MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH CERTIFICATE OF DEATH Towashin Registration District No Villag Primary Registration District No. [If death occurred in a City .Ward) hospital or institution. give its NAME instead of street and number] PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH BINGLE COLOR OR RACE 8EX DATE OF DEATH MARRIED MLA WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word DATE OF BIRTH HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from (Day) If LESS than AGE I day,\_\_\_hrs. and that death occurred, on the date stated above, a or\_\_\_mln.? CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows: OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work (b) General nature of industry. business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) **BIRTHPLACE** (City or town, State or foreign country) Contributory NAME OF FATHER (Duration). BIRTHPLACE (Signed) OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) (Address) MAIDEN NAM \*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Heans of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal. OF MOTHER LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR BIRTHPLACE RECENT RESIDENTS) OF MOTHER At place In the (City or town, State or foreign country) of death. State\_ Where was disease contracted BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THE ABOVE IS TRUE if not at place of death? .. Former or usual residence.

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Note.—Individual offices may add to above list of undesirable terms and refuse to accept certificates containing them. Thus the form in use in New York City states: "Certificates will be returned for additional information which gives any of the following diseases, without explanation, as the sole cause of death: Abortion, cellulitis, childbirth, convulsions, hemorrhage, gangrene, gastritis, erysipelas, meningitis, miscarriage, necrosis, peritonitis, phiebitis, pyemia, septicemia, tetanus." But general adoption of the minimum list suggested will work vast improvement, and its scope can be extended at a later date.