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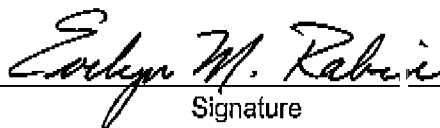
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residing at 8707 Graystone Lane Laurel, MD 20705, 4650 Solorion's Island Road  
Huntington, MD 20639 and 3905 Livingston Street Hyattsville, MI 20781

having invented an improvement in Strawberry MNUS 138

for which I (we) have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, (executed  
concurrently herewith and) identified as Department of Agriculture Case No. 0182.04 (;  
and Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_);

WHEREAS, the WORLDWIDE patent rights in my (our) share of said invention are  
assignable to the United States by virtue of my (our) having made the invention while in the  
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WHEREAS, the United States, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture, is desirous  
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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, I (we) hereby assign said  
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