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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS. The Valspar Corporation, a Delaware corporation, having a principal

place of business at 1101 Third Street South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55415 (hereinafter

referred to as "ASSIGNOR"), is the exclusive and record owner of the entire right, title and

interest in and to the following Trademark and the corresponding United States Trademark

Registration therefor:

Mark: AMERICAN TRADITION

Reg. No.: 2,163,975

Goods: Wood stain, clear and colored varnish, exterior varnish, and

coatings in the nature of sanding sealer

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WHEREAS, Lowe's Companies, Inc., a North Carolina corporation, having a

principal place of business at Highway 268 East, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina 28659

(hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the above-identified

trademark and the corresponding United States Trademark Registration therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt

and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR does hereby assign, transfer

and sell unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified

mark and the corresponding United States Trademark Registration therefor, together with

the goodwill of the business appurtenant to and symbolized by said mark, and all rights of

action against third parties for past infringement thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed

by said ASSIGNEE as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by ASSIGNOR

had this transfer, assignment and sale not been made.

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ASSIGNOR hereby warrants and covenants that it has the full power and authority to convey the rights, title and interests herein assigned, transferred and sold to ASSIGNEE, that it has not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith, and that it will execute any and all other instruments which may be necessary to perfect and evidence ASSIGNEE's ownership of the property and rights herein conveyed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR, intending to be legally bound, has caused this Assignment to be executed by its duly authorized officer as of the ______ day of _______, 2000.

By:

Rolf Ebgh

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