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**(Sole Inventor)**

WHEREAS, I, **David R. DePiazza** (hereinafter referred to as Assignor), residing at **4304 Saratoga, Aberdeen, NC 28315**, have invented new and useful improvements in:

**COLLAPSING CLUTCH RETAINER**

which is set forth in an application in the United States filed herewith;

AND WHEREAS, **ZF Meritor, LLC.** (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), of 22021 Skyway Church Road, Maxton, North Carolina 28364 is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may concern, that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor has assigned, sold and set over, and by these presents assign, sell and set over unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, for the territory of the United States of America and all foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application for Letters Patent, including the right to file and prosecute foreign patent applications corresponding to said application in foreign patent offices, and the right to claim the priority date of said United States patent application and any legal equivalents thereof, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents in the United States of America and all foreign countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and to any and all divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said application, or re-issues or extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents prepared and executed by Assignor on even date herewith, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the Assignor had this Assignment and sale not been made.

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Dated: 5/17/2002

Inventor: David R. DePiazza  
**David R. DePiazza**