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WHEREAS. Susan K. Hoff Jill L. Gantos Charles S. Mack residing at 3285 Gold Dust Street, N.E. 7275 Burger Road, S.E. 129 Sunset Drive Belmont, MI 49306 Grand Rapids, MI 49546 Dowling, MI 49050 respectively, (hereinafter referred to as Assignor) has (have) invented certain new and useful improvements in SUPPORT RING FOR COOKING UTENSIL for which an application for United States Letters Patent was: executed on even date herewith. \mathbf{x} filed on September 17, 1998 as Application Serial No. 09/156,018. WHEREAS. **Amway Corporation** a corporation of the State of Michigan having a place of business at, 7575 Fulton Street East Ada, Michigan 49355-0001 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries. NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, Assignor hereby sells, assigns, and transfers unto Assignee the full and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to said invention in the United States and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title, and interest in and to all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and in all foreign countries and in and to all divisions, reissues, continuations, continuations-in-part, substitutions, renewals, reexaminations, and extensions thereof including the full right to claim for any such application the benefits of the International Convention. Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the patent office officials in the United States and in all foreign countries to issue all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to Assignee as the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behoof of Assignee, its successors and assigns. FURTHER, Assignor agrees to communicate to Assignee or its representatives any facts known to Assignor respecting said invention, and to testify in any legal proceeding, to sign all lawful papers, to execute all divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, substitution, renewal, reexamination, and reissue applications, to execute all necessary assignment papers to cause all of said Letters Patent to be issued to Assignee, to make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United States and in all foreign countries. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I (we) have hereunto set my (our) hand(s) on the date appearing next to my (our) signature.

Charles S. Mac

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