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I, Kenji Tomiyoshi, a citizen of Japan, residing at 10210 Parkwood Drive;
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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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Kenji Tomiyoshi

Kenji Tomiyoshi

Date: 11/30/04

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On this 30th day of November, 2004, before me personally came Kenji Tomiyoshi, 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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