

**DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY****FOR MANAGEMENT OF PROPERTY AND PERSONAL AFFAIRS**

I, Geraldine F. Austin, a resident of Siskiyou County, California, appoint Barbara Giacomelli, who resides at 2027 Lighthill Road, Fort Jones CA 96032, whose telephone number is (530) 468-5224 and whose cellular phone number is (530) 598-1891, as my attorney in fact. In the event Barbara Giacomelli is unable or unwilling to serve as my attorney in fact or if I revoke her appointment, I hereby appoint James E. Giacomelli who resides in Redding, California and whose telephone number is (530) 223-9316 as my attorney in fact.

I intend to create a Durable Power of Attorney (herein referred to as "this Power") pursuant to California Probate Code Section 4000 and following, specifically including the Uniform Durable Power of Attorney Act but specifically not including Section 4600 and following relating to health care. This Power is effective immediately upon its execution and shall not be affected by my subsequent disability or incapacity.

I give my attorney in fact the powers in Article One and elsewhere in this Power with the understanding that they will be used for my benefit and on my behalf and will be exercised only in a fiduciary capacity.

**ARTICLE ONE****POWERS**

1.1. Real Property Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All of the powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any interest in real property, that I own when this Power is executed or that is acquired thereafter, whether the real property is located in this state or elsewhere, including but not limited to all real

property located at 2145 Applegate Ave., Klamath Falls, Oregon and all real property, improvements thereon and subsurface rights including gas, oil and mineral rights located in Toole County Montana:

(a) Acquisition. Accept as a gift or as security for a loan, reject, demand, buy, lease, receive, or otherwise acquire an interest in real property or a right incident to real property.

(b) Transfer. Sell, exchange, convey with or without covenants, quitclaim, release, surrender, mortgage, encumber, partition or consent to the partitioning of, subdivide, apply for zoning, rezoning, or other governmental permits, plat or consent to platting, develop, grant options concerning, lease, sublease, or otherwise dispose of an interest in real property or a right incident to real property.

(c) Mortgages. Release, assign, satisfy, and enforce by litigation or otherwise, a mortgage, deed of trust, encumbrance, lien, or other claim to real property that exists or is asserted.

(d) Management. Do an act of management or conservation with respect to an interest in real property, or a right incident to real property, owned or claimed to be owned by me, including all of the following:

(1) Insuring against a casualty, liability, or loss.

(2) Obtaining or regaining possession, or protecting the interest or right, by litigation or otherwise.

(3) Paying, compromising, or contesting taxes or assessments, or applying for and receiving refunds in connection with taxes or assessments.

(4) Purchasing supplies, hiring assistance or labor, and making repairs or alterations in the real property.

(e) Improvements. Use, develop, alter, replace, remove, erect, or install structures or other improvements upon real property in or incident to which I have, or claim to have, an interest or right.

(f) Reorganizations. Participate in a reorganization with respect to real property or a legal entity that owns an interest in or right incident to real property and receive and hold shares of stock or obligations received in a plan of reorganization, and act with respect to them, including all of the following:

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(1) Selling or otherwise disposing of them.

(2) Exercising or selling an option, conversion, or similar right with respect to them.

(3) Voting them in person or by proxy.

(g) Change in Form of Title. Change the form of title of an interest in or right incident to real property.

(h) Public Use. Dedicate to public use, with or without consideration, easements or other real property in which I have, or claim to have, an interest or right.

1.2. Tangible Personal Property Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All of the powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any tangible personal property that I own when this Power is executed or that is acquired thereafter, whether the personal property is located in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Acquisition. Accept as a gift or as security for a loan, reject, demand, buy, receive, or otherwise acquire ownership or possession of tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property.

(b) Transfer. Sell, exchange, convey with or without covenants, release, surrender, mortgage, encumber, pledge, hypothecate, create a security interest in, pawn, grant options concerning, lease, sublease to others, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property.

(c) Security Interests. Release, assign, satisfy, or enforce by litigation or otherwise, a mortgage, security interest, encumbrance, lien, or other claim on my behalf, with respect to tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property.

(d) Management. Do an act of management or conservation with respect to tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property on my behalf, including all of the following:

(1) Insuring against casualty, liability, or loss.

(2) Obtaining or regaining possession, or protecting the property or interest, by litigation or otherwise.

