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IN RE: ***LESHIA BATSON BESS***

Docket No: ***24P350***

I, JOSEPH P. DAY, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Davidson County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the document heretofore entered in the above styled case on February 23, 2024 in the Seventh Circuit Court for Davidson County, Tennessee, as same remains of record in the Minutes of said Court.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court, at office, in Nashville, on February 27, 2024.

JOSEPH P. DAY CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

JOSEPH P. DAY, Clerk,

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

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Last Will and Testament

Of

LESHIA BATSON BESS

I, LESHIA BATSON BESS, of Davidson County, Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory make this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all Wills and Codicils heretofore made by me.

I. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby appoint my son, GEORGE WILLIAM BESS, of Nashville, Tennessee, to serve as personal representative of this my Last Will and Testament, and I direct that no bond be required of him for the faithful performance of his duties in said capacity.

Should my son predecease me, I hereby appoint my brother-in-law, DAVID TODD BESS, of Cane Ridge, Tennessee, to serve as personal representative of this my Last Will and Testament, and I direct that no bond be required of him for the faithful performance of his duties in said capacity.

II. POWERS OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

In extension and not in limitation of the powers given by law or other provisions of this Will, I give my personal representative and any successors all powers and authority described in the introductory paragraph and all numbered subparagraphs of §35-50-110 of the Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A.) as it presently exists and as it may be amended from time to time.

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No personal representative, or any successor thereto, shall be required to file any inventory, accounting or settlement because I do hereby expressly waive all filings to the extent permitted by law.

I vest my said personal representative, and any successor thereto, with full power and authority to sell, transfer, and convey any property, real or personal, which I may own at the time of my death, at such time and price and upon such terms and conditions as she may determine and to do every other act and thing necessary or appropriate to the complete administration of this Will.

My personal representative may sell all or any part of my property in which event, the proceeds of the sale shall be distributed in accordance with my directions as set forth in this Will. My representative, or any successor, shall give each insurance policy and any insurance proceeds covering an item of my property to the recipient of that property without charge for any unearned premium previously paid.

My personal representative, in his sole and absolute discretion, may exercise any available elections with regard to any state or federal tax laws.

My personal representative shall not be liable to any person for decisions made in good faith under this Section.

If any beneficiary is incapacitated, my personal representative may personally receipt to the estate for his or her property and store it, or deliver it to him or her, or deliver it to any person with whom he or she may reside in any case without requiring bond and having all powers with respect to the property.

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III. DEBTS OWED

I direct that all my just debts, funeral expenses and the cost of administration of my estate may be paid by my personal representative, hereinbefore named, and to be paid as soon as practicable after my death. All of my just debts, funeral expenses and the cost of administration of my estate shall be charged as an expense of my estate and paid out of my residuary estate.

I direct that there shall be paid out of my residuary estate, without apportionment, all estate, inheritance, succession and other taxes assessed by reason of my death, imposed by the government of the United States, or any state or territory thereof (including any estate or inheritance tax assessed on account of any life insurance proceeds or other property which shall be included in my estate for the purposes of such taxes, whether or not included in my estate for probate purposes).

I direct that the personal representative of my estate may pay the current amounts due on any mortgage indebtedness or other installment indebtedness and need not pay the entire principal balance such indebtedness except such payments as may be in accordance with my wishes, however made known, but I do not impose any enforceable obligation in this connection.

IV. ORDER OF DEATH PRESUMPTION

If any beneficiary and I die under circumstances in which the order of our deaths cannot be determined, my estate must be administered and distributed as though I survived my beneficiary.

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V. PERSONAL EFFECTS AND SPECIAL BEQUESTS

I give, devise and bequeath to my son, GEORGE WILLIAM BESS, of Nashville, Tennessee, all of my property which I may own at the time of my death, whether real, personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situated, including all property which I may acquire or become entitled to after the execution of this Will, not otherwise listed or mentioned herein.

In the event my son, GEORGE WILLIAM BESS, predeceases me or we die as the result of a common disaster, I give, devise and bequeath to my brother in law, DAVID TODD BESS, of Cane Ridge, Tennessee, all of my property which I may own at the time of my death, whether real, personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situated, including all property which I may acquire or become entitled to after the execution of this Will, not otherwise listed or mentioned herein.

If at any time there is no person, corporation or other entity entitled to receive all or any part of the property disposed of by this my Will, then all of such property shall be distributed to those persons who would be my heirs-at-law had I died intestate owning such property.

The distribution of such property, for purposes of this Paragraph, shall be determined by the laws of descent and distribution for intestate estates in the State of Tennessee as such laws are in effect at the time of any distribution under this paragraph.

VI. DEFINITIONS

In this Will wherein I use certain phrases and words, I desire the following meanings to be attached thereto, unless otherwise specified:

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Where I use the words "my estate" I intend to include all of my property, real, personal, registered retirement plans, registered income funds, educational savings plans, interest in and registered pension plans, annuities, wheresoever situated, located and found, including the proceeds from any and all insurance policies payable to my estate, provided, however, I do not intend that the inclusion of proceeds from insurance policies payable to my estate, shall be subject to the payment of the debts of my estate except as my Personal Representative in the proper management of my estate's affairs may determine to be to the best interest of my beneficiaries. I do not intend that disposition of "my estate" in general terms shall constitute the exercise of any power of appointment I may have.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name in Davidson County, Tennessee, this 3rd day of July, ~~2020,~~ 2021 to this my Last Will and Testament, and have also initialed each of the pages for identification.

Leshia Batson Bess
LESHIA BATSON BESS. Testatrix

Signed, published and declared by LESHIA BATSON BESS, as her Last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, the undersigned, who at her request, and in her sight and presence, and in the sight and presence of each other, have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses on this 3rd day of July, ~~2020.~~ 2021

WITNESS:
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WITNESS: Samuel Chirwa
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STATE OF TENNESSEE)
COUNTY OF DAVIDSON)

We, the undersigned, after first being duly sworn or affirming, make oath or affirm that the foregoing Last Will and Testament consisting of 6 pages, this page included, was signed by LESHIA BATSON BESS, as and for, and that time acknowledged, published and declared by her to be her Last Will and Testament, in the sight and presence of us, the undersigned, who at her request and in her sight and presence, and in the sight and presence of each other, have subscribed our names as attesting witnesses on the same day. We further make oath or affirm that the Testator was of sound and disposing memory, and not acting under the fraud, menace or undue influence of any person, that she was more than 18 years of age and that each of the attesting witnesses is more than 18 years of age.

T. Chisolm .
WITNESS

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Sworn and affirmed and subscribed to before me this 3rd day of July, 2020. 2021

Belinda A. Collins
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 9/2/2024

BELINDA A. COLLINS
STATE OF TENNESSEE NOTARY PUBLIC
DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENN.

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