

**DECLARATION APPOINTING ATTENDING PHYSICIAN TO WITHHOLD OR  
WITHDRAW LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT**

(1) If I should have an incurable or irreversible condition that, without the administration of life-sustaining treatment, will, in the opinion of my attending physician, cause my death within a relatively short time and I am no longer able to make decisions regarding my medical treatment, I direct my attending physician, pursuant to the Montana Rights of the Terminally Ill Act, to withhold or withdraw treatment that only prolongs the process of dying and is not necessary to my comfort or to alleviate pain.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

City, County, and State of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

The declarant voluntarily signed this document in my presence.

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**DECLARATION THAT DESIGNATES ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL TO MAKE  
DECISIONS TO WITHHOLD OR WITHDRAW LIFE-SUSTAINING  
TREATMENT**

(2) If I should have an incurable and irreversible condition that, without the administration of life-sustaining treatment, will, in the opinion of my attending physician, cause my death within a relatively short time and I am no longer able to make decisions regarding my medical treatment, I appoint \_\_\_\_\_ or, if he or she is not reasonably available or is unwilling to serve, \_\_\_\_\_, to make decisions on my behalf regarding withholding or withdrawal of treatment that only prolongs the process of dying and is not necessary for my comfort or to alleviate pain, pursuant to the Montana Rights of the Terminally Ill Act.

If the individual I have appointed is not reasonably available or is unwilling to serve, I direct my attending physician, pursuant to the Montana Rights of the Terminally Ill Act, to withhold or withdraw treatment that only prolongs the process of dying and is not necessary for my comfort or to alleviate pain.

**INSPECTION AND DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION RELATING TO MY  
PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH.**

A. General Grant of Power and Authority. Subject to any limitations in this Directive, my agent has the power and authority to do all of the following: (1) Request, review and receive any information, verbal or written, regarding my physical or mental health including, but not limited to, medical and hospital records; (2) Execute on my behalf any releases or other documents that may be required in order to obtain this information; (3) Consent to the disclosure of this information; and (4) Consent to the donation of any of my organs for medical purposes.

B. HIPAA Release Authority. My agent shall be treated as I would be with respect to my rights regarding the use and disclosure of my individually identifiable health information or other medical records. This release authority applies to any information governed by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), 42 U.S.C. 1320d and 45 CFR 160 through 164. 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 my agent, without restriction, all of my individually identifiable health information and medical records regarding any past, present or future medical or mental health condition, including all information relating to the diagnosis of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, mental illness, and drug or alcohol abuse. The authority given my agent shall supersede any other agreement that I may have made with my health care providers to restrict access to or disclosure of my individually identifiable health information. The

authority given my agent has no expiration date and shall expire only in the event that I revoke the authority in writing and deliver it to my health care provider.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

City, County, and State of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

The declarant voluntarily signed this document in my presence.

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Name and address of designee:

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_