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Title of Invention: FLOOR MATERIAL AND FLOORING USING THE FLOOR MATERIAL

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WHEREAS, KABUSHIKIKAISHA EDAGUMI, a corporation of the State of JAPAN, 147, Ishihara 3-chome, Kumagaya-shi, Saitama, Japan hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in the said invention and application and in any Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, and Assignee's successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the said invention, said application for United States Letters Patent, and any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world including any divisions, renewals, continuations in whole or in part, substitutions, conversions, reissues, prolongations or extensions thereof, said interest to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said Assignor had this assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any such Letters Patent.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto signed his/her name to this assignment on the date indicated below.

Date: 17 September, 1998

  
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