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ASSIGNMENT BY INVENTORS

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made on the dates indicated below, by Robert G. Cronce and John E. Klinkman (hereinafter referred to as Assignors), residing at 1319 18th Street, Port Huron, Michigan 48060; and 13166 Hunt Rd., Riley Township, Michigan 48041, respectively;

WHEREAS, Assignors have invented certain new and useful improvements in Stanchion (RS), set forth in a Design application for Letters Patent of the United States, already filed on as U.S. application No. Not Yet Assigned; and

WHEREAS, SportRack LLC, having its principal place of business at 12900 Hall Road Suite 200, Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said Application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained therefore and thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and set over unto Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned inventions and application for Letters Patent, and in and to any and all direct and indirect divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application, and any and all Letters Patent in the United States and all foreign countries which may be granted therefore and thereon, and reissues, reexaminations and extensions of said Letters Patent, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee, for its own use and benefit and the use and benefit of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Letters Patent may be granted and/or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors, had this sale and assignment not been made.

AND for the same consideration, Assignors hereby represent and warrant to Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that, at the time of execution and

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AND Assignors hereby request the Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States to Assignee, as Assignee of said inventions and the Letters Patent to be issued thereon, for the sole use and benefit of Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

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AND Assignors acknowledge an obligation of assignment of this invention to Assignee at the time the invention was made.

Robert G. Cronce
Robert G. Cronce

Date: 7/21/04

United States of America)
State of Michigan) ss.:
County of Macomb)

On this 21st day of July, 2004, before me personally came Robert G. Cronce, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged execution of the same.

Donna M. Wollen
Notary Public-Michigan
Macomb County
My Commission Expires 01-17-2007

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