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HOMELESS SELF-ATTESTATION FORM

House Bill 179 – Eliminating Fees for Certified Birth Certificates for Homeless Individuals was signed into law in 2021, which waives the fee to receive a certified birth certificate for homeless individuals. According to the bill, homelessness is identified as follows:

- Lacking a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence;
- Living in the housing of another person due to the individual's loss of housing, economic hardship or other reason related to that individual's lack of a fixed residence;
- Living in a motel, hotel, trailer park or camping ground due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
- Living in an emergency or transitional shelter;
- Sleeping in a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings; or
- Living in an automobile, a park, a public space, an abandoned building, substandard housing, a bus station, a train station or similar setting.

The homelessness of an individual can be verified through an attestation by any of the following:

- A public or private governmental or nonprofit agency that provides services to homeless individuals;
- A local education agency, homeless liaison, school counselor, or school nurse;
- A social worker licensed in New Mexico; or
- Self-attestation of the homeless individual.

By completing the following information, you are claiming to be homeless to waive the fee to receive a certified copy of your birth certificate.

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Homeless on the basis of (please check one of the following):

- Lacking a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence
- Living in the housing of another person due to loss of housing or economic hardship
- Living in a motel, hotel, trailer park, or camping ground
- Living in an emergency or transitional shelter
- Sleeping in a public or private place not designed for ordinary use or regular sleeping accommodation for human beings
- Living in an automobile, a park, a public space, an abandoned building, substandard housing, a bus station, a train station or similar setting
- Other Please explain: _____

Statement: I affirm under penalty of perjury that I have reviewed the information on this Attestation Form and that it is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

If this form was completed on behalf of the individual, please complete the following:

Signature: _____ **Printed Name:** _____

Relation to Individual: _____ **Organization/Title:** _____

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Order Number: _____

Clerk: _____