

STATEMENT OF DAVID SCHILLING

I am releasing this statement as I hope to bring awareness to a very dangerous situation. On January 21, 2021, I was rendered a quadriplegic at an indoor skydiving at an iFLY facility. I believed this would be a fun experience under the instruction of iFLY instructors. While in the wind tunnel, I became unstable where an iFLY instructor failed to intervene to assist me. While unstable, I crashed headfirst into the glass which caused a catastrophic spinal cord injury that rendered me a quadriplegic. iFLY markets this activity as very safe and for children as young as three years old, but conversely maintains a legal document calling this an inherently dangerous activity. Had I known that an instructor would not have assisted me, I of course would have never participated, and my life clearly would be different today. iFLY facilities should close until the company makes it apparent to people, people such as parents that plan on hosting a children's birthday party, that iFLY in fact does not consider this a safe activity but instead one that is inherently dangerous.