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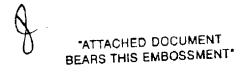
ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

For value received, we, Ronald D. Blum, of 5320 Silver Fox Road, Roanoke, Virginia 24014, Dwight P. Duston, of 59 Fairlane, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677, and Bradley J. Blum, of 3002 Rosalind Avenue, Roanoke, Virginia 24014, hereby sell, assign, and transfer to TECH MATS, L.L.C., a company of the Commonwealth of Virginia, having an office at 3904 Franklin Road, Suite B, Roanoke, VA 24014, U.S.A., and its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the entire right, title, and interest in and to certain inventions related to **ADVANCED FLOOR MAT**, described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States filed on April 19, 2000 and assigned Serial No. 09/553,234, and all the rights and privileges in said application and under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted in the United States for said inventions; and we also concurrently hereby sell, assign, and transfer to TECH MATS, L.L.C. the entire right, title, and interest in and to said inventions for all countries foreign to the United States, including all rights of priority arising from the application aforesaid, and all the rights and privileges under any and all forms of protection, including Letters Patent, that may be granted in said countries foreign to the United States for said inventions.

We authorize TECH MATS, L.L.C. to make application for such protection in its own name and maintain such protection in any and all countries foreign to the United States, and to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions, without further authorization from us, any and all benefits, including the right of priority provided by any and all treaties, conventions, or agreements.

We hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any document which may be required in any country in proof of the right of TECH MATS, L.L.C. to apply for patent or other form of protection for said inventions and to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority.

We request that any and all patents for said inventions be issued to TECH MATS, L.L.C. in the United States and in all countries foreign to the United States, or to such nominees as TECH MATS, L.L.C. may designate. We agree that, when requested, we shall without charge to TECH MATS, L.L.C. but at its expense, sign all papers, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable, or convenient in connection with said applications, patents, or other forms of protection.



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