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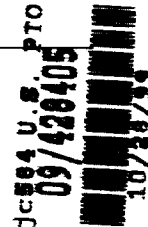
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County of Travis and State of Texas,

and  
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County of Travis and State of Texas,

and  
(3) John Daniel Upton of Georgetown,  
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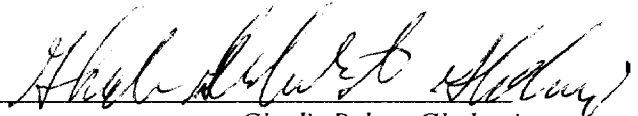
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and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefore on  
(Dates Inventors Signed Declaration) (1) OCT. 26, 1999, and (2) OCT. 26, 1999,  
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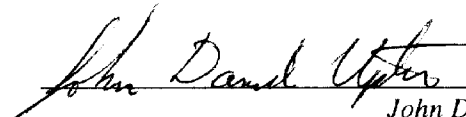
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