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(3) Paying, compromising, or contesting taxes or assessments, or applying for and receiving refunds in connection with taxes or assessments.

(4) Moving from place to place.

(5) Storing for hire or on a gratuitous bailment.

(6) Using, altering, and making repairs or alterations.

1.3. Stock and Bond Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All of the powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any interest in any stock, bond, mutual fund, and other type of security to which this paragraph refers, that I own when this Power is executed or that is acquired thereafter, whether located in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Acquisition and Transfer. Buy, sell, and exchange stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and all other types of securities and financial instruments except commodity futures contracts and call and put options on stocks and stock indexes.

(b) Evidence of Ownership. Receive certificates and other evidence of ownership with respect to securities.

(c) Voting. Exercise voting rights with respect to securities, in person or by proxy, enter into voting trusts, and consent to limitations on the right to vote.

1.4. Commodity and Option Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All of the powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any interest in any commodity futures contract or option to which this paragraph refers, that I own when this Power is executed or that is acquired thereafter, whether located in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Acquisition and Transfer. Buy, sell, exchange, assign, settle, and exercise commodity futures contracts and call and put options on stocks and stock indexes traded on a regulated option exchange.

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(b) Accounts. Establish, continue, modify, and terminate option accounts with a broker.

1.5. Banking and Other Financial Institution Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any financial transaction to which this paragraph refers, engaged in by me when this Power is executed or that is engaged in thereafter, whether conducted in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Existing Accounts. Continue, modify, and terminate an account or other banking arrangement made by me or on my behalf.

(b) Opening of Accounts. Establish, modify, and terminate an account or other banking arrangement with a bank, trust company, savings and loan association, credit union, thrift company, industrial loan company, brokerage firm, or other financial institution selected by my attorney in fact.

(c) Establishing and Closing Safe Deposit Boxes. Hire or close a safe deposit box or space in a vault.

(d) Contracting Services. Contract to procure other services available from a financial institution as my attorney in fact considers desirable.

(e) Making Withdrawals. Withdraw by check, order, or otherwise my money or property deposited with or left in the custody of a financial institution.

(f) Receiving Financial Statements. Receive bank statements, vouchers, notices, and similar documents from a financial institution, and act with respect to them.

(g) Entering Safe Deposit Boxes. Enter a safe deposit box or vault and withdraw or add to the contents.

(h) Borrowing Money. Borrow money at an interest rate agreeable to my attorney in fact and pledge as security my personal property as necessary in order to borrow, pay, renew, or extend the time of payment of any of my debts.

(i) Checks, Drafts, and Negotiable or Nonnegotiable Paper. Make, assign, draw, endorse, discount, guarantee, and negotiate promissory notes, checks, drafts, and other negotiable or nonnegotiable paper of mine, or payable to me or to my order,

receive the cash or other proceeds of those transactions, and accept a draft drawn by a person upon me and pay it when due.

(j) Receiving Negotiable or Nonnegotiable Instruments. Receive for me and act upon a sight draft, warehouse receipt, or other negotiable or nonnegotiable instrument.

(k) Letters of Credit, Credit Cards, and Travelers Checks. Apply for and receive letters of credit, credit cards, and traveler's checks from a financial institution, and give an indemnity or other agreement in connection with letters of credit.

(l) Extensions to Pay. Consent to an extension of the time of payment with respect to commercial paper or a financial transaction with a financial institution.

1.6. Business Operating Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any business in which I am interested when this Power is executed or in which I become interested thereafter, whether conducted in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Operation and Transfer. Operate, buy, sell, enlarge, reduce, and terminate a business interest.

(b) Partnerships. To the extent that an agent is permitted by law to act for a principal and subject to the terms of the partnership agreement:

(1) Perform a duty or discharge a liability and exercise a right, power, privilege, or option that I have, may have, or claim to have under a partnership agreement, whether or not I am a partner.

(2) Enforce the terms of a partnership agreement by litigation or otherwise.

(3) Defend, submit to arbitration, settle, or compromise litigation to which I am a party because of membership in the partnership.

(c) Bonds, Shares, and Other Instruments. Exercise in person or by proxy, or enforce by litigation or otherwise, a right, power, privilege, or option that I have or claim to have as the holder of a bond, share, or other instrument of similar character, and defend, submit to arbitration, settle, or compromise litigation to which I am a party because of a bond, share, or similar instrument.

