not exceed in the aggregate for any calendar year the greater of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or five percent (5%) of the fair market value of my estate (for U.S. gift tax purposes) as of December 31st of such calendar year; provided, however, if my agent is making gifts authorized by the following paragraph of this power of attorney in order to obtain or maintain eligibility for public health care benefits, then these limitations shall not apply.

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Power to Make Gifts to Qualify for Public Benefits. If my agent in my agent's sole discretion has determined that I need nursing home or other long-term medical care and that I will receive proper medical care whether I privately pay for such care or if I am a recipient of Title XIX (Medicaid) or other public benefits, then my agent shall have the power: (i) to take any and all steps necessary, in my agent's judgment, to obtain and maintain my eligibility for any and all public benefits and entitlement programs, including, if necessary, creating and funding a qualified income trust or special needs trust for me or a disabled child, if any; (ii) to transfer with or without consideration my assets to my descendants (if any), or to my natural heirs at law or to the persons named as beneficiaries under my last will and testament or a revocable living trust which I may have established, including my agent; and (iii) to enter into a personal services contract for my benefit, including entering into such contract with my agent, and even if doing so may be considered self-dealing. Such public benefits and entitlement programs shall include, but are not limited to, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, Medicare, Medicaid and Veterans benefits.

## ARTICLE IV

Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, any authority granted to my agent shall be limited so as to prevent this durable power of attorney from causing my agent to be taxed on my income (unless my agent is my spouse) and from causing my assets to be subject to a general power of appointment by my agent, as that term is defined in Section 2041 of the Code.

## ARTICLE V

Any act or thing lawfully done hereunder by my said agent shall be binding on myself and my heirs, legal and personal representatives, and assigns, provided, however, that all business transacted hereunder for me or for my account shall be transacted in my name, and that all endorsements and instruments executed by my said agent for the purpose of carrying out the foregoing powers shall contain my name, followed by that of my said agent and the designation "Agent."

## ARTICLE VI

Any third party may transact any matter with my agent in the same manner and to the