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Know all Men by these Presents, That I, Antonio Espero a Resident of the City of Matamoros, in the State of Tamaulipas, Republic of Mexico, have this day Made, Constituted and Appointed and by these Presents do Make, Constitute and Appoint Eli J. Merriman (who is at this present in the City of Austin, Texas) my true and lawful Attorney, in fact, for me and in my Name, Place and Stead, to receive from the Treasury Department of the State of Texas, the sum of three hundred and two Dollars and twenty five Cents, and to receipt for said amount, in my Name.

Hereby Ratifying and Confirming what at Sugar my said Attorney may lawfully do in the premises by virtue hereof.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal (affixing Scroll for Seal) this the 15th day of December AD 1857

In Presence of
P. Mulworth
Rudd H. Fry

Antonio Espero (Seal)

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Before me Jeremiah Galvan, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, duly Commissioned and Sworn, who Executed