

STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
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COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON       §

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**ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS COURT  
OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS  
AUTHORIZING INTERMENT  
OF DECEDENT’S REMAINS**

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Pursuant to the Laws and Rules of the State of Texas, the Texas Health & Safety Code, Chapter 711, Section 711.002(e), and the common law granting the County authority to regulate the public health and safety, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County finds that:

Williamson County resident, Heidi Nicholson (SSN xxx-xx-1243) passed away on November 11, 2016 at the age of 90 while residing at Cottonwood Creek Nursing and Rehabilitation (Nursing Home), located at 1500 Cottonwood Trail Cedar Park, TX 78613.

The Court further finds that there have been numerous attempts to contact all known next of kin, but all attempts to communicate with the deceased’s family have been ignored. **Exhibit “A” (Affidavit of Rebecca D. Barrera, Vice President Cook-Walden Davis), which is incorporated herein as if copied in full.**


The Court further finds that there has been no inquest ordered in this case, and there is no person with duty to inter as set forth in Chapter 711 of the Texas

Health & Safety Code; therefore, the duty to inter the remains falls to Williamson County.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT** the deceased body shall be interred (*i.e.*, permanent disposition of remains by entombment, burial, or placement in a niche) and the funeral home will provide the minimum preparations necessary to arrange a respectful and dignified interment, including but not limited to, bathing and closing the deceased's eyes and mouth.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT** all costs shall be voluntarily assumed by Cook-Walden Davis Funeral Home located at 2900 Williams Dr., Georgetown, TX 78628, which.

12-21-2016

  
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Hon. Dan Gattis  
Williamson County Judge

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**AFFIDAVIT OF REBECCA D. BARRERA**  
(Affidavit of Conditions of Eligibility for Order of Interment)


Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, on this day personally appeared REBECCA D. BARRERA, after being duly sworn, stated as follows:

"My name is Rebecca D. Barrera. I am an employee in the position of Vice President of Cook-Walden Davis Funeral Home, located at 2900 Williams Dr., Georgetown, TX 78628 in Williamson County. I am over the age of 18 and have never been convicted of a crime. I have personal knowledge of the facts recited herein. All such facts are true and correct.

Heidi Nicholson (SSN xxx-xx-1243) ("deceased") passed away on November 11, 2016 at the age of 90 while residing at Cottonwood Creek Nursing and Rehabilitation, which is a nursing home. The deceased's next-of-kin is Tommie Nicholson (NOK), daughter of the deceased, P.O. BOX 82265, Austin, TX 78708, phone no. 512-585-5840.

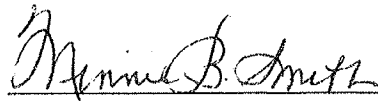
I swear that, to the best of my knowledge, the deceased was a resident of Williamson County who resided at Cottonwood Creek Nursing and Rehabilitation. We have attempted to contact the NOK on numerous occasions, including by telephone and certified mail, which is on file with Cook-Walden Davis Funeral Home. I further swear that, to the best of my knowledge, there are no other known next-of-kin or family available to assume the duty to inter the body, and there has been no inquest ordered after notification of Pct. 2 Justice of the Peace Edna Stoudt.

I further attest that Cook-Walden Davis Funeral Home is willing to voluntarily assume costs of interment, but is in need of a formal county order to inter pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code § 711.002(e)."

  
Signature

12-16-16  
Date

Sworn to and subscribed before me the undersigned Notary Public, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

  
Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan 7, 2020

