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Acknowledgement of Assignment of Trademark Rights

WHEREAS, Emick, Howard and Associates, Inc. of Seattle, Washington (Assignor), had adopted, used and registered the trademark *EVERYONE'S BEST FRIEND* for edible treats for dogs; namely cookies in class 31, as reflected in US Reg. No. 1,742,453, issued 22 December 1992.

AND, WHEREAS, Sturdy Pet Products of San Leandro, California, acquired all right, title and interest in and to the trademark and registration as successor to the business of the Assignor to which the marks relate.

AND, WHEREAS, Natura Pet Products, Inc. having an address at 1101 South Winchester Boulevard, Suite J-255, San Jose, California 95128, is the parent, by acquisition, of Sturdy Pet Products and thereby acquired all right, title and interest in and to the trademark and registration as successor to the business of Sturdy Pet Products, including that to which the marks relate.

AND, WHEREAS no assignment document has previously been specifically executed or recorded with respect to the trademark and registration.

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned, an authorized officer of Assignor, hereby acknowledges the transfer of the business and goodwill and formally assigns unto Natura Pet Products, Inc. all rights, title and interest in and to the *EVERYONE'S BEST FRIEND* mark, together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by the mark.

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