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(d) Sole Proprietorship. With respect to any business that I solely own:

(1) Continue, modify, renegotiate, extend, and terminate a contract made with an individual or a legal entity, firm, association, or corporation by me or on my behalf with respect to the business before execution of this Power.

(2) Determine the policy of the business as to (A) the location of its operation; (B) the nature and extent of its business; (C) the methods of manufacturing, selling, merchandising, financing, accounting, and advertising employed in its operation; (D) the amount and types of insurance carried; and (E) the mode of engaging, compensating, and dealing with its accountants, attorneys, and other agents and employees.

(3) Change the name or form of organization under which the business is operated, and enter into a partnership agreement with other persons or organize a corporation to take over all or part of the operation of the business.

(4) Demand and receive money due or claimed by me or on my behalf in the operation of the business, and control and disburse the money in the operation of the business.

(e) Expansion. Put additional capital into a business in which I have an interest.

(f) Reorganization. Join in a plan of reorganization, consolidation, or merger of the business.

(g) Sale or Liquidation. Sell or liquidate a business or part of it at the time and upon the terms my attorney in fact considers desirable.

(h) Buy-Out Agreements. Represent me in establishing the value of a business under a buy-out agreement to which I am a party.

(i) Reports. Prepare, sign, file, and deliver reports, compilations of information, returns, or other papers with respect to a business that are required by a governmental agency or instrumentality or that my attorney in fact considers desirable, and make related payments.

(j) Taxes. Pay, compromise, or contest taxes or assessments and do any other act that my attorney in fact considers desirable to protect me from illegal or unnecessary taxation, fines, penalties, or assessments with respect to a business, including attempts to recover, in any manner permitted by law, money paid before or after this Power is executed.

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1.7. Insurance and Annuity Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable with respect to any contract of insurance or annuity in which I am in any way interested, whether made in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Existing Personal Coverage. Continue, pay the premium or assessment on, modify, rescind, release, or terminate any contract procured by me or on my behalf that insures or provides an annuity to either me or another person, whether or not I am a beneficiary under the contract.

(b) Procuring New Coverage. Procure new, different, and additional contracts of insurance and annuities for me and my dependents, and select the amount, type of insurance or annuity, and mode of payment.

(c) Paying Premiums for New Coverage. Pay the premium or assessment on, modify, rescind, release, or terminate a contract of insurance or annuity procured by my attorney in fact.

(d) Beneficiary Designation. Designate the beneficiary of the contract, including the power to designate herself as the beneficiary of the contract, or an extension, renewal, or substitute for the contract, regardless of whether the contract was procured by me or by my attorney in fact.

(e) Borrowing. Apply for and receive a loan on the security of the contract of insurance or annuity.

(f) Surrendering. Surrender and receive the cash surrender value.

(g) Elections. Exercise an election.

(h) Manner of Paying Premiums. Change the manner of paying premiums.

(i) Conversion. Change or convert the type of insurance contract or annuity as to any insurance contract or annuity to which I have or claim to have a power described in this paragraph.

(j) Beneficiary Change. Change the beneficiary of a contract of insurance or annuity, including the power to designate herself as the beneficiary, regardless of whether the contract of insurance or annuity was procured by me or by my attorney in fact.

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(k) Governmental Aid. Apply for and procure government aid to guarantee or pay premiums of a contract of insurance on my life.

(l) Transfer. Collect, sell, assign, hypothecate, borrow upon, or pledge my interest in a contract of insurance or annuity.

(m) Taxes. Pay from proceeds or otherwise, compromise or contest, and apply for refunds in connection with, a tax or assessment levied by a taxing authority with respect to a contract of insurance or annuity or its proceeds or liability accruing by reason of the tax or assessment.

1.8. Retirement Plan Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable with respect to any retirement plan in which I am in any way interested, whether the plan is in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Select Payment Options. Select payment options under any retirement plan in which I participate, including plans for self-employed individuals, including the power to designate herself as the beneficiary.

(b) Beneficiary Designations. Designate beneficiaries under retirement plans and change existing designations, including the power to designate herself as the beneficiary.

(c) Voluntary Contributions. Make voluntary contributions to retirement plans.

(d) Investment Powers. Exercise the investment powers available under any self-directed retirement plan.

(e) Rollovers. Make rollovers of plan benefits into other retirement plans.

(f) Borrow, Buy, and Sell. If authorized by the plan, borrow from, sell assets to, and purchase assets from the plan.

(g) Waiver of Spousal Rights. Waive my right to be a beneficiary of a joint or survivor annuity if I am a spouse who is not employed.

1.9. Estate, Trust, or Other Beneficiary Transactions. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph so that my attorney in fact may act for me in all matters that affect a trust, probate estate, guardianship, conservatorship, escrow, custodianship, or other fund

from which I am, may become, or claim to be entitled, as a beneficiary, to a share or payment, whether such matters deal with property located in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Payments. Accept, reject, disclaim, receive, receipt for, sell, assign, release, pledge, exchange, or consent to a reduction in or modification of a share in or payment from the fund.

(b) Claims. Demand or obtain by litigation or otherwise money or other thing of value to which I am, may become, or claim to be entitled by reason of the fund.

(c) Participation in Proceedings. Initiate, participate in, and oppose litigation to ascertain the meaning, validity, or effect of a deed, will, declaration of trust, or other instrument or transaction affecting my interest.

(d) Removal of Fiduciary. Initiate, participate in, and oppose litigation to remove, substitute, or surcharge a fiduciary.

(e) Investments and Disbursements. Conserve, invest, disburse, and use anything received for an authorized purpose.

(f) Transfer to Revocable Trust. Transfer an interest of mine in real property, stocks, bonds, accounts with financial institutions, insurance, and other property to the trustee of a revocable trust created by me as settlor.

(g) Contingent Interests. Convey or release any contingent or expectant interests in property, including marital property rights, and any rights of survivorship incident to joint tenancy or tenancy by the entirety.

(h) Probate Code Section 13502 or 13503 Election. Make any election or election and agreement referred to in California Probate Code Section 13502 or 13503.

1.10. Power to Create, Modify, Revoke, or Transfer Assets to Trusts. I give my attorney in fact the power to create, modify or revoke a Living Trust and to transfer any asset in which I have an interest to any trust for my benefit in existence when this Power becomes effective or here after created, and exercise in whole or in part, release, or let lapse any power I may have under any such trust, including any power of creation, appointment, amendment, revocation, withdrawal of assets, voting or directing the voting of shares of stock, managing or directing the investments subject to

the trust, borrowing assets from the trust, and removing the trustee, but subject to the limitation that a trust that I have created may be modified or revoked by my attorney in fact only if it is expressly permitted by the trust instrument.

1.11. Resignation From Fiduciary Positions. I give my attorney in fact the power to resign from any fiduciary position to which I have been or may be in the future named, appointed, nominated, or elected, including by way of illustration, but not of restriction, the positions of executor, administrator, personal representative, trustee, attorney in fact, guardian, director or officer of a corporation, or governmental position or office; and to take whatever steps are necessary to accomplish such resignation, for example, by rendering an accounting or appearing in court to receive approval for such action, as appropriate.

1.12. Claims and Litigation. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any claim or litigation existing when this Power is executed or arising thereafter, whether existing or arising in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Actions. Assert and prosecute before a court or administrative agency a claim, claim for relief, cause of action, counterclaim, cross-complaint, or offset, and defend against an individual, a legal entity, or government, including suits to recover property or other thing of value, to recover damages sustained by me, to eliminate or modify tax liability, or to seek an injunction, specific performance, or other relief.

(b) Intervention and Interpleader. Bring an action to determine adverse claims, intervene in litigation, and act as amicus curiae.

(c) Provisional Remedies, Enforcement of Judgments, and Participation in Proceedings. In connection with litigation:

(1) Procure an attachment, garnishment, libel, order of arrest, or other preliminary, provisional, or intermediate relief, and use any available procedure to effect, enforce, or satisfy a judgment, order, or decree.

(2) Perform any lawful act, including acceptance of tender, offer of judgment, admission of facts, submission of a controversy on an agreed statement of facts, consent to examination before trial, and binding me in litigation.

(d) Settlement. Submit to arbitration, settle, and propose or accept a compromise with respect to a claim or litigation.

(e) Procedure. Waive the issuance and service of process upon me; accept service of process; appear for me; designate persons upon whom process directed to me may be served; execute and file or deliver stipulations on my behalf; verify pleadings; seek appellate review; procure and give surety and indemnity bonds; contract and pay for the preparation and printing of records and briefs; receive and execute and file or deliver a consent, waiver, release, confession of judgment, satisfaction of judgment, notice, agreement, or other instrument in connection with the prosecution, settlement, or defense of a claim or litigation.

(f) Bankruptcy. Act for me with respect to bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings, whether voluntary or involuntary, concerning me or some other person, or with respect to a reorganization proceeding, or with respect to an assignment for the benefit of creditors, receivership, or application for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, that affects an interest of mine in property or other thing of value.

(g) Payments. Pay a judgment against me or a settlement made in connection with litigation, and receive and conserve money or other thing of value paid in settlement of or as proceeds of a claim or litigation.

1.13. Tax Matters. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph.

(a) Preparation and Filing of Documents. Prepare, sign, and file federal, state, local, and foreign income, gift, payroll, FICA returns, and other tax returns, claims for refunds, requests for extension of time, petitions regarding tax matters, and any other tax-related documents, including receipts, offers, waivers, consents (including consents and agreements under Internal Revenue Code Section 2032A or any successor section), closing agreements, and any power of attorney required by the Internal Revenue Service or other taxing authority with respect to any tax year for which the statute of limitations has not run and to the tax year in which this durable power of attorney was executed and any subsequent tax year.

(b) Paying and Contesting Amounts. Pay taxes due, collect refunds, post bonds, receive confidential information, and contest deficiencies determined by the Internal Revenue Service or other taxing authority.

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(c) Exercising Elections. Exercise any election I may have under federal, state, local, or foreign tax law.

(d) Acting in Tax Matters. Act for me in all tax matters before the Internal Revenue Service and any other taxing authority.

1.14. Personal and Family Maintenance. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally whether the acts required for their execution relate to property that I own when this Power is executed or that is acquired thereafter, and whether the acts are performed or property is located in this state or elsewhere. If I have authorized my agent under my power of attorney for health care (advance directive) to provide for my personal care or to make arrangements for a funeral or memorial service and/or burial arrangements for me, my attorney in fact shall pay any expenses incurred as a result of those arrangements as directed by my health care agent, and is hereby released from any and all liability for making those payments.

(a) Support. Do the acts necessary to maintain my customary standard of living and the customary standard of living of my husband, my children, and other individuals customarily or legally entitled to my support, including providing living quarters by purchase, lease, or other contract, or paying the operating costs, including interest, amortization payments, repairs, and taxes, on premises owned by me and occupied by my husband, my children, or other dependents.

(b) Domestic Help, Travel, and Necessities. Provide for the individuals described in subparagraph (a) all of the following:

(1) Normal domestic help.

(2) Usual vacations and travel expenses.

(3) Funds for shelter, clothing, food, appropriate education, and other current living costs.

(c) Medical Care. Pay for my medical care as directed by my health care agent under my power of attorney for health care (advance directive), for which payments my attorney in fact shall hereby be released from any and all liability, and pay for the

individuals described in subparagraph (a) necessary medical, dental, and surgical care, hospitalization, and custodial care.

(d) Transportation. Continue any provision made by me, for the individuals described in subdivision (a), for automobiles or other means of transportation, including registering, licensing, insuring, and replacing them.

(e) Charge Accounts. Maintain or open charge accounts for the convenience of the individuals described in subparagraph (a) and open new accounts my attorney in fact considers desirable to accomplish a lawful purpose.

(f) Church and Organization Affiliations. Continue payments incidental to my membership in or affiliation with a church, club, society, order, or other organization and continue contributions to those organizations.

(g) Funeral and Burial. Make payments during my lifetime for my funeral or other memorial service and for burial or cremation of my remains, including the purchase of a burial plot or other place for interment of my remains or ashes, as directed by my agent under my power of attorney for health care (advance directive), for which payments my attorney in fact shall hereby be released from any and all liability.

1.15. Gifts. I give my attorney in fact the power to make gifts, grants, or other transfers without consideration, of cash or other property, either outright or in trust, including the forgiveness of indebtedness, in accordance with the provisions in this paragraph.

(a) Attorney in Fact's Discretion. Gifts may be made to those persons and organizations as my attorney in fact in her discretion chooses.

(b) Gifts to Attorney in Fact Limited to Ascertainable Standard. Notwithstanding any other provision in this paragraph, my attorney in fact may make gifts to herself, but only if she is in need of funds to meet the reasonable expenses of the following: (1) support in accordance with her accustomed manner of living; (2) medical, dental, hospital, and nursing services, and other costs relating to the health care of my attorney in fact; or (3) education of my attorney in fact.

(c) Equal Payments to Beneficiaries of Same Generation. If my attorney in fact makes any gift to any dependent of mine, a gift of substantially equal value shall be made to any other descendant of mine of the same generation.

(d) Payment of Gift Tax. My attorney in fact may pay any gift tax that may arise by reason of any gift made.



(e) Gift Splitting. My attorney in fact may consent to the splitting of gifts under Internal Revenue Code Section 2513, or successor sections, if my spouse makes gifts to any one or more of my descendant or to a charitable institution.

1.16. Government Benefits. I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to benefits from social security, medicare, medicaid, or other governmental programs, or civil or military service, existing when this Power is executed or accruing thereafter, whether existing or accruing in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Execution of Vouchers. Execute vouchers in my name for allowances and reimbursements payable to me by the United States or a foreign government or by a state or subdivision of a state, including allowances and reimbursements for my transportation and transportation of my husband, my children, and other individuals customarily or legally entitled to my support, and for shipment of our household effects.

(b) Possession of Property. Take possession and order the removal and shipment of my property from a post, warehouse, depot, dock, or other place of storage or safekeeping, either governmental or private; and execute and deliver a release, voucher, receipt, bill of lading, shipping ticket, certificate, or other instrument for that purpose.

(c) Benefits. Prepare, file, and prosecute my claim to a benefit or assistance, financial or otherwise, to which I claim to be entitled under a statute or governmental regulation.

(d) Actions. Prosecute, defend, submit to arbitration, settle, and propose or accept a compromise with respect to any benefits I may be entitled to receive.

(e) Receipt of Proceeds. Receive the financial proceeds of a claim of the type described in this paragraph; conserve, invest, disburse, or use anything received for a lawful purpose.

1.17. Nomination of Conservator. If at any time proceedings are initiated for the appointment of a conservator of my person or my estate or both, I hereby nominate the following person: Barbara Giacomelli, who resides at 2027 Lighthill Road, Fort Jones CA 96032, whose



telephone number is (530) 468-5224 and whose cellular phone number is (530) 598-1891. I hereby waive the requirement of a bond if the person nominated above is appointed as conservator. I request that, if the person nominated above is appointed conservator of my estate by a court of this state, the court make an order granting to such person all or as many of those independent powers listed in California Probate Code Section 2591 as the court shall find appropriate.

1.18. Incidental Powers. In connection with the exercise of any of the powers described in the preceding paragraphs, I give my attorney in fact all of the powers listed below in this paragraph. All powers described in this paragraph are exercisable equally with respect to any of my interests, rights, and obligations existing when this Power is executed or arising thereafter, whether in this state or elsewhere.

(a) Claims. Demand, receive, and obtain by litigation or otherwise, money or other thing of value to which I am, may become, or claim to be entitled; and conserve, invest, disburse, or use anything so received for the purposes intended.

(b) Contracts. Contract in any manner with any person, on terms agreeable to my attorney in fact, to accomplish a purpose of a transaction, and perform, rescind, reform, release, or modify the contract or another contract made by me or on my behalf.

(c) Execution, Acknowledgment, and Delivery. Execute, acknowledge, seal, and deliver a deed, revocation, mortgage, lease, notice, check, release, or other instrument my attorney in fact considers desirable to accomplish a purpose of a transaction.

(d) Actions. Prosecute, defend, submit to arbitration, settle, and propose or accept a compromise with respect to a claim existing in my favor or against me or intervene in litigation relating to the claim.

(e) Court Assistance. Seek on my behalf the assistance of a court to carry out an act authorized by this Power.

(f) Employment. Engage, compensate, and discharge an attorney, accountant, expert witness, or other assistant.

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(g) Recordkeeping. Keep appropriate records of each transaction, including an accounting of receipts and disbursements.

(h) Preparation and Filing of Documents. Prepare, execute, and file a record, report, or other document my attorney in fact considers desirable to safeguard or promote my interest under a statute or governmental regulation.

(i) Other Lawful Acts. In general, do any other lawful acts with respect to the power being exercised, it being my intention that, in connection with the exercise of that power, my attorney in fact shall have full authority, to the extent that a principal can act through an agent, to take all actions that she believes necessary, proper, or convenient, to the extent that I could take such actions myself.

## ARTICLE TWO

### AMPLIFYING PROVISIONS

2.1. Reimbursement for Costs and Expenses. My attorney in fact shall be entitled to reimbursement from my property for expenditures properly made in the execution of any of the powers conferred by me in this Power. My attorney in fact shall keep records of any such expenditures and reimbursement.

2.2. No Compensation. My attorney in fact shall not be entitled to compensation for the services rendered in the execution of any of the powers conferred by me in this Power.

2.3. Reliance by Third Parties. To induce third parties to act in accordance with the powers granted to my attorney in fact in this document, I represent and warrant that:

(a) If this document is revoked or amended for any reason, I, my estate, my heirs, successors, and assigns will hold any third party harmless from any loss suffered, or liability incurred, by the third party in acting in accordance with this document before the third party's receipt of written notice of termination or amendment.

(b) The powers conferred on my attorney in fact may be exercised alone and my attorney in fact's signature or act under the authority granted in this document may be accepted by third parties as fully authorized by me and with the same force and effect as if I were personally present, competent, and acting on my own behalf.

(c) No person who acts in reliance upon any representation of my attorney in fact as to the scope of my attorney in fact's authority granted under this document shall incur any liability to me, my estate, my heirs, successors, or assigns for permitting my attorney in fact to exercise any such power, nor shall any person who deals with my attorney in fact be responsible to determine or ensure the proper application of funds or property.

(d) My attorney in fact shall make any payments required for the provision and/or release of information or photocopies of any records to my agent under my power of attorney for health care (advance directive) regarding my personal affairs or my physical or mental health, including medical, dental, and hospital records, as directed by my health care agent. My attorney in fact shall hereby be released from any and all liability for making any such payments.

2.4. Ratification. I ratify and confirm all that my attorney in fact does or causes to be done under the authority granted in this Power. All contracts, promissory notes, checks, or other bills of exchange, drafts, other obligations, stock powers, instruments, and other documents signed, endorsed, drawn, accepted, made, executed, or delivered by my attorney in fact shall bind me, my estate, my heirs, successors, and assigns.

2.5. Exculpation of My Attorney in Fact. My attorney in fact shall not be liable to me or any of my successors in interest for any action taken or not taken in good faith, but shall be liable for any willful misconduct or gross negligence.

2.6. Revocation and Amendment. I revoke all prior General Powers of Attorney that I may have executed and I retain the right to revoke or amend this document and to substitute other attorneys in fact in place of my attorney in fact. Amendments to this document shall be made in writing by me personally (not by my attorney in fact) and they shall be attached to the original of this document and recorded in the same county or counties as the original if the original is recorded.

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## ARTICLE THREE

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

3.1. Signature of Attorney in Fact. My attorney in fact shall use the following form when signing on my behalf pursuant to this Power: "Geraldine F. Austin by Barbara Giacomelli, her attorney in fact."

3.2. Photostatic Copies. Persons dealing with my attorney in fact may rely fully on a photostatic copy of this Power.

3.3. Severability. If any of the provisions of this Power are found to be invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Power, and all invalid provisions shall be wholly disregarded.

3.4. Governing Law. All questions pertaining to validity, interpretation, and administration of this Power shall be determined in accordance with the laws of California.

3.5. Explanation of Durable Power for Property Management. I understand that this Power is an important legal document. Before executing this document, my lawyer explained to me the following:

(a) This document provides my attorney in fact with broad powers to dispose of, sell, convey, and encumber my real and personal property.

(b) The powers granted in this Power will exist for an indefinite period of time unless I limit their duration by the terms of this Power or revoke this Power. These powers will continue to exist notwithstanding my subsequent disability or incapacity.

(c) I have the right to revoke or terminate this Power at any time.

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Sara Collins, Notary Public

