

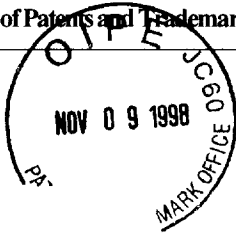


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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I Jimmie L. Coffey, a citizen of the United States of America, and resident of 6N347 Clydesdale Court, St. Charles, Illinois, 60175, jointly invented with Lawrence B. Ziesel and Kenneth S. Weinaug, useful improvements in or relating to

AUTOMATED BEVERAGE SYSTEM

for which we filed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, on December 22, 1997.

WHEREAS, McDONALD'S CORPORATION a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, having an office at McDonald's Plaza, Oak Brook, Illinois 60521, is desirous of acquiring my entire undivided right, title and interest in and to the said application and the invention therein described and claimed and any Letters Patent that may be issued upon said application or for the improvements therein contained;

NOW THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt of and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, I, the said Jimmie L. Coffey have sold, assigned and transferred and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION its successors and assigns, my entire undivided right, title and interest in and to the said application and the invention therein contained including the right to apply for any Letters Patent in the United States of America and in all foreign countries on said invention and including the right to claim the priority of the date of filing in the United States and any Letters Patent that may issue

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thereon, or therefor, in the United States and foreign countries and all reissues, extensions, renewals, divisions and continuations thereof, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent may be issued, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION, its successors and assigns the same as it would have been held and enjoyed by me if this assignment and sale had not been made.

AND, I hereby authorize and request the Commissioners of Patents and Trademarks to issue all such Letters Patents to the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION in accordance with this instrument of assignment.

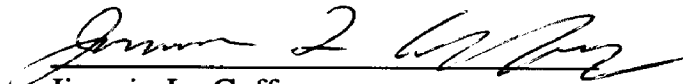
I HEREBY represent and warrant that there are no rights or interests outstanding inconsistent with the rights and interests granted herein and that I will not execute any instrument or grant or transfer any rights or interests inconsistent therewith, and I, the said Jimmie L. Coffey bind myself and my heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives, as the case may be, to execute and deliver to the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION, its successors and assigns, any further documents or instruments and do any and all further acts that may be deemed necessary by the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION, its successors and assigns to file applications for the said improvements and invention in any country where it may elect to file such applications, and that may be necessary to vest in the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION, its successors and assigns, the title herein conveyed, or intended so to be, and

to enable such title to be recorded in the United States and foreign countries where such application or applications may be filed.

AND, I further covenant and agree, in consideration of the premises, that I, my executors and administrators will, at any time upon request communicate to the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION, its successors and assigns, any facts relating to the said invention and improvements and the history thereof, known to me or my executors and administrators, and that I will testify as to the same in any interference or other proceeding when requested to do so by the said McDONALD'S CORPORATION, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 7 day of

October 1998.


Jimmie L. Coffey

WITNESS:
