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### AFFIDAVIT OF SURVIVORSHIP

David H. Heichler, after first being duly sworn upon his oath, disposes and says:

1. He and Sharon Marie Heichler were married on May 27, 1978.
2. He and said Sharon Marie Heichler purchased, as husband and wife, certain real estate pursuant to a Warranty Deed dated October 8, 1981 and recorded October 15, 1981 as Instrument No. 647426 in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, Indiana, said property more particularly described as:

*Key #39-298-17*

Lots 17 and 18, Block 1, Orchard Hill Addition to Gary, as shown in Plat Book 13, page 2, in Lake County, Indiana.

3. On July 22, 1994, the marriage of David Heichler and Sharon Heichler was dissolved pursuant to a Decree of Dissolution in Lake Superior Court, Room Three (Cause No. 45D03-9312-DR-040).
4. The said Decree of Dissolution incorporates therein a certain Stipulation and Agreement relating to the use and possession of the above described real estate, but does not convey or alter the interests in the fee simple ownership of the above described real estate.
5. Sharon Marie Heichler died intestate in Lake County, Indiana on July 1, 1996.

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6. No estate or preceding has been or to the best of the affiant's knowledge is anticipated to be opened following the death of Sharon Marie Heichler.

7. Stephen J. Forbes is the sole and only lineal descendent of Sharon Marie Heichler.

8. Stephen J. Forbes has, contemporaneously with the execution of this Affidavit, given and granted a certain Quit Claim Deed releasing and setting over any and all right, title and interest in and to the above described real estate to David H. Heichler.

9. All of the assets of Sharon Marie Heichler which would be includable in her taxable estate for federal estate tax purposes, including all joint bank accounts and life insurance on the decedent's life, were not sufficient to necessitate the payment of federal estate tax.

10. Affiant has been in possession of the above described real estate continuously and uninterrupted since the affiant and Sharon Marie Heichler purchased the property in 1981, including all times following the affiant's divorce.

11. Affiant has held and continues to hold actual, visible, open, notorious, hostile, continuous and exclusive possession of the above described real estate.

12. Affiant has exercised every act of dominion and ownership over said real estate and that title to the same has never been questioned throughout affiant's ownership of said property.

David H. Heichler  
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Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, this 7 day of April, 1998, personally appeared David H. Heichler and acknowledge the execution of the foregoing instrument to be his free and voluntary act.

My Commission Expires:

Kimberly S Samuelson  
Notary Public  
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Kimberly S Samuelson  
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