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**TINNITUS QUESTIONNAIRE**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1. What does your tinnitus (sounds in your ears) sound like? **Please circle all that apply**

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|-------------|----------------------------|
| A) Ringing  | E) Hissing                 |
| B) Buzzing  | F) Pulsating               |
| C) Roaring  | G) Cricket / Locust Sounds |
| D) Clicking | H) Other (describe) _____  |

2. Is the sound in the right, left or both ears?      Right \_\_\_\_\_ Left \_\_\_\_\_ Both \_\_\_\_\_

3. When did your tinnitus begin? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How often do you have tinnitus? **Please circle all that apply**

DAILY      WEEKLY      MONTHLY      CONSTANTLY      OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

5. If you do not have tinnitus **constantly**, approximately how long does it last in hours and/or minutes?

Hours \_\_\_\_\_      Minutes \_\_\_\_\_

6. List what you think may have caused your tinnitus. Examples include cold or other illness, ear infection, ear or head injury, exposure to loud noise, etc.

7. The severity of my Tinnitus in its worse form, according to the scale below, is represented by the number:

|      |   |   |          |   |   |                  |   |   |    |
|------|---|---|----------|---|---|------------------|---|---|----|
| 1    | 2 | 3 | 4        | 5 | 6 | 7                | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| mild |   |   | moderate |   |   | extremely severe |   |   |    |

8. My Tinnitus appears worse:

- |                            |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. When I am tired         | D. After use of alcohol |
| B. When I am tense/nervous | E. Other _____          |
| C. When I am relaxed       |                         |

9. Do you smoke (circle one) YES or NO

- 1) If so, for how long have being a smoker? \_\_\_\_\_ years
- 2) If so, how many cigarettes per day? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Do you drink coffee (circle one) YES or NO

1) If so, how many cups per day? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Circle any of the following items which give you any relief from your Tinnitus:

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|----------------------------|------------------------|
| A. Listening to radio/T.V. | D. Medication _____    |
| B. Traffic sounds          | E. Changes in altitude |
| C. Sounds of running water | F. Other _____         |

12. Have you ever received a head injury? YES or NO

1) If so, were you knocked unconscious? YES or NO

2) How long ago was the incident? \_\_\_\_\_ years

13. Have you been exposed to loud sounds? YES or NO

1) If yes, explain briefly \_\_\_\_\_

14. Do you wear ear protection in noisy places? YES or NO

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