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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS <u>Tsutomu Namie</u>, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, has made an invention entitled <u>HYDRAULIC TENSIONER</u>, said invention being fully set forth and described in the application for United States Letters Patent which is being executed by ASSIGNOR concurrently herewith;

WHEREAS, Tsubakimoto Chain Co., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Japan, and engaged in business at Osaka Fukokuseimei Building 2-4, Komatsubara-cho, Kita-ku, Osaka 530-0018, Japan, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring THE entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention and any and all applications for Letters Patent and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be issued therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS IS TO WITNESS that in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to ASSIGNOR by ASSIGNEE, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned and set over, and hereby does sell, assign and set over, unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest for, to and within the United States and all foreign countries, in and to the aforesaid invention and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent and Letters Patent which may be issued therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

And ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, as owners of the entire right, title and interest therein.

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PATENT REEL: 016350 FRAME: 0927 assigns, ASSIGNOR will execute any further papers and do such other acts and things as may be necessary and proper to procure Letters Patent for said invention in the United States and in such foreign countries as ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns may elect, and vest the full title thereto in ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns.

And ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and directs his attorneys, Howson & Howson, to identify in this document the serial number and filing date of the aforesaid application for United States Letters Patent when the same shall have been made known to them by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this assignment has been executed by me on the date accompanying my signature.

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