# AFFIDAVIT OF COMMON LAW MARRIAGE

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1. **Eligibility Certification.** By signing below, we hereby certify that we meet the following eligibility criteria:
   
a. We are at least eighteen (18) years of age and are mentally competent to contract.
b. Neither of us is married to anyone else.
c. We are not related by blood to a degree which would prohibit marriage in our state of legal residence.
d. We reside together.
e. We are financially interdependent and can demonstrate such interdependence by submitting the Required Documentation listed in paragraph 2 of this Affidavit.

2. **Required Documentation.** We have included documentation to substantiate two (2) of the following items (check applicable items):
   
   - [ ] Most recent signed Federal Tax Form indicating we are married. (Black out financial information and do not include any schedules.)
   - [ ] Notarized Common Law Marriage Agreement or Relationship Contract.¹
   - [ ] Joint mortgage or joint ownership of primary residence.
   - [ ] Joint ownership of automobile. (Joint title or joint bill of sale accepted.)
   - [ ] Joint lease.
   - [ ] Joint checking, savings, credit account, or utility billing statement. **Must be dated one (1) year prior to the request for coverage.**
   - [ ] The spouse has been designated as a beneficiary for the employee’s will, retirement contract or life insurance.

3. **Notice of Changes.** We agree to notify the GROUP if the status of this relationship changes, including termination of the relationship or our failure to meet any of the criteria outlined in paragraph 1 of this Affidavit, no later than 30 days from the date of such change.

4. **Penalties for Misrepresentation.** We affirm the statements attested to in this

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¹ Common Law Marriage Agreement or Relationship Contract means a written agreement which has been executed by the parties, and which at a minimum provides that each party is obligated to provide support for the other party, AND provides, in the event of the termination of the marital relationship, for equal division of any property acquired during the relationship.

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Affidavit are true and correct to the best of our knowledge. We understand that we are responsible for reimbursing the GROUP and/or BCBSRI for any expenses incurred as a result of any false or misleading statement contained in this Affidavit, including but not limited to reimbursement for premiums and amounts paid in claims.

Under penalties of perjury, we certify that the foregoing representations are true, correct, and complete. We understand that by signing, we are attesting that we are married under Rhode Island law and have all the obligations and responsibilities of a marital relationship, and that only a divorce proceeding in Rhode Island state court can terminate the marital relationship and its obligations.

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Employee Signature

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Common Law Spouse Signature

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Employee Name (Print)

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Common Law Spouse Name (Print)