# DECLARATION RELATING TO LIFE-SUSTAINING PROCEDURES (Living Will) AND DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS (Medical Power of Attorney)

I. DECLARATION RELATING TO LIFE-SUSTAINING PROCEDURES

If I should have an incurable or irreversible condition that will result either in death within a relatively short period of time or a state of permanent unconsciousness from which, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, there can be no recovery, it is my desire that my life not be prolonged by the administration of life-sustaining procedures. If I am unable to participate in my health care decisions, I direct my attending physician to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining procedures that merely prolong the dying process and are not necessary to my comfort or freedom from pain.

This declaration is subject to any specific instructions or statement of desires I have added in "Additional Provisions" below.

II. POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS

I,_____, born_____, designate

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(Type or Print) Name of Agent, Street Address, City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number

as my attorney in fact (my agent) and give to my agent the power to make health care decisions for me. This power exists only when I am unable, in the judgment of my attending physician, to make those health care decisions. The attorney in fact must act consistently with my desires as stated in this document or otherwise made known.

Except as otherwise specified in this document, this document gives my agent the power, where otherwise consistent with the laws of the State of Iowa, to consent to my physician not giving health care or stopping health care which is necessary to keep me alive.

This document gives my agent power to make health care decisions on my behalf, including to consent, to refuse to consent, or to withdraw consent to any care, treatment, service, or procedure to maintain, diagnose, or treat a physical or mental condition. This power is subject to any statement of my desires and any limitations included in this document.

I hereby revoke all prior Durable Powers Of Attorney for Health Care Decision.

OPTIONAL: If the person designated as agent above is unable to serve, I designate the following person to serve instead:

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(Type or Print) Name of Alternate, Street Address, City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number

OPTIONAL: ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS - Insert specific instructions or statement of desires (if any):

YES__ NO__ In the event that medical professionals determine that I may be an organ donor, I agree to the use of life-sustaining procedures, including a ventilator, for the sole purpose and time period required to complete the organ donation. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to expand or detract from the laws related to anatomical gifts as outlined in the Iowa Code, Chapter 142C. The purpose of this paragraph is to practically and medically make organ donation possible.

## AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION TO NOMINATED HEALTH CARE ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Pursuant to the terms of a Durable Power of Attorney, Health Care Decisions, (or Combined Living Will and Medical Power of Attorney) (HCPOA) dated _____, in which the undersigned is the grantor, the power becomes effective in the event of my disability or incapacity.

## AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION:

I authorize any physician, health care professional, dentist, health plan, hospital, clinic, laboratory, pharmacy, or other covered health care provider, any insurance company and the Medical Information Bureau, Inc., or other health care clearinghouse that has provided treatment or services to me or that has paid for or is seeking payment from me for such services, to give, disclose, and release to the person or persons designated in this document to act as my agent such of my individually identifiable health information and medical records regarding any past, present or future medical or mental health condition

(including all specially protected health information relating to each of the following conditions specifically authorized by me to be disclosed by marking the box with an "X" or a check mark:

___ sexually transmitted diseases, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV);
___ behavioral and mental health;
___ alcohol, drug and other substance abuse); and
___ genetic-related information.

_____ _____
Signature of Principal Date

relating to my ability to make health care decisions. The purpose of this request is to assist in determining whether the person designated to act as my agent should act as my agent. This authorization expires when I die or when revoked by me by a written revocation signed by me and delivered to the entity from which information is being requested prior to the time information is being requested.

I understand I can revoke this authorization by delivering a written statement of revocation to any entity I have authorized to give, disclose and release information. The revocation is effective only as to those entities to whom the written statement revocation is given and only after the time of delivery. I also understand that I have the right to inspect the disclosed information at any time. My treatment, payment, enrollment or eligibility for benefits with an entity that I have authorized to release information is not conditioned on my signing this authorization. I know that once the information I have authorized to be released is released it is subject to re-disclosure by the recipient and is no longer protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, as amended from time to time.

## THE AUTHORITY TO ACT AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

In addition to the other powers granted by the HCPOA, I grant to my agent the power and authority to serve as my personal representative for all purposes of the Health Insurance Portability and

Accountability Act of 1996, as amended from time to time, and its regulations (HIPAA) during any time that my agent (hereinafter referred to in subsequent clauses of this paragraph as my "HIPAA personal representative") is exercising authority under this document.

Pursuant to HIPAA, I specifically authorize my HIPAA personal representative to request, receive and review any information regarding my physical or mental health, including without limitation all HIPAA-protected health information, medical and hospital records; to execute on my behalf any authorizations, releases, or other documents that may be required in order to obtain this information and to consent to the disclosure of this information. I further authorize my HIPAA personal representative to execute on my behalf any documents necessary or desirable to implement the health care decisions that my HIPAA personal representative is authorized to make under the HCPOA.

Dated on _____.

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, Grantor