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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, James R. Fleckner, of 1990 County Road, Fremont, Ohio 43420, have invented an ORNAMENTAL DESIGN FOR A TIRE TREAD for which I have executed application for United States Design Letters Patent under even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Cooper Tire & Rubber Company, of 701 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio, 45840, a corporation of Delaware, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention and any Letters Patent to issue therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations to us in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I, James R. Fleckner, do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said, Cooper Tire & Rubber Company, its successors or assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and invention in the United States and all countries foreign thereto, including the right of priority under the International Convention of 1883 and later modifications thereof, and to any Letters Patent to issue therefor, and we hereby request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue to said company any Letters Patent thereon, in accordance with the terms of this assignment.

We agree to execute any and all documents required by said company, its successors or assigns, for the prosecution of said application, or of any division, continuation, reissue, or reexamination thereof, or for securing foreign patents covering

said invention, and also any documents required by it, its successors or assigns, to more fully vest in it or them title to said invention, or to any application or patent that may be filed therefor or secured thereon.

James R. Fleckner  
James R. Fleckner

STATE OF OHIO                    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SANDUSKY )

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010, before me appeared James R. Fleckner to me personally known, and acknowledged the signing of the above instrument to be his free act and deed.

(SEAL)

Kim Blunk  
Notary Public

KIM L. BLUNK  
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My Commission Expires: 9-9-12