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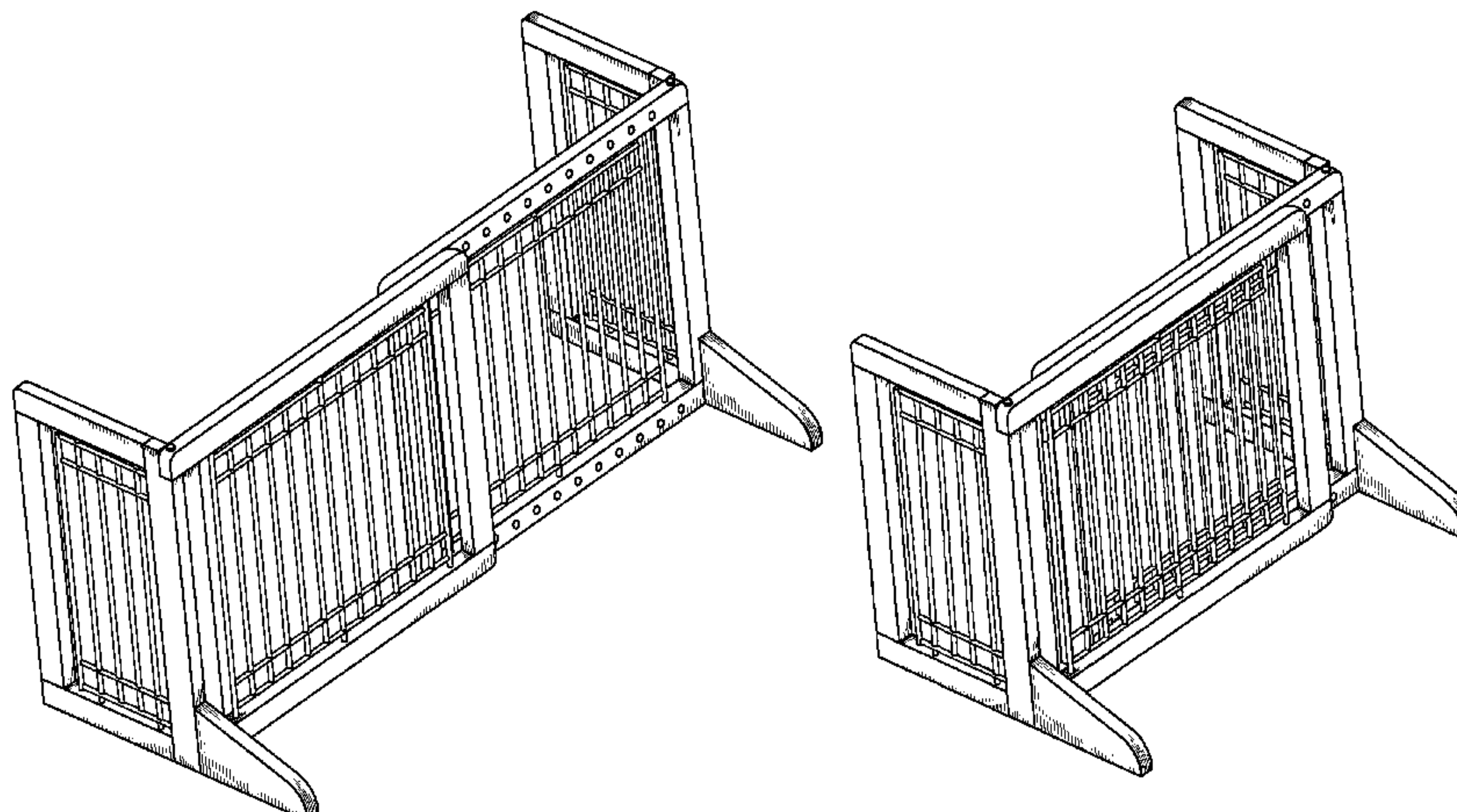
(57) **CLAIM**

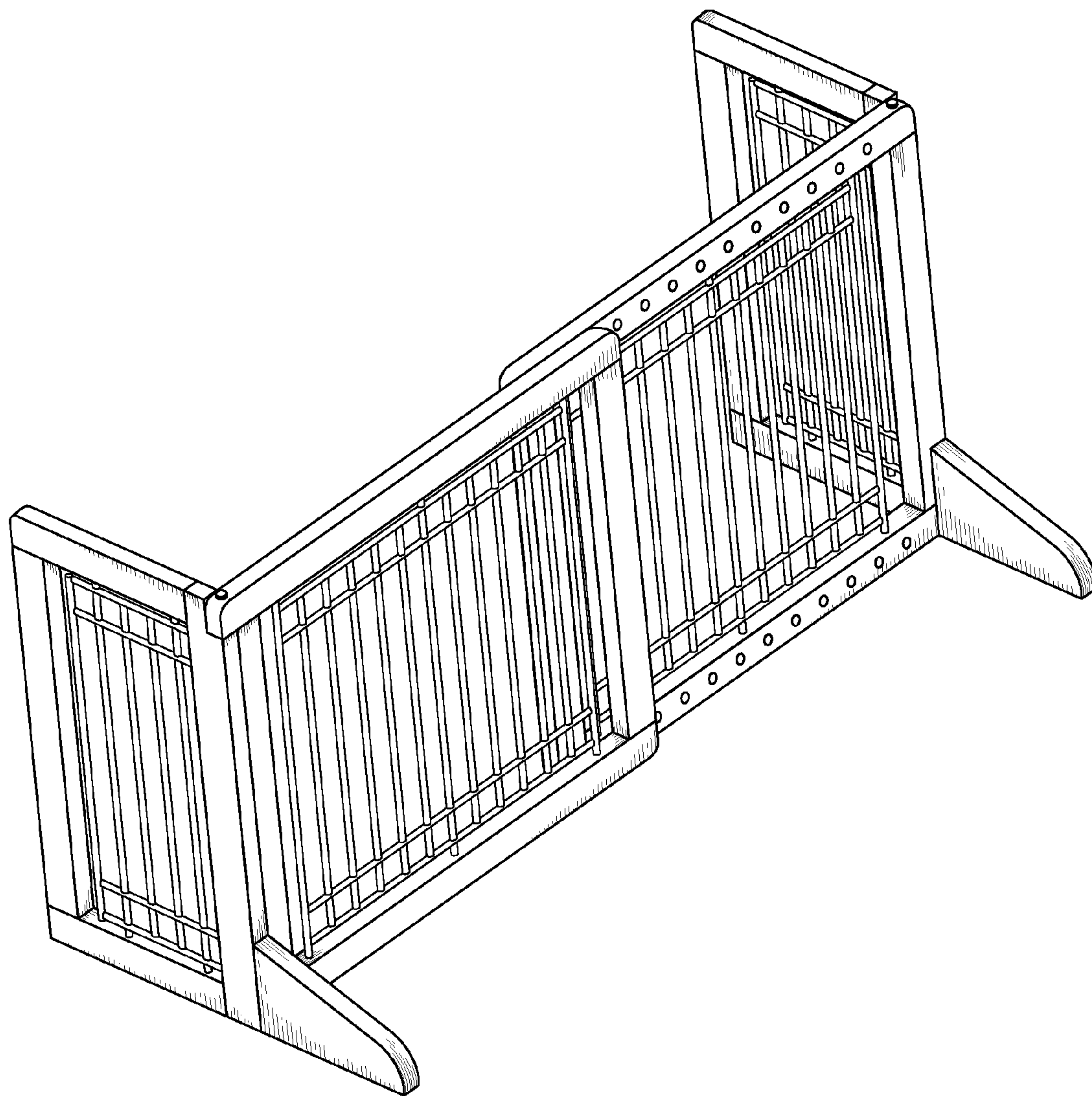
The ornamental design for a freestanding pet barrier, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

