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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, WE, Yoshiro YAMANE and Tadao YASHIRODAI, the undersigned inventors and the ASSIGNORS herein, have invented a DESIGN FOR A HEDGE TRIMMER, for which we are about to file application for Design Letters Patent of the United States, which application has been executed by each of us concurrently herewith and of which inventions and improvements we are the joint owners; and

WHEREAS, Kawasaki Jukogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan having a place of business at 1-1, Higashikawasaki-cho 3-Chome, Chuo-ku, Kobe 650-8670, JAPAN, the ASSIGNEE herein, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions, applications and Design Letters Patent to be granted and issued thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) by the ASSIGNEE to each of us paid, and other valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of all of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said ASSIGNORS, have sold and do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and all improvements thereon, in and to said application for Design Letters Patent thereon, in and to applications pertaining to or based upon said inventions and applications, including divisional and continuing applications and continuations-in-part, and in and to any and all Design Letters Patent which may be granted and issued on said inventions and applications, or any of them, not only for, to and in the United States of America, its territories and possessions, but for, to and in all countries foreign thereto, together with and including all priority rights based upon any and all applications in the United States of America covered by this Assignment.

And for the above-named considerations, we do hereby agree that we will, at the request of said ASSIGNEE, execute any and all applications for Design Letters Patent for said inventions and any and all other papers and documents and do all other and further lawful acts that said ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or desirable to obtain Design Letters Patent on said inventions, to secure the grant of such Letters Patent and to perfect and vest in the ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in the inventions, applications and Design Letters Patent.

And for the above-named considerations, we do hereby authorize and empower the ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to apply for and obtain, in its or their own names, Letters Patent for the said inventions before competent International Authorities and in any and all countries foreign to the United States in which applications for Letters Patent can be so made or Letters Patent so obtained.

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