

Home Care Agreement for _____

I agree that if I am ever diagnosed with medical problems that may affect my balance or if I develop osteoporosis (thin bones), I will give up the following activities in caring for my home:

- Any activity that involves a ladder, such as changing light bulbs, cleaning fans or gutters, roof work, obtaining items from upper cabinets.
- I will no longer operate dangerous yard tools such as my chainsaw, electric hedge trimmer, or electric weed whacker.
- Who will do it - either a family member, friend, or hired help
- How much they will get paid

We will prepare for this event in the following way:

- My son Adam agrees to come over once a month to check the general condition of the house and do simple tasks such as change light bulbs. For this service, I will take him out to lunch.
- All commonly needed items will be moved to within easy reach. I promise to never use a ladder and will call for assistance if a ladder is ever needed.
- I will hire a house cleaning service to do a deep cleaning once every three months.
- My grandson Ron agrees to do the yard work that requires dangerous lawn tools once a month, including trimming the hedges and edging the yard. I will pay him \$15 an hour to do this work. He also agrees to deal with "yard emergencies" such as fallen limbs at a rate of \$15 an hour.

If my health issues become more serious and I can no longer do routine home maintenance but am still well enough to live in my home or if my son notices the house in not being kept up in an appropriate manner:

- I will hire a cleaning service to clean the house every two weeks.
- I will hire a yard service to come weekly in the summer and every two weeks in the winter.
- Adam or Ron will come over every two weeks to perform upkeep that is not part of the yard or cleaning service. I will pay them \$15 an hour for this work.

If I develop dementia or am no longer handling my finances and I am safe to still live at home, Adam will coordinate all the house upkeep and yard services. He should be paid \$100 per month for this service.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

