CREDO

I believe that the cosmos is all that is or ever was or ever will be.

I bel ieve that no other real ity, divine or otherwise, exists. There is no life after death, no meaning to life apart from life, and no events or experiences, individual s or scriptures by which any supra-natural reality can be revealed. The cosmos forms the boundary of our experience.

I bel ieve that human I ife has no meaning apart from itsel f: that while there is purpose in I ife, there is no purpose to I ife. There is no ul timate justice, no final act of grace and no salvation. This is not a providential universe.

I bel ieve that not everything is permissible. For while that which increases happiness is not all ways a good, that which increases misery is all ways an evil.

I believe that by the deployment of human reason and the acquisition of knowledge, by the development of moral law and the cultivation of compassion, the suffering of humanity can be alleviated and the condition of our lives improved.

I bel ieve that the path to individual and coll ective happiness lies in being educated to reality, and in being thus released from the irresponsible and pernicious illusion of religion, for which there is neither evidence nor need.