

~~(T) "PERSISTENT VEGETATIVE STATE" MEANS A CONDITION, AS A RESULT OF WHICH, TO A REASONABLE DEGREE OF MEDICAL PROBABILITY, AN INDIVIDUAL:~~

~~(1) LOSES ALL CAPACITY FOR THOUGHT, PURPOSEFUL ACTION, AND AWARENESS OF SELF AND ENVIRONMENT; AND~~

~~(2) REMAINS IN THIS CONDITION PERMANENTLY, WITHOUT IMPROVEMENT.~~

~~(U) "POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS" MEANS A WRITTEN INSTRUMENT SIGNED BY A PRINCIPAL AUTHORIZING AN INDIVIDUAL TO:~~

~~(1) ACT AS THE HEALTH CARE AGENT OF THE PRINCIPAL; AND~~

~~(2) MAKE A HEALTH CARE DECISION FOR THE PRINCIPAL.~~

~~(V) "PRINCIPAL" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO EXECUTES A POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS.~~

~~(W) "SUBSTITUTED JUDGMENT" MEANS A HEALTH CARE DECISION MADE BY A PERSON FOR AN INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL ON THE BASIS OF A REASONABLE, GOOD FAITH BELIEF THAT AN INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL WOULD, IF COMPETENT, MAKE THE SAME HEALTH CARE DECISION REGARDING A TREATMENT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ANY INFORMATION THAT, MAY BE RELEVANT TO THE DECISION MAKING ABOUT THE TREATMENT, INCLUDING:~~

~~(1) THE CURRENT DIAGNOSIS, PROGNOSIS WITH AND WITHOUT THE TREATMENT, AND LIFE EXPECTANCY OF THE INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL;~~

~~(2) ANY EXPRESSED PREFERENCES OF THE INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL REGARDING THE PROVISION OF, OR THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF, THE SPECIFIC TREATMENT AT ISSUE;~~

~~(3) ANY EXPRESSED PREFERENCES OF THE INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL ABOUT THE PROVISION OF, OR THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF, SIMILAR TREATMENTS GENERALLY;~~

~~(4) ANY RELIGIOUS OR MORAL BELIEFS OR PERSONAL VALUES OF THE INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL IN RELATION TO THE PROVISION OF, OR THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF, THE TREATMENT;~~

~~(5) ANY BEHAVIORAL OR OTHER MANIFESTATIONS OF THE ATTITUDE OF THE INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL TOWARD THE PROVISION OF, OR THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF, THE TREATMENT;~~

~~(6) ANY CONSISTENT PATTERN OF CONDUCT BY THE INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL REGARDING PRIOR DECISIONS ABOUT TREATMENT;~~

~~(7) ANY REACTIONS OF THE INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL TO THE PROVISION OF, OR THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF, A SIMILAR TREATMENT FOR ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL; AND~~