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ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, we, <u>Jon R. Rossman</u>, of <u>Chelmsford, Massachusetts</u>; <u>Bryan R. Hotaling</u> of <u>Arlington, Massachusetts</u>; <u>John A. MacNeil</u> of <u>Melrose, Massachusetts</u>; hereby assign to <u>The First Years Inc.</u>, a <u>Delaware</u> corporation having a place of business at <u>26212 Dimension</u>, <u>Suite 230</u>, <u>Lake Forest, California 92630</u>, and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest, including, without limitation, the right to sue for past infringement, throughout the world in the inventions and improvements, which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, entitled <u>TUB-STOOL COMBINATION</u>, filed <u>July 22</u>, <u>1999</u>, and assigned U.S.

Serial Number <u>09/359,476</u>, and we authorize and request the attorneys appointed in said application to hereafter complete this assignment by inserting above the filing date and serial number of said application when known; this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes; and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our name or in its own name for patents, utility models, and design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at
this 9th day of Statemen, 1999 Jon R. Rossman L.S.
STATE OF MASS::
COUNTY OF MIDDLE SEX::
Before me this day of, 19 59, personally appeared
Jon R. Rossman known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Assignment, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.
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Notary Public
Mr. Commission Francis Mr1 20 2015

My Commission Expires:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at Acrow WIA
this day of, 19
Bryan R. Hotaling
STATE OF MASS.:
STATE OF MASS.::ss. COUNTY OF MIDNESEX:
Before me this $9^{\frac{1}{2}}$ day of $\frac{9}{2}$, personally appeared
Bryan A. Hotaling known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Assignment, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.
Notary Public Notary Public
[Notary's Seal Here] My Commission Expires: 12225
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at ACTON, MA
this 9TH day of SEPTEMBER, 1999 Only Canall L.S
John A. MacNeil STATE OF
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX:
Before me this 9 ± 2 day of 9 ± 7 , 1999 , personally appeared
John A. MacNeil known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Assignment, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.
Notary Public My Commission Expires: My Commission Expires:
[Notary's Seal Here] My Commission Expires:

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