STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

COUNTY OF GREENVILLE )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, MANUEL RUIZ, of the County of Greenville, State of South Carolina, do hereby constitute and appoint my wife, CARLOTA OPTIZ de RUIZ, of Carolina, Puerto Rico, as my true and lawful attorney, for me, in my name, place and stead, with full power to have and to exercise the following powers and authorities:

- 1. To ask, demand, sue for, collect, recover and receive all sums of money, debts, dues, accounts, legacies, bequests, interests, dividends, annuities, rents, mortgages, old age assistance, any benefits of government of agency thereof, whether local, state or of the United States of America, and any and all other obligations whatsoever due me, and give receipts therefor, and have, use and take all lawful ways and means in my name or otherwise for the recovery thereof, by attachments, arrests, distress or otherwise, and to compromise and agree for the same, and release or give other sufficient discharges for the same, for me, and in my name, to make seal and deliver.
- 2. To bargain, contract, agree for, buy, sell, mortgage, hypothecate, and in any and every way and manner deal in and with my goods and merchandise, choses in action, and nurses, physicians, surgeons as may be deemed advisable to her, the purchase of cloting, food and any other necessities reasonably required by or for me.
- 3. To write checks on any accounts that I have in any bank or savings and loan association, or withdraw funds therefrom, wherever located.
- 4. To bargain, contract, agree for, purchase, receive, and take lands, tenements, hereditaments, and accept the seizing and possession of all lands and all deeds and assurances.

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5. To lease, rent, let, demise, bargain, sell, release, convey, mortgage and hypothecate any and all real estate, lands, tenements, and hereditaments, upon such terms and conditions as my Attorney in her sole discretion shall deem necessary and proper, and in my name and as my act and deed sign, seal and execute and deliver and acknowledge such deeds, leases and assignments of leases, covenants, bills, bonds, notes, receipts, evidences of debt, releases,

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