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**SAMPLE** AUTHORIZATION FOR CREMATION OF A DECEASED PERSON DEEMED UNCLAIMED UNDER THE ANATOMY ACT OF ONTARIO

Attention: Funeral Home and/or Crematorium:

As General Inspector of Anatomy (or Local Inspector) I am providing authorization and direction (see attached Warrant to Dispose of an Unclaimed Body) to proceed with the cremation of \_\_\_\_\_. This authorization and direction will supplant the requirement for completion of a cremation contract/application.

I have reviewed the available health information and have not found any information that indicates the presence of a radioactive implant or pacemaker/implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD).

Name of deceased person \_\_\_\_\_:

had prepaid arrangements (see attached Warrant to Dispose of an Unclaimed Body) prior to death but no claimant found to complete the cremation contract/application.

prior to death had expressed desire for cremation however, no family or claimant identified. The municipality of \_\_\_\_\_ will provide funds for the cremation. The cremated remains should be interred at a "common ground" location.

has family who are unable to claim the deceased person. They are requesting cremation and interment of cremated remains at a "common ground" location.

has family who are unable to claim the deceased person; however, they will work with the funeral service provider to complete the cremation contract/application, if required, and collect the cremated remains. Family agrees if the cremated remains are not collected within 12 months, the cremated remains will be interred in accordance with the provisions of the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act in a "common ground" location at the cost of the municipality.

By signing this authorization and direction, the Office of the Chief Coroner assumes full responsibility for directing the municipality to arrange this cremation.

Sincerely,

signature

Name – General Inspector of Anatomy (Chief Coroner) or  
Local Inspector of Anatomy (Regional Supervising Coroner)

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