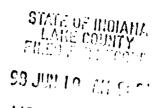
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STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF LAKE

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AFFIDAVIT AS TO TENANCY BY ENTIRETIES

RUTH STRAUCH a/k/a RUTH E. STRAUCH, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

That she is an adult and the surviving spouse of LESTER C. STRAUCH, who died on the 20th day of May, 1998.

That she and the decedent were owners by the entireties of the following described real estate, to wit:

Lot No. Four (4), in Block No. Three (3), as marked and laid down on the recorded plat of East End Addition, to the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, as the same appears of record in Plat Book 28, page 87, in the Recorder's Office of Lake County, Indiana. (Key No. 27-203-4)

Commonly known as: 8819 Kleinman Road - Highland, IN 46322

That said parties were husband and wife when they took title to the above described real estate; and that both remained in title and lived continuously together as husband and wife until his death, testate, on the date above given.

Affiant further states that she knows of her own knowledge that the value of the gross estate of the above decedent, at the time of his death, within the meaning of the Federal Estate laws, was less than that required for the filing of a Federal Estate Tax Return, and that the estate of said decedent was not subject to any Federal Estate taxes.

Affiant further states that all outstanding debts and obligations of the decedent, including funeral expenses and expense of last illness were fully paid and discharged and that there is no estate proceeding pending and there are no outstanding claims or obligations against said decedent.

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Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for Lake County, State of Indiana, personally appeared RUTH STRAUCH a/k/a RUTH E. STRAUCH and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing Affidavit as to Tenancy by Entireties.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal this 29th day of May, 1998.

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My Commission Explice? 09/13/2001 **EO**

Jessica A. Pavlakis - Notary Public

This Instrument Prepared John F. Hilbrich, Esq. (#7513-45)

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