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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Willow Foods, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation (the "Assignor"), has adopted and used and is the sole and exclusive owner of the trademarks and related registrations listed in the attached Schedule A (the "Trademarks"), and of all of the goodwill of the business appurtenant thereto; and

WHEREAS, MHD Acquisition, Inc. (the "Assignee"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business at 510 East 5th Street, Falls City, Nebraska, wishes to acquire the Trademarks, together with all of the goodwill of the business connected to the Trademarks, from Assignor;

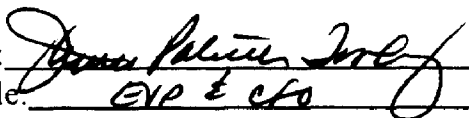
NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other valuable and legally sufficient consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto the Assignee, the entire right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks, and in and to all of the goodwill of the business appurtenant thereto, together with all claims for damages by reason of infringement of same, with the right to sue for and collect the same for its own use and enjoyment, and for the use and enjoyment of its successors, assigns or other legal representatives.

AND, the Assignor hereby warrants and covenants that it has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that it has not executed, and will not execute, any agreements inconsistent herewith.

AND, Assignor agrees to execute any instruments and to perform any acts which may be necessary to fully effectuate and record this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Assignor has caused this Assignment to be executed by its duly authorized representatives effective this 9th day of October, 1999.

WILLOW FOODS, INC.

By: 
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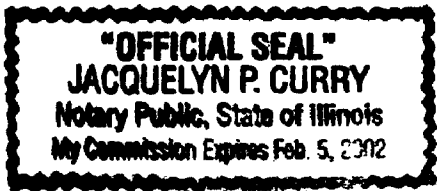
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CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, Jacquelyn P. Curry, Notary Public in and for Cook County, Illinois do hereby certify that James Patrick Toohy, personally known to me to be the same person(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as a free act and deed on behalf of the identified corporation, Willow Foods, Inc., with authority to do so.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 5th day of October, 1999.



Jacquelyn P. Curry
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Schedule A "Trademarks"

<u>Trademark</u>	<u>U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Registration No .</u>
Mickelberry's	1,744,683
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