

DIRECTIONS TO WITHHOLD EMBALMING

1. **PARTIES:**

"FUNERAL HOME": _____

(Name of Funeral Home)

"REPRESENTATIVE": _____

(Use Reverse Side
for Additional Names)

(Name of Representative)

"DECEDENT": _____

(Name of Decedent)

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. **AUTHORITY OF REPRESENTATIVE:** The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to FUNERAL HOME that the REPRESENTATIVE is the person or the appointed agent of the person who by law has the paramount right to arrange and direct the disposition of the remains of the DECEDENT and that no other person(s) has a superior right over the right of the REPRESENTATIVE.

4. **DIRECTIONS TO WITHHOLD EMBALMING:** The REPRESENTATIVE directs the FUNERAL HOME not to embalm the body of the DECEDENT. The FUNERAL HOME is authorized by the REPRESENTATIVE to wash and disinfect the body of the DECEDENT.

5. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The REPRESENTATIVE agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the FUNERAL HOME from any claims or causes of action arising or related in any respect to this direction to withhold embalming of the body of the DECEDENT or the FUNERAL HOME's reliance thereon.

DATE:

SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE:

ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Name

Relationship to Decedent

Signature
