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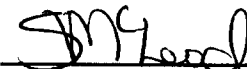
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto subscribed their names on the date set opposite their signatures.

(Signature)  Date March 3, 2004
Name: Guy St. Clair

The undersigned **Guy St. Clair**, on this 3 day of March, 2004 personally appeared before me and executed this document of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.


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