DECLARATION OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

1. I, the undersigned, declare that the foregoing is true and correct:
2. I, (**YOUR SLAVE NAME**), born (**YOUR SLAVE NAME**)
   in **(Your)** County, in the State of **(Your State)**, on the (Birth Day) ^th day of (Birth Month) 19XX, **DO HEREBY DECLARE** my intent to change my legal name, and be henceforth exclusively known as (**YOUR Righteous NAME**).

3. **NOTICE IS HEREBY** given to all agencies of the State of **(Your State),**
all agencies of the Federal Government, all creditors, and all private persons, groups, businesses, corporations and associations of said legal name change.

(**Check Your Specific state law(s), if you do not live in Michigan.**)
   **Under the law of Michigan, where the defendant had lived since infancy except while away in college, a person may adopt any name he chooses, as at common law. In *Piotrowski v. Piotrowski,* 71 Mich. App. 213, 215-16, 247 N.W.2d 354, 355 (1976), the court stated this rule as follows:
(**Check Your Specific state law(s), if you do not live in Michigan.**)
   **Under the common law a person may adopt any name he or she wishes, without resort to any court and without any legal proceedings, provided it is not done for fraudulent purposes.

4. I declare that I am 18 years of age or older.
5. I further declare that I have no intention of defrauding any person
or escaping any obligation I may presently have by this act.

DATED: _____, 20**xx**   _____
                                                    (Old signature)

                                   _____
                                                    (New signature)

STATE OF (Your State),   )
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

On _____, 20**xx**, before me _____,
Notary Public, personally appeared (**YOUR SLAVE NAME**), [ ] personally known to me - **OR** [ ] proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

                          WITNESS my hand and official seal.

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                                   Signature of Notary
                          My Commission Expires on _____