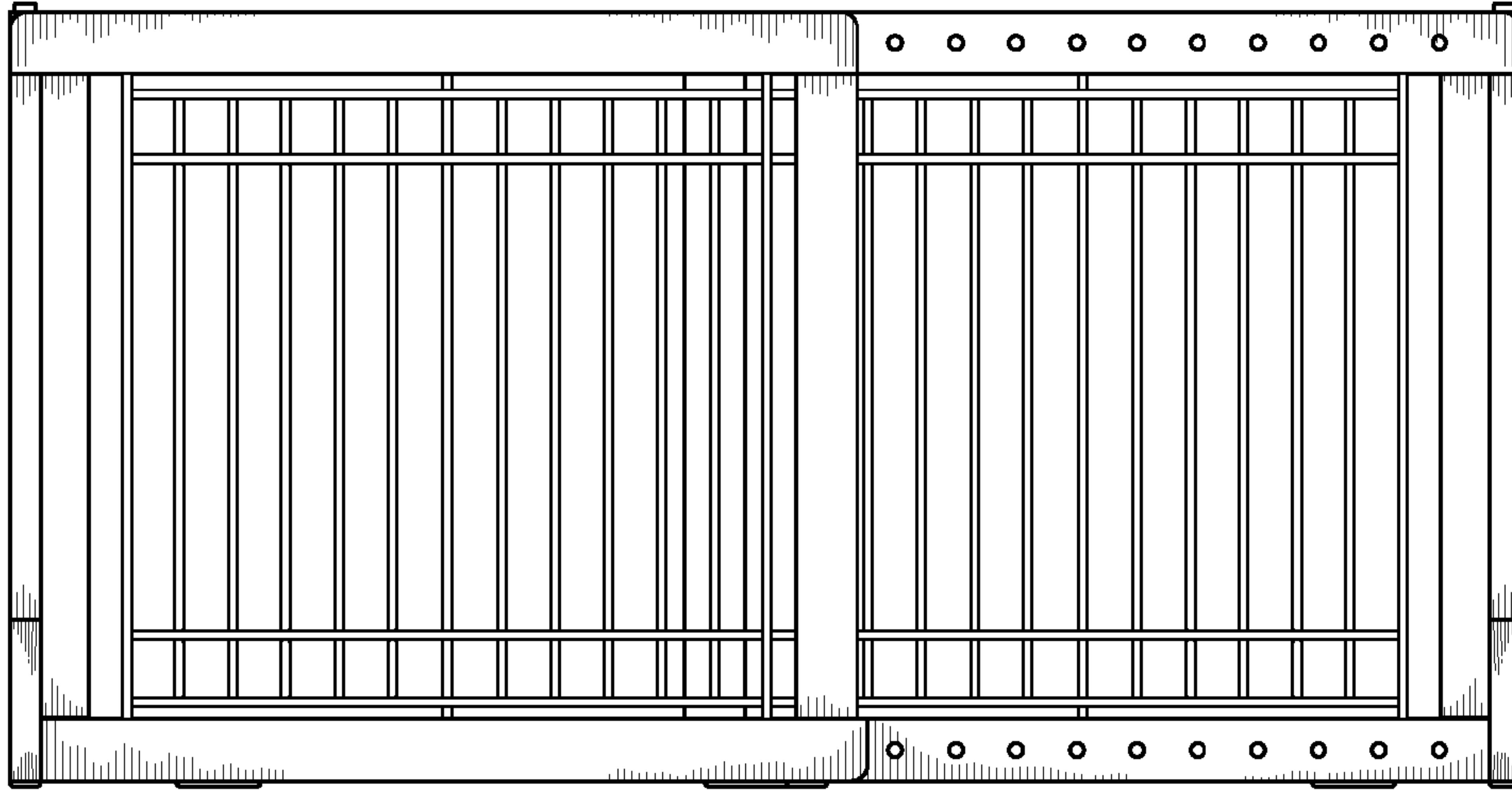
FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a freestanding pet barrier in accordance with our new design;  
 FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof;  
 FIG. 3 is a top plan view thereof;  
 FIG. 4 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
 FIG. 5 is a left elevational view thereof;  
 FIG. 6 is a right elevational view thereof; and,  
 FIG. 7 is another front perspective view thereof, in an alternate position.

