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TO

ROSE PERISHO

The undersigned hereby nominates, constitutes and appoints my sister, Rose Perisho, SSN: 317-14-9193, whose address is 2469 New York Avenue, Whiting, Indiana 46394, as my true and lawful attorney-in-fact to do and perform for me and in my name the following:

- (1) Banking and Financial Transactions (a) To open accounts, in my name or on my behalf, in any bank or trust company, savings and loan company, insurance company, credit union, or any other banking or savings institution, and to deposit into such accounts, or into accounts now existing or hereafter established in my name, any money, checks, notes, drafts, acceptances or other evidences of indebtedness payable to or belonging to me, including but not being limited to, checks or drafts issued by the Treasurer of the United States or any other official, bureau, department or agency of the United States Government or by the Treasurer or similar official of any state, or any other official bureau, department or agency of any State, municipality or other government body; and to disburse, withdraw or receive from such accounts, all or any part of the balance therein; (b) to make such endorsements and to sign such documents as may be required in connection with deposit into any of such accounts; (c) to sign checks, withdrawals, drafts, receipts or other documents as may be required in connection with disbursement or withdrawal from or receipt of such accounts.
- (2) Motor Vehicles To sell, lease, maintain, insure, license and re-license any motor vehicle which I may own or in which I may have an interest and to execute and deliver any instruments required to do so.
- (3) <u>Tax Matters</u> (a) To prepare, execute and file on my behalf income and other tax returns and pay any amount determined due; (b) To prepare, execute and file on my behalf documents pertaining to real estate and personal property taxes, assessments, and applications for exemptions; and (c) To act on my behalf in tax matters where it may be necessary to negotiate, compromise and settle tax disputes, including appealing determinations of value assessments and taxes due.
- (4) <u>Conduct of Business</u> (a) To manage my property and to conduct my business affairs, including but not limited to, leasing, managing and maintaining any real or personal property which I may own; (b) to recover, obtain and hold possession of any real estate, monies, goods, chattels, debts, or any other thing in which I may have an interest; and (c) To pay, discharge or compromise any of my debts or other obligations.
- (5) <u>Securities Transactions</u> (a) To purchase or otherwise acquire and to sell or otherwise dispose of, securities, including

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but not limited to, stocks, bonds, notes, and other securities or evidences of indebtedness, all at such price and on such terms as my attorney-in-fact may determine; (b) to vote any such securities in my name, in person or by proxy; and (c) to receive dividends and other distributions on such securities.

(6) Transfer of Interest in Real Estate - To sell, convey, lease, grant an option to purchase, or otherwise transfer, for such consideration and upon such terms as my attorney-in-fact shall deem advisable, including a contract for conditional sale, and also to execute and deliver any deed, sales agreement, lease, contract and any other document(s) in such manner and form as may be necessary or required for my attorney-in-fact to transfer all or any part of my interest in the following described real estate:

Only the real estate commonly known as 2134 Indianapolis Boulevard, Whiting, Indiana located in Lake County, Indiana.

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(7) Other powers specifically designated: NONE This Document is the property of

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

Any act or thing lawfully done by my attorney-in-fact under this instrument shall be binding on me and on my heirs, assigns and legal representatives.

If protective proceedings for my person and/or estate shall be commenced, I hereby nominate my sister Rose Perisho as Guardian of my person and Rose Perisho as Guardian of my estate, to serve without bond to the full extent permitted by law.

The following named bank, savings and loan association, investment firm, and/or other persons, firms or corporations listed below may rely on this instrument being in effect and unrevoked by me unless I shall have executed a proper instrument of revocation and delivered it, or cause it to be delivered, to such person, firm or corporation:

Holding Institution Type of Account Account No.

American Trust and Savings savings common stock

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All other persons, firms and corporations to whom this instrument may be delivered may rely on its being in effect and unrevoked by me unless I shall have executed a proper instrument of revocation and recorded it, or cause it to be recorded, in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, State of Indiana.

This Power of Attorney shall not be effected by my subsequent disability or incapacity, nor by lapse of time, it being my intention that this instrument constitute a durable power of attorney under the Indiana Uniform Durable Power of Attorney Act.

Signed by mark this 2nd day of July, 1998, in two counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original.

Counterpart No. WITNESSES TO MARK: Dohald L. Gray This Document is the property of Whiting, Indiana 46394 Lake County Recorder! <u>) Mark</u> Stephen J. Zajac (SEAL) Dona L. Gray SSN: 313-01-4634 2134 Indianapolis Blvd. 1244-119th Street Whiting, Indiana 46394 Whiting, IN 46394 State of Indiana SS: County of Lake

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, this 2nd day of July, 1998, personally appeared the Grantor named above who signed the foregoing Power of Attorney by her mark, and acknowledged the execution of this Power of Attorney to be the voluntary act and deed of the Grantor, for the uses and purposes therein stated; and I do hereby certify that the contents and purport of the foregoing Power of Attorney were fully explained to said Stephen J. Zajac before his execution thereof.

IN WITHESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

My, Commission Expires: August 21, 1998 Resident of Lake County . 19

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Malanian de la constante de la THIS INSTRUMENT PREPARED BY: Donald L. Gray, Attorney at Law, 1244-119th Street, Whiting, Indiana 46394 Tel. (219) 659-1125