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ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, **Umesh N. Gandhi** of Farmington Hills, MI, **Brian J. Pinkelman** of Ann Arbor, MI, and **Ryohei Tsuruta** of Ann Arbor, MI; (hereinafter together referred to as "ASSIGNOR"), have jointly invented, along with **Mark A. Gummin** of Silverton, OR, a certain invention entitled **OVERSTRESS PROTECTION FOR SHAPE MEMORY ALLOY SEAT ACTUATOR** as set forth in this United States Patent Application,

- executed concurrently herewith
- executed on _____
- Serial No. 17/209,774 Filed 03/23/2021

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Kentucky having its principal place of business at 6565 Headquarters Drive W1-3C, Plano, Texas 75024, ("ASSIGNEE"), desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention held by inventors Umesh N. Gandhi, Brian J. Pinkelman and Ryohei Tsuruta ;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents hereby sells, assigns, and transfers, unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to (a) the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (b) the above-identified application and all other applications for Letters Patent of the United States and countries foreign thereto for the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (c) all Letters Patent which may issue from said applications in the United States and countries foreign thereto, (d) all divisions, continuations, reissues, and extensions of said applications and Letters Patent, and (e) the right to claim for any of said applications the full benefits and priority rights under the International Convention and any other international agreement to which the United States adheres; such right, title, and interest to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all such Letters Patent may be granted as fully and entirely as would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this Assignment not been made.

ASSIGNOR HEREBY AUTHORIZES AND REQUESTS the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE as assignee of the entire interest, for the sole use and benefit of ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns.

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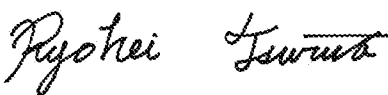
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