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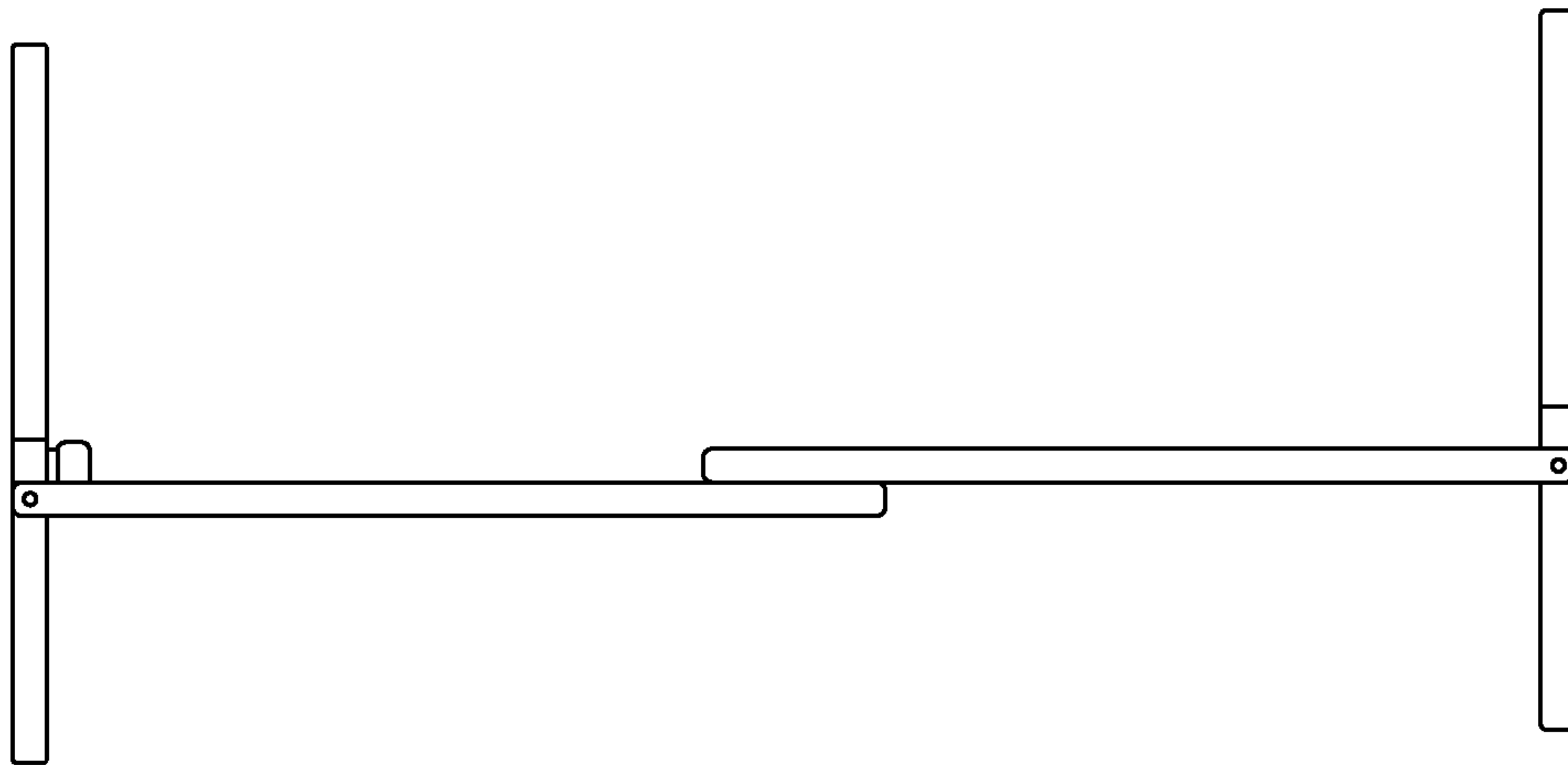




**FIG. 1**



**FIG. 2**



**FIG. 