Micronaut Trademark Policy

PURPOSE. The word "Micronaut®" and all Micronaut logos, trade dress, images, and designs are proprietary assets owned by Object Computing, Inc. (Object Computing or OCI) and registered trademarks in various jurisdictions. Use and management of Micronaut trademarks is overseen by Object Computing and the Micronaut Foundation.

Trademarks protect not only the rights of those that own the marks, but also the community that relies on and uses the product or service, such as the Micronaut framework and its underlying open source software. Trademarks and brand standards provide community members confidence in the quality and capabilities represented by the Micronaut brand.

We created this Policy to describe the purpose of trademarks and to establish how and when you may use the Micronaut® trademarks. In doing so, we strive to balance two competing interests: (1) the need to ensure the Micronaut trademarks remain reliable indicators of their quality and origin; and (2) the desire to foster use, engagement, innovation, and appropriate governance where the Micronaut framework is being used or referenced.

Definitions:

MICRONAUT TRADEMARKS. Micronaut trademarks include the word "Micronaut", each Micronaut logo and other word/logo combinations identified here, and various other marks adopted by Object Computing from time to time.

COMMUNITY USERS. "Community Users" means all individuals or other entities other than Commercial Users, defined below. Community Users may use the Micronaut logos without prior written consent, so long as such use complies with this Policy and both these statements are true: (1) the users are not acting on behalf or under the direction of a Commercial User, and (2) the logos are not being published on any medium (e.g., website, other publication) that is owned or controlled by a Commercial User.

COMMERCIAL USERS. "Commercial Users" means individuals or other entities with gross revenues of $5,000,000 (USD) or greater. Commercial Users may not use, reproduce, advertise, display, publish, or transmit any Micronaut logo without Object Computing's prior written consent. Any permitted use of Micronaut logos by Commercial Users granted by OCI in writing must comply with this Policy, the Brand Guidelines, and the terms and conditions of such license agreement. Absent such license agreement, Commercial Users do not have permission to use Micronaut logos. Request a license.

> For example, Commercial Users delivering for-profit training on the Micronaut framework may use the Micronaut word marks in accordance with this Trademark Policy, yet may not use the Micronaut logos in such training, without first gaining consent to do so from Object Computing. Request a license

WHEN YOU CAN USE MICRONAUT TRADEMARKS WITHOUT ASKING.

If you

1. **Are a Community User**, <u>and</u>

2. **Use the Micronaut Trademarks in accordance with this Policy and the [Brand Guidelines](#)**,

Here are some ways you may use Micronaut trademarks:

§ To identify the origin of the software that you are providing/referencing (i.e. that the code you are distributing is a modified version of our software or built on our platform/framework.) You may say, for example, "this software is built on the Micronaut® framework."

§ To describe the relationship between your product and/or service and the Micronaut framework.

§ For knowledge sharing purposes about the Micronaut framework and Micronaut.io, as long as it is clear that you are not speaking on behalf of the Micronaut Foundation or Object Computing and that you (or any Person you are employed by or acting on behalf of) are not affiliated with the Micronaut Foundation or Object Computing.

§ To make or illustrate truthful statements about the Micronaut framework in technical blogs, social media, news reports, and commentary. For example, we encourage you to write a news article promoting that your organization has created code that is part of the Micronaut framework, so long as you do not suggest you are speaking on behalf of Micronaut Foundation. If you wish to request a joint announcement, please contact us at marketing@micronaut.io.

§ For events that promote Micronaut Foundation's open source mission and will be largely attended by other open source community members. Examples of such events are hackathons, meetups, or other technical talks. This provision does not allow you to use the Micronaut trademarks for any commercial purpose, and we reserve the right to ask for the Micronaut trademarks to be removed from any promotional materials at our discretion. If you would like to use the Micronaut trademarks for a commercial purpose, [request a license](#) (It's a super quick & simple process!).

§ In publications, such as books or magazines, or in connection with the presentations and publications that are displayed to the public, provided that:

> o Such use is referring to the Micronaut framework and not speaking for the creators of Micronaut or Object Computing.

> o The Micronaut trademarks are not used to promote your own products and services.

> o Your name or mark and logo shall appear in a prominent location on the cover or the title page of the publication and shall be featured with greater prominence than the Micronaut trademarks.

> o You attribute the Micronaut trademarks with the proper symbol and trademark notice.

§ In association with hardware devices, on the condition that the software installed on the device is modified only so far as necessary to operate on the hardware platforms and the essential functions of the software are unchanged, and that you do not suggest that Micronaut software is the source of the hardware device itself, but rather that the Micronaut software is incorporated into the device.

BASIC TRADEMARK GUIDELINES. The following trademark guidelines govern the ways in which you may and may not use the Micronaut trademarks:

§ The word Micronaut in paragraph text should always be printed with the "M" capitalized and the remainder of the name in lowercase. In headings, the word may be printed in all caps.

§ The first use of the word "Micronaut" in running text should always be followed by the registered trademark symbol ($^{®}$).

§ You should prominently disclose the following trademark notice in close proximity (a footnote on the same page is sufficient) to the first instance of your use of the word Micronaut: "Micronaut$^{®}$ is a registered trademark of Object Computing, Inc. Use is for referential purposes and does not imply any endorsement or affiliation with any third-party product. Unauthorized use is strictly prohibited."

§ You may not use the word Micronaut as a verb or a noun. It should be used only as an adjective followed by a noun (e.g., "I love using the Micronaut$^{®}$ framework," not "I love using Micronaut!").

§ You may not use the word Micronaut in the plural or possessive form.

§ You may not alter or amend the word Micronaut in any way. It should not be combined with any other mark, hyphenated, abbreviated, or displayed in parts.

§ You may not use one or more Micronaut trademarks, or anything similar, in the name or logo of forked software projects without written permission. [Request a license](#) (It's a super quick & simple process!).

§ You may not use the Micronaut name, logos or marks to link to any website other than micronaut.io or a Micronaut organization github repo.

§ You may not use the Micronaut trademarks in a manner that disparages Object Computing or its technology or damages the brand integrity. This includes use of the Micronaut trademarks in a manner that is, in OCI's opinion, offensive, defamatory, illegal or unethical (e.g., untruthful advertising, false/misleading promotional materials, etc.)

§ You may not use the Micronaut marks to directly or indirectly state or imply that the Micronaut Foundation and/or OCI endorses, or supports your company, products, or services, or to imply endorsement by or affiliation with the Micronaut framework, OCI, or the Micronaut Foundation.

§ You may not use the Micronaut marks to directly or indirectly state or imply that you are representing the Micronaut Foundation and/or that you and/or your employer are affiliated with the owners of the Micronaut marks and their agents.

§ You may not directly or indirectly refer to a product or service as being certified or otherwise having any relationship by or with OCI unless your organization has successfully undergone the requisite compliance testing and has explicit authorization to disclose such relationship.

§ You may not attempt to claim or assert any ownership rights in any of the Micronaut trademarks, and do not attempt to register any of the Micronaut name or marks as a trademark, trade name, domain name, or "doing business as" name, alone or in combination with your own trademarks.

§ You may not use trademarks or other content that is confusingly similar to the Micronaut trademarks (including use variations, foreign language equivalent or abbreviation of the Micronaut trademarks for any purpose.)

SUBMISSIONS. We invite and encourage our growing community to submit news, articles, and other information to the Micronaut Foundation so that we can share it with our community through Micronaut.io in a way that complies with this Policy. We are happy to work with you and your organization to craft content in a way that accurately promotes and credits your organization for its contributions to the Micronaut framework.

TRADEMARK MISUSE. Fighting trademark misuse is very important to us. If you have any doubt about your permissible use of the word Micronaut, or if you are aware of a breach or misuse of Micronaut trademarks in any way, we would appreciate you bringing this to our attention. Please contact us at legal@micronaut.io so that we can investigate further.

SUMMARY. The Micronaut word mark, Micronaut logo mark, Micronaut Data logo, Micronaut Launch logo, Micronaut Foundation logo, Micronaut Microcast logo, Sally the astronaut, and any other graphic representations of Micronaut-related products and entities (Micronaut trademarks) are proprietary assets owned by Object Computing, Inc.

Use of these assets by Community Users, as defined above, is permitted as long as such use complies with this Trademark Policy and the Brand Guidelines.

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