- (3) THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE MEDICAL CONDITION, THE TREATMENT, OR THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF TREATMENT RESULT IN A SEVERE AND CONTINUING IMPAIRMENT OF THE DIGNITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL BY SUBJECTING THE INDIVIDUAL TO A CONDITION OF EXTREME HUMILIATION AND DEPENDENCY:
- (4) THE EFFECT OF THE MEDICAL CONDITION ON THE LIFE EXPECTANCY OF THE INDIVIDUAL:
- (5) THE PROGNOSIS OF THE INDIVIDUAL FOR RECOVERY, WITH AND WITHOUT TREATMENT; AND
- (6) THE RISKS, SIDE EFFECTS, AND BENEFITS OF EACH TREATMENT OPTION:
- (E) "CERTIFY" MEANS TO DOCUMENT IN THE MEDICAL RECORDS OF AN INDIVIDUAL:
  - (F) "COMPETENT" MEANS TO BE ABLE TO:
    - (1) RECEIVE AND EVALUATE HEALTH CARE INFORMATION;
- (2) MAKE AND COMMUNICATE DECISIONS BASED ON THAT INFORMATION; AND
  - (3) UNDERSTAND THE IMPLICATIONS OF THESE DECISIONS:
- (G) "DECLARANT" MEANS-AN-INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS EXECUTED A LIVING WILL.
- (H) "DECLARATION" MEANS A DOCUMENT, NOW KNOWN AS A LIVING WILL, THAT WAS EXECUTED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF § 5-602 OF THIS ARTICLE AS CODIFIED PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 1993.
- (I) "FEEDING TUBE" MEANS ANY CONDUIT THAT IS INSERTED INTO THE BODY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE:
  - (1) FOOD OR OTHER NUTRIENTS; OR
  - (2) WATER OR OTHER MEANS OF HYDRATION.
- (J) "HEALTH CARE" MEANS ANY TREATMENT OR PROCEDURE TO MAINTAIN, DIAGNOSE, OR TREAT THE PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION OF AN INDIVIDUAL.
- (K) "HEALTH CARE AGENT" MEANS THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED BY A POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS TO MAKE A HEALTH CARE DECISION FOR A PRINCIPAL.
- (L) "HEALTH CARE DECISION" MEANS A MEDICALLY INFORMED CONSENT, A MEDICALLY INFORMED REFUSAL OF CONSENT, OR A MEDICALLY INFORMED WITHDRAWAL OF CONSENT TO HEALTH CARE.
  - (M) "HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER" MEANS: