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TAILGATE LIFT-ASSIST ASSEMBLY

Do hereby sell, assign and transfer to Honda Motor Co., Ltd., a corporation of Japan, and having a place of business at No. 1-1, Minami-Aoyama 2-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right to said invention and said application and to any and all inventions described in said application for the United States and its territorial possessions and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions; and in and to any and all continuations-inpart, continuations, divisions, substitutes, reissues, extensions thereof, and all other applications for Letters Patent relating thereto which have been or shall be filed in the United States and its territorial possessions, and all rights, together with all priority rights, under any of the international conventions, unions, agreements, acts, and treaties, including all future conventions, unions agreements, acts, and treaties;

Agree that Honda Motor Co., Ltd., hereinafter referred to as Assignee, may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said invention and said inventions, hereinafter referred to as said invention, in its own name, in the United States and its territorial possessions; and that, when requested to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, at the expense of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the undersigned will execute all continuations-in-part, continuations, divisions, substitutes, reissues, extensions thereof, execute all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers, testify in any legal or quasi legal proceedings; communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns or legal representatives all facts known to the undersigned relating to said invention and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which said Assignee, its successors, assigns, or legal representatives shall consider desirable for aiding in securing, maintaining and enforcing proper patent protection for said invention and for vesting title to said invention and all applications for patents on said invention in said Assignee, its successors, assigns, or legal representatives; and

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| | | Joel Romig | |
| State of | | | |
| County of | |)ss:) | |

On this _____ day of _____, before me personally came Joel Romig, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged execution of the same.

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| Signed at Raymond Chio | _ on, 2004. |
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