Between

hereinafter referred to as "Student," and

hereinafter referred to as "Parent(s)."

I/We, the parent(s) of _____, do hereby agree that if the student attends Southern Methodist University (SMU), I/we will act as though the student is 500 miles from home. This will mean that I/we will not drop in on him/her. Nor will I/we expect to see the student at times other than those weekends or holiday occasions on which a student who attends a university 500 miles from home would normally be expected to return to his or her parents' house. Telephone calls are certainly allowable as they would be were the student 500 miles away.

Similarly, the student cannot bring home dirty laundry or drop by for money, food or any other need. The responsible behavior expected of students who are attending a university 500 miles from home would also be required under this agreement.

Should either of these parties signing this document violate on a regular basis the understanding that both parent(s) and student are to conduct themselves as if they were 500 miles apart, then the student or the parent(s) are free to call President R. Gerald Turner to ask for his assistance. President Turner pledges to call the offending parent or student to reestablish the intention of this 500-mile contract.

The restrictions of this 500-mile contract can terminate under joint agreement by both the student and the parent(s).

AGREED to this _____ day of _____, _____.

Student: _____ Parent(s): _____
