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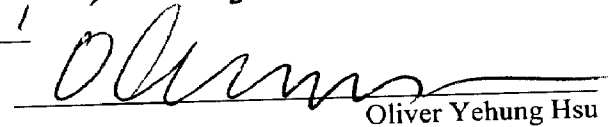(4) _____6/2ʌ_____, 20_01_.

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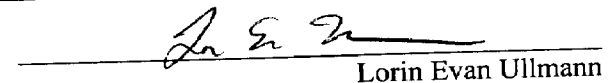
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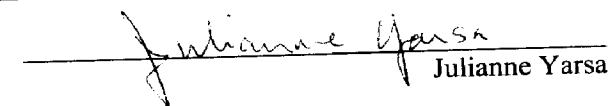   Oliver Yehung Hsu

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