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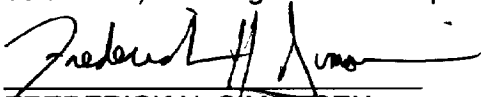
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- Frederick H. Simonsen** of **Cincinnati**, County of **Butler**, State of **Ohio**;
- Alicia M. Hall** of **Cincinnati**, County of **Hamilton**, State of **Ohio**;
- Letha M. Hines** of **Wyoming**, County of **Hamilton**, State of **Ohio**;
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- John T. Milby** of **Harrison**, County of **Hamilton**, State of **Ohio**.

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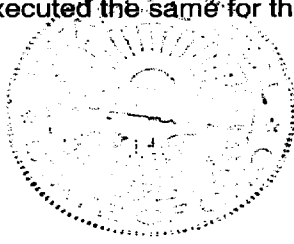
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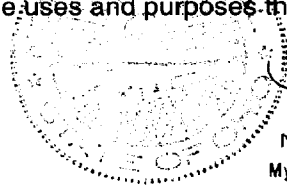
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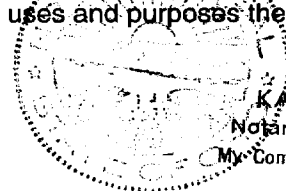
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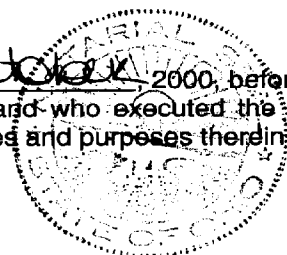
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