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<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>

WHEREAS, I (we), Zhanguo Xin

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having invented an improvement STERILE MUTANT AND TWO LINE BREEDING SYSTEM

for which I (we) have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, identified as Department of Agriculture Case No <u>0068.17</u>; (; S.N. PCT/US2019/012217 and 16/959,928 filed on January 3, 2019 and July 2, 2020 respectively).

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 employ of the United States Department of Agriculture and/or under applicable law and regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture which render the patent rights so assignable as well as such rights in any divisions, continuations in whole or part, or substitute applications; and

WHEREAS, the United States, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture, is desirous of acquiring an assignment of said patent rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, I (we) hereby assign said WORLDWIDE patent rights to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture;

I (we) agree to make, execute, and deliver to the Secretary of Agriculture all documents in such usual or other forms, terms, or contents as may be required by the Secretary for the prosecution of all applications arising from this invention, as well as after issuance of Letters Patent, and for the settlement of any derivation proceeding, post-grant review, or other action or proceeding, these applications and Letters Patent may encounter. I will aid the United States of America in every way to protect the invention as requested by the Secretary, except that any expenses arising through such assistance will be borne, through proper arrangement, by the United States of America; and

I (we) warrant that there are no outstanding assignments, grants, liens, encumbrances, or agreements, oral, written, or implied, that will impair the interests conveyed in this assignment at the time I execute this instrument.

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