3**

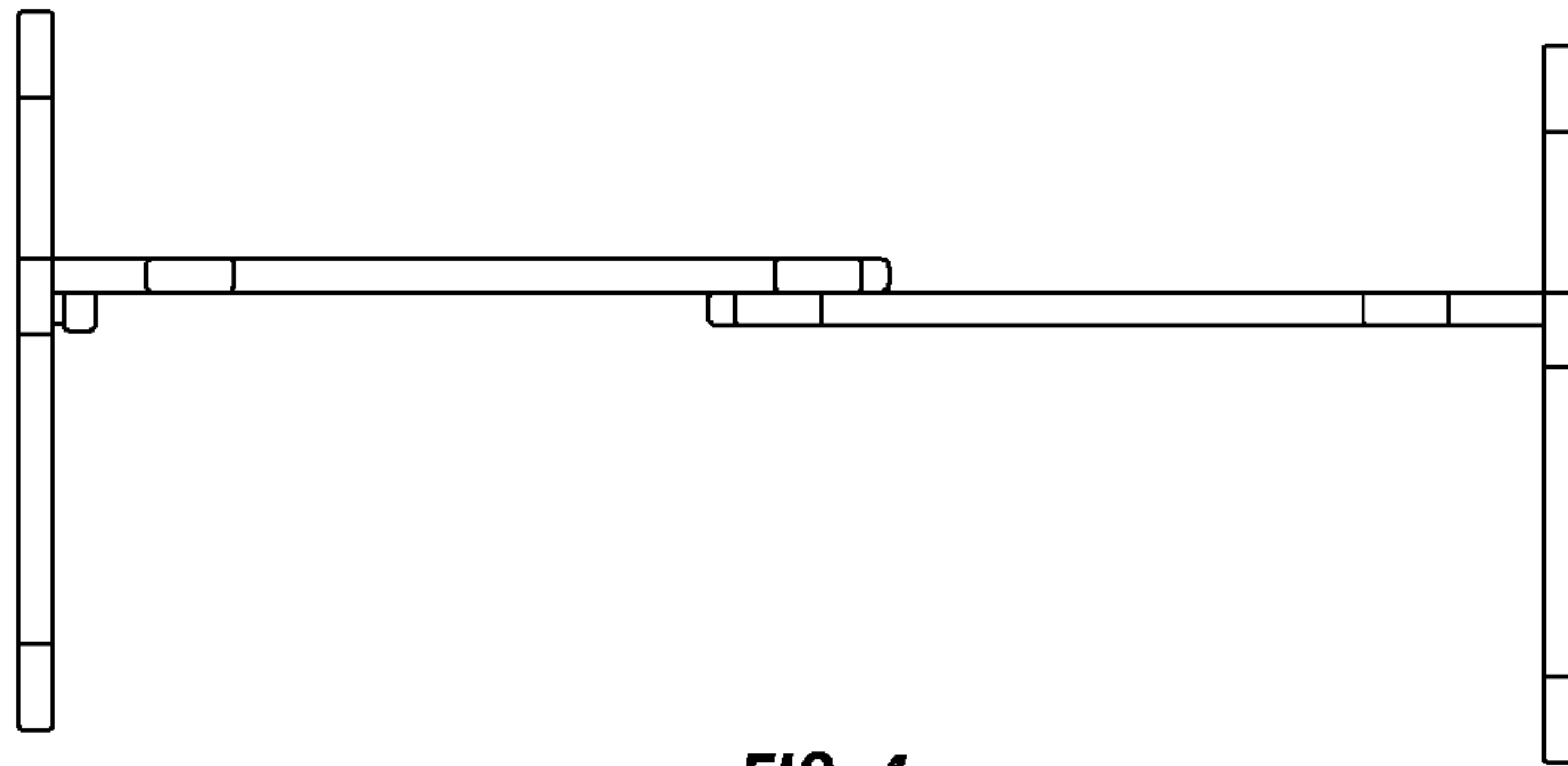


FIG. 4

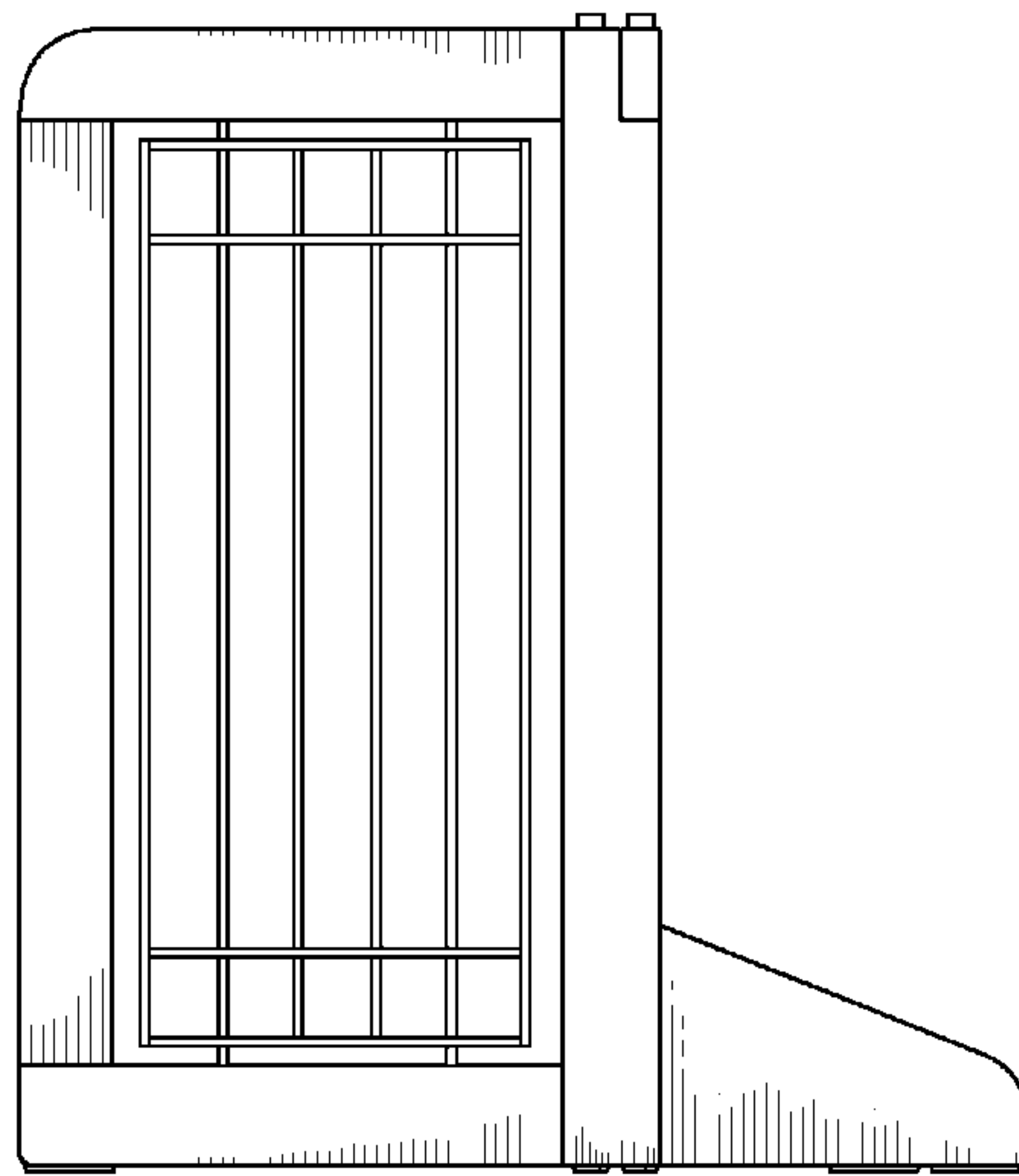
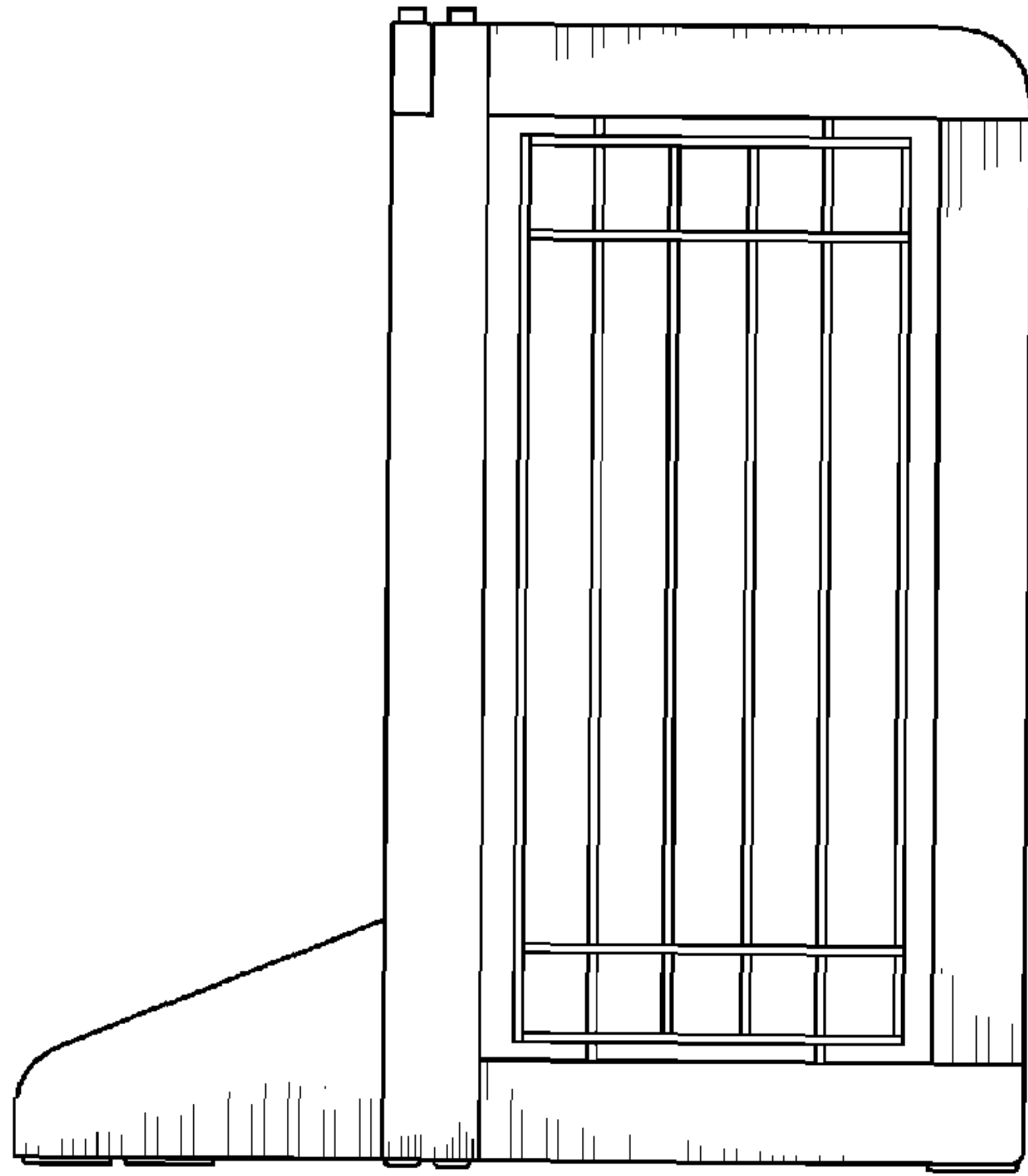
