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29/107,880

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(hereinafter called "ASSIGNEE"), the entire worldwide right, title and interest in and to the invention known as:

Clothes Bar

filed
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Date 7/21/99 Name of Inventor Michael Thuma (SEAL)
Date 7/19/99 Name of Inventor William Webb (SEAL)
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