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Bequests for Cornell Plantations Sample Language for Your Will

For a bequest to provide *an unrestricted outright gift* to Plantations:

“I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to Cornell Plantations, a unit of Cornell University, an educational corporation in Ithaca, New York, for the general use of Cornell Plantations {...dollars} {...percent} {all the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate}.”

A bequest to create *a permanent endowment* to support Plantations:

“I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to Cornell Plantations, a unit of Cornell University, an educational corporation in Ithaca, New York, {money or property to be bequeathed} to establish an endowment fund to be known as the {...Fund}, the income from which shall be for the unrestricted use of Cornell Plantations.”

A bequest for *a specific use* at Plantations:

“I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to Cornell Plantations, a unit of Cornell University, an educational corporation in Ithaca, New York, {money or property to be bequeathed} to be used for {state purpose, e.g., ...development and maintenance of the horticultural collections –or– preservation and protection of the natural areas –or– educational programming...}.”

A bequest for an *endowment for a specific purpose* at Plantations:

“I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to Cornell Plantations, a unit of Cornell University, an educational corporation in Ithaca, New York, {money or property to be bequeathed} to establish an endowment fund to be known as the {...Fund}, the income from which shall be used for {state purpose, e.g., ...development and maintenance of the horticultural collections –or– preservation and protection of the natural areas –or– educational programming...}.”

If a specific use is stated, the addition of the following language will make certain that your gift always remains productive:

“If, in the judgment of the Trustees of Cornell University, changed circumstances should at some future time render the designated use of this fund no longer appropriate, then the Trustees shall direct use of the fund to further the objects and purposes of Cornell University, giving consideration to my special interest as evidenced by the purpose described above.”

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