LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, ROBERT E. GEHRKE of Lake County, State of Indiana, and Bullhead City, Maricopa County, Arizona, hereby designate and appoint my wife, SHARON L. GEHRKE, as my true and lawful attorney-in-fact, and as my authorized agent, for the purpose of doing and performing for me and in my name and to have the following powers as est forth hereafter:

A. PURPOSE OF POWER: REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION

To sell, convey and execute deeds and other instruments of conveyance or any and all other documents necessary to facilitate the sell of, and closing upon, real estate held in common by myself and my wife which is located at 2024 Atchison Avenue, Whiting, Lake County, Indiana.

This instrument is intended to be construed and interpreted as a Limited Power of Attorney for the sole and singular purpose of executing documents necessary to the sell of and closing on the above named real estate and it shall be interpreted as limited or restricted to the purpose set out above.

B. SCOPE OF POWER

IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE POWERS, I give my attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do for me and in my name those things which such attorney-in-fact deems expedient and necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this instrument, as fully as I could do personally for myself; reserving unto myself, however, the power to act on my behalf coextensively with my attorney-in-fact.

I hereby ratify and confirm all that my attorney-in-fact shall do by virtue hereof, and any act or thing lawfully done by my attorney-in-fact under this instrument to facilitate the sell of and/or closing upon real estate located at 2024 Atchison Avenue, Whiting, Indiana shall be binding on me and on my heirs, assigns and legal representatives.

C. RIGHT TO REVOKE

I hereby reserve the right to revoke this Limited Power of Attorney; however, this Limited Power of Attorney shall continue in full force and effect until I have executed and recorded in the Recorder's Office of the County of my residence or of my attorney-in-fact a written revocation hereof, or until my personal representative have delivered to such persons relying upon this Power of Attorney notice of revocation hereof whichever shall first occur.

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AUTHORITY HEREBY GRANTED TO MY ATTORNEY-IN-FACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND MY SUBSEQUENT INCOMPETENCE OR PHYSICAL INCAPACITY SHALL NOT AFFECT OR DIMINISH THE RIGHT, POWER AND AUTHORITY OF MY ATTORNEY-IN-FACT TO SO ACT ON MY BEHALF FOR THIS LIMITED PURPOSE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and seal before the persons named below as witnesses, and who have duly witnessed my execution of this instrument all occurring on this 2 day of June, 1998..

I, the undersigned, an officer authorized to administer oaths, certify that ROBERT E. GERKE appeared before me and having been duly sworn, declared to me that he signed and executed this Limited Power of Attorney, and that he had willingly signed and executed it as his free and voluntary act for the purposes therein expressed

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal this 2 day of _____, 1998.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 10 - 15 - 2000

Resident of Lake County

This instrument was prepared by Elizabeth G. Tegarden, Attorney at Law, 9111 Broadway. Merrillville, Indiana 46410.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

LOT NO. NINE (9), IN BLOCK NO. FIVE (5), WEST PARK ADDITION TO HAMMOND, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF HAMMOND, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AS MARKED AND LAID DOWN ON THE RECORDED PLAT OF SAID ADDITION SHOWN OF RECORD IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE AT LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, IN PLAT BOOK TWELVE (12), PAGE THIRTY-FIVE (35).

