

AUTHORIZATION OF DISINTERMENT

1. **PARTIES:**

"FUNERAL HOME": _____

(Name of Funeral Home)

"REPRESENTATIVE": _____

(Use Reverse Side
for Additional Names)

(Name of Representative)

"DECEDENT": _____

(Name of Decedent)

"CEMETERY": _____

(Name of Cemetery where Disinterment will Occur)

"FINAL DISPOSITION": _____

(Name of Place for the Final Disposition of the Remains)

2. **RELATIONSHIP OF REPRESENTATIVE:** The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to the FUNERAL HOME that the relationship between the REPRESENTATIVE and the DECEDENT is as follows: (Check the appropriate box)

- Spouse
- Next-of-Kin (Closest Living Relative)
- Personal Representative of the Next-of-Kin with written authorization of Next-of-Kin to act on his or her behalf.
- Other: _____

3. **AUTHORIZATION TO DISINTER:** The REPRESENTATIVE authorizes and directs the FUNERAL HOME to coordinate and assist in obtaining the disinterment of the remains of DECEDENT from the CEMETERY, to arrange the transportation of the remains to the place of FINAL DISPOSITION, and to coordinate the FINAL DISPOSITION as set forth in Section 4 below. By executing this Authorization, the REPRESENTATIVE agrees to be legally responsible for all costs and fees incurred in the disinterment, transportation and FINAL DISPOSITION of the remains of the DECEDENT.

4. **FINAL DISPOSITION:** The REPRESENTATIVE provides the following instructions as to the FINAL DISPOSITION of the remains of the DECEDENT:

5. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE:** The REPRESENTATIVE acknowledges and agrees that the FUNERAL HOME has warned REPRESENTATIVE that due to several factors, including, but not limited to, the length of time the remains have been interred, the soil conditions and water level in the cemetery, and the quality and construction of the vault and casket, that there can be no assurances made regarding the current conditions of the remains, casket or vault. Additionally, the process of

disinterment itself, which involves the use of heavy machinery, may also cause damage and disturbance to the remains, the casket or the vault. As a result of the disinterment, it may be necessary for the REPRESENTATIVE to purchase a substitute vault and/or casket. The REPRESENTATIVE acknowledges and agrees that FUNERAL HOME has warned REPRESENTATIVE of these risks and the REPRESENTATIVE understands them and agrees to assume them.

6. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The REPRESENTATIVE agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the FUNERAL HOME, its owners, employees and agents from any and all claims or causes of action, including, but not limited to, claims for property damage, harm to the remains, and emotional distress, arising or related in any respect to the disinterment of the DECEDENT.

DATE:

REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:

ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Name

Relationship to Decedent

Signature
