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and each of us, if more than one person is identified above (hereinafter "ASSIGNOR") in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), or the equivalent thereof, and other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which and receipt of which are hereby acknowledged, paid to ASSIGNOR by

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