POWER OF ATTORNEY AFFIDAVIT

Larry Skratsky, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and says that:

- 1. That I am acting for and on behalf of Erma Mae Skratsky, who has exercised a Power of Attorney unto me.
- 2. That a copy of the said Power of Attorney is attached hereto as "Exhibit A".

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- 3. That the aforementioned Power of Attorney has not been revoked or extinguished by subsequent instrument or declaration or by the terms and conditions of the empowering instrument or by operation of law.
- 4. That the principal is alive competent, of majority, and in all other manners capable of functioning on their own behalf.



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State of Indiana, County of Lake ss:

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the within named **Larry Skratsky**, who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing document and who, having been duly sworn, stated that the representations therein contained are true.

WITNESS, my hand and Seal this 6th day of December, 2013. My Commission Expires: Signature of Notary Public Printed Name of Notary Public Notary Public County and State of Residence This instrument was prepared by: Debra A. Guy, Attorney-at-Law, IN #24473-71 MI #P69602 202 S. Michigan Street, Ste. 300, South Bend, IN 46601 **Property Address:** 526 Sycamore Lane Lowell, IN 46356 the Lake County I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each social security number in this document, unless required by law. (Type or Print Name) MTC File No.: 13-44582 Page 2 of 2

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Erma Skratsky a/k/a Irma Mae Skratsky, of Lake County, Indiana, hereby appoint my son, Larry Skratsky, of Lake County, State of Indiana, as my Attorney in Fact. In the event that my son, Larry Skratsky, is unwilling or unable to serve for any reason, then I hereby appoint my daughter, Cynthia Waugh, of Lake County, Indiana, to serve as my Attorney in Fact.

This Power of Attorney shall become effective upon the execution hereof. It shall not be terminated by my incapacity. My Attorney in Fact shall exercise the powers granted hereunder in a fiduciary capacity with due care and in good faith. Subject to the above designation of a successor, the person who is acting as my Attorney in Fact from time to time can name a successor Attorney in Fact for me. A successor Attorney in Fact shall have all of the powers herein granted to my initial Attorney in Fact. I hereby nominate the person who is serving as my Attorney in Fact as my guardian in the event that it is necessary to appoint a guardian for me. My Attorney in Fact shall have the power:

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- 1. To take all action with respect to my property and affairs as I could take as fully and with the same effect as if I were competent and acting on my own behalf subject only to the limitations herein contained.
- 2. To acquire, own, manage, lease, mortgage, sell and otherwise deal with real estate and to have general authority with respect to real estate transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-2.
- 3. To acquire, own, manage, sell and otherwise deal with tangible personal property and to have general authority with respect to tangible personal property transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-3.
 - 4. To acquire, own, vote, participate in reorganizations, pledge, sell and otherwise deal with securities and to have general authority with respect to bond, share and commodity transactions

as provided in IC 30-5-5-4.

- 5. To maintain bank accounts, to sign checks and notes and to enter my safe deposit box and control the contents thereof and to have general authority with respect to banking transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-5.
- 6. To manage, sell and otherwise deal with any proprietorship or partnership in which I have an interest and to have general authority with respect to business operating transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-6.
- 7. To acquire, pay premiums, borrow or otherwise deal with insurance and to have general authority with respect to insurance transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-7 without the limitations contained in IC 30-5-5-9 except as modified in paragraph 9 hereof.
- 8. To exercise all of the rights that I may have as a beneficiary with respect to an estate, trust or other fund and to have general authority with respect to beneficiary transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-8.

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- 9. In the event I become permanently mentally incapacitated, to make gifts of my property and to have general authority with respect to gift transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-9 except that the Ten Thousand Dollar (\$10,000.00) limit on gifts to my Attorney in Fact and his or her dependents shall not apply and gifts to members of my family may be made if they are in the best interests of the recipients so long as such gifts: (a) are not adverse to my best interest; and (b) are made to or for the benefit of my spouse or my descendants per stirpes.
- 10. To take such action as is reasonable or necessary to bind up any matters in which I am acting as a fiduciary in the event of my death or incapacity.

- 11. To exercise all of my legal rights with respect to any matter in which I may have legal rights or legal obligations and to have general authority with respect to claims and litigation as provided in IC 30-5-5-11.
- 12. To provide for the care, support, and education of members of my family and to have general authority with respect to family maintenance as provided in IC 30-5-5-12.
- 13. To exercise my military service benefit rights, if any, and to have general authority with respect to benefits from military service as provided in IC 30-5-5-13.
- 14. To maintain records of my property and affairs, to file tax returns on my behalf, to have access to my confidential tax records and to have full power and authority to act on my behalf in dealings with taxing authorities and to have general authority with respect to records, reports and statements as provided in IC 30-5-5-14.
- In the event I become permanently mentally incapacitated, to exercise all powers with respect to estate and trusts that I can exercise including the power to disclaim interests that I would otherwise be entitled to receive and to have general authority with respect to estate transactions as provided in IC 30-5-5-15 with the additional power to create and fund trusts for the benefit of members of my family so long as the trust interests so created: (a) are not adverse to my best interests; and (b) are made for the benefit of my spouse and/or my descendants per stirpes.

This General Power of Attorney ("GPA") shall remain in effect until my death or earlier delivery of a written revocation of this GPA to the persons serving as my Attorney in Fact hereunder and, if this GPA is recorded, such revocation shall reference the recorded GPA and shall be recorded in each county where this GPA has been recorded.

The references herein to sections of the Indiana Powers of Attorney Act, IC 30-5, shall be deemed to be references to the comparable provisions of any amended or successor statute if such Act is amended or replaced.

Dated this /3 day of June, 2000.

STATE OF INDIANA

Asma Mae Skrateky aka Irma Mae Skratsky Erma Mae Skratek Erma Mae Skratsky QKQ

COUNTY OF LAKE

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Irma Mae Skratsky, who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing General Power of Attorney, this , 2000. /3 day of June

Brian Woodward, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 8/22/03

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This instrument prepared by: R. Brian Woodward, Attorney at Law Law Offices of R. Brian Woodward, P.C.

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