

AUTHORIZATION TO WITNESS CREMATION

1. PARTIES

“FUNERAL HOME”:
_____ (Name of Funeral Home)

“REPRESENTATIVE”:
_____ (Name of Representative)
(Use Reverse Side for Additional Names)

“CREMATORY”:
_____ (Name of Crematory)

“DECEDENT”:
_____ (Name of Decedent)

2. **RELATIONSHIP OF REPRESENTATIVE:** The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to the FUNERAL HOME and CREMATORY 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 the Next-of-Kin to act on his or her behalf.
- Other: _____

3. **AUTHORITY OF REPRESENTATIVE:** The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to the FUNERAL HOME and the CREMATORY 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. **AUTHORIZATION:** The REPRESENTATIVE authorizes and directs the FUNERAL HOME and the CREMATORY to permit the REPRESENTATIVE and all individuals who are listed on the reverse side hereof and who have agreed to release the FUNERAL HOME and the CREMATORY from any liability to be present during and to witness the cremation of the DECEDENT's remains. REPRESENTATIVE agrees that all persons present during the cremation must strictly comply with all instructions of the FUNERAL HOME and the CREMATORY personnel.

5. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The REPRESENTATIVE and each individual listed on the reverse side agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the FUNERAL HOME and the CREMATORY from any claims or causes of action, including, but not limited to, claims for emotional distress, arising or related in any respect to the presence of such individual during the cremation of the DECEDENT's remains. In the case that any of the individuals listed on the reverse side hereof are minors, their parents or legal representatives have, by listing their names on the reverse side hereof, agreed to indemnify and hold the FUNERAL HOME and CREMATORY harmless from any claims or causes of action, including the claim of emotional distress, which may result from the presence of such minor at the cremation of the DECEDENT's remains.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE: _____

