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REGARDING YOUR RIGHT TO MAKE ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS

Federal law requires that we give you information about your right to make advance health care decisions. Right now, you may be able to make your own health care decisions. You may not always be able to make such decisions, however. By giving advance directions, you can tell your health care provider and family about the medical care you would like to receive and whether you want another person to be able to accept or refuse treatment for you.

You can leave advance directions about withdrawal of life support by executing a "Living Will." A Living Will authorizes your health care provider and family to withdraw, or withhold medical care which artificially prolongs life, in the event your attending physician determines you have a terminal condition from which there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. You can also name a person to make medical treatment decisions for you by appointing someone to have a "Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care" for you. This person is allowed to make health care decisions for you, including life support decisions. It may also direct the attending physician with respect to donations of your organs.

It is our policy to honor a patient's health care decisions to the full extent required or allowed by law. You are NOT required to give advance health care directions in order to receive care at this facility.

Do you have a Living Will? Yes No
Do you have a Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care? Yes No

If you answered YES to either of the questions, we need to put a copy of the document in your medical chart in order to be sure that your wishes are honored.

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Patient Name Patient Signature Date

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Witness Name Witness Signature Date

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