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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Ryan N. Ruzicka, residing in Waconia, MN; and Yasushi Sakamoto, residing in Hutchinson, MN have invented a "*Shape Memory Alloy Actuators And Methods Thereof*" for which we have executed application papers for a U.S. patent thereon, which was filed on March 8, 2021, serial no. 17/195,497; and

WHEREAS, Hutchinson Technology Incorporated, a Minnesota Corporation, having a place of business located at 40 West Highland Park Drive NE, Hutchinson, MN, 55350 is desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title and interest in and to said inventions and in the Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor in the United States of America and its territories and possessions, and all countries foreign thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, Ryan N. Ruzicka and Yasushi Sakamoto (collectively the "Inventors"), do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said Hutchinson Technology Incorporated, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest: (a) in and to said application and said inventions and any priority applications thereto, and any later filed United States utility or foreign applications claiming priority to said application; (b) in and to all rights to apply for foreign patents on said invention pursuant to the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or otherwise; (c) in and to any and all applications filed and any and all patents granted on said invention in the United States or any foreign country, including each and every application filed and each and every patent granted on any application which is a priority application, utility, division, substitution, continuation or continuation-in-part of any of said applications; and (d) in and to each and every reissue or extension of any of said patents; and (e) all claims for damages by reason of past infringement of said patents together with any back damages and royalties accrued; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of

Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said Hutchinson Technology Incorporated, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this Assignment.

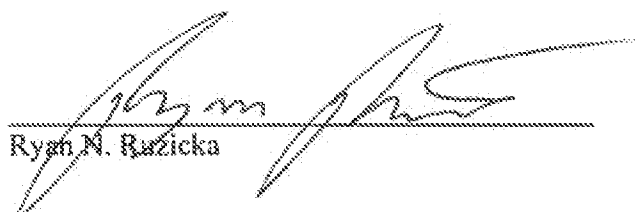
The Inventors hereby covenant and agree to cooperate with said Assignee to enable said Assignee to enjoy to the fullest extent the right, title and interest herein conveyed in the United States and foreign countries for perfecting in said Assignee the right, title and interest herein conveyed; for prosecuting any of said applications; and for filing and prosecuting utility, substitute, divisional, continuing or additional applications covering said invention.

The Inventors hereby warrant and represent that they have not entered and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding in conflict herewith.

[ASSIGNMENT CONTINUATION]

Re: U.S. Patent Application entitled: *Shape Memory Alloy Actuators And Methods Thereof*
Inventor: Ryan N. Ruzicka

WITNESS MY HAND at Hutchinson, Minnesota, this
(city, state)
15th day of June, 2021.
(date) (month) (year)



Ryan N. Ruzicka

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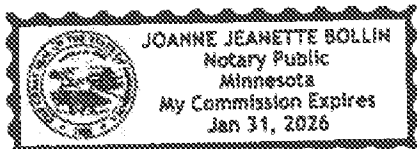
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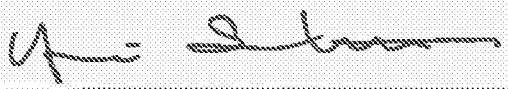


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Re: U.S. Patent Application entitled: *Shape Memory Alloy Actuators And Methods Thereof*
 Inventor: Yasushi Sakamoto

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5th day of May, 2021.
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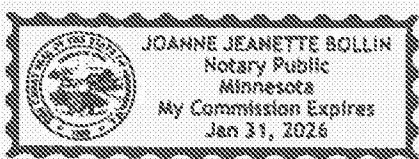
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