ECSE 424/542 – HUMAN-COMPUTER INTERACTION

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN CLASS PROJECT STUDY

The following students:

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are requesting your consent to take part as a voluntary subject in our class project on human-computer interaction (ECSE 424/542). Our intent is to observe and test the technology prototypes our students are developing in a meaningful, real-world usage context. Although we will be observing you, as a subject, it is important to note that we are not testing you, but rather, the system designs and the capability of the prototypes being developed.

This project will run from September until early December. The time demands are fairly minimal; likely no more than an hour every two weeks, and we would coordinate time and meeting place with you to ensure minimal disruption to your schedule. Since this is a class project, we are unable to offer any compensation for your time. You may withdraw from the project at any time.

Throughout the project, it may be valuable for us to make use of audio, photographic or video recordings to study your interaction with the various technology prototypes and to save your comments for later discussion. Your consent to such recordings is voluntary and the recordings will only be available to other members of our class through a password protected web page. You will not be identified by name in any of these materials and you can ask us not to make available any recording or remove any recording that you do not wish to be made available.

Should you have any questions concerning this project, or wish to withdraw from the study, the course instructor may be contacted at any time at the following addresses:

Prof. Jeremy Cooperstock, Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, McGill University, 3480 University Street, Montreal QC H3A 0E9, Tel: (514) 398-5992, Email: jcr@cim.mcgill.ca

Consent

I state that I have read this consent form. I understand this study, the nature and extent of my participation. I have been given the opportunity to ask questions concerning any aspects of the study and have received answers to my satisfaction.

I, the undersigned, voluntary agree to take part in this study. I can withdraw from the study at any time without prejudice of any kind. I certify that I have had sufficient time to consider my decision to participate in this study.

A signed copy of this consent form will be given to me.

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NAME OF PARTICIPANT (print)  SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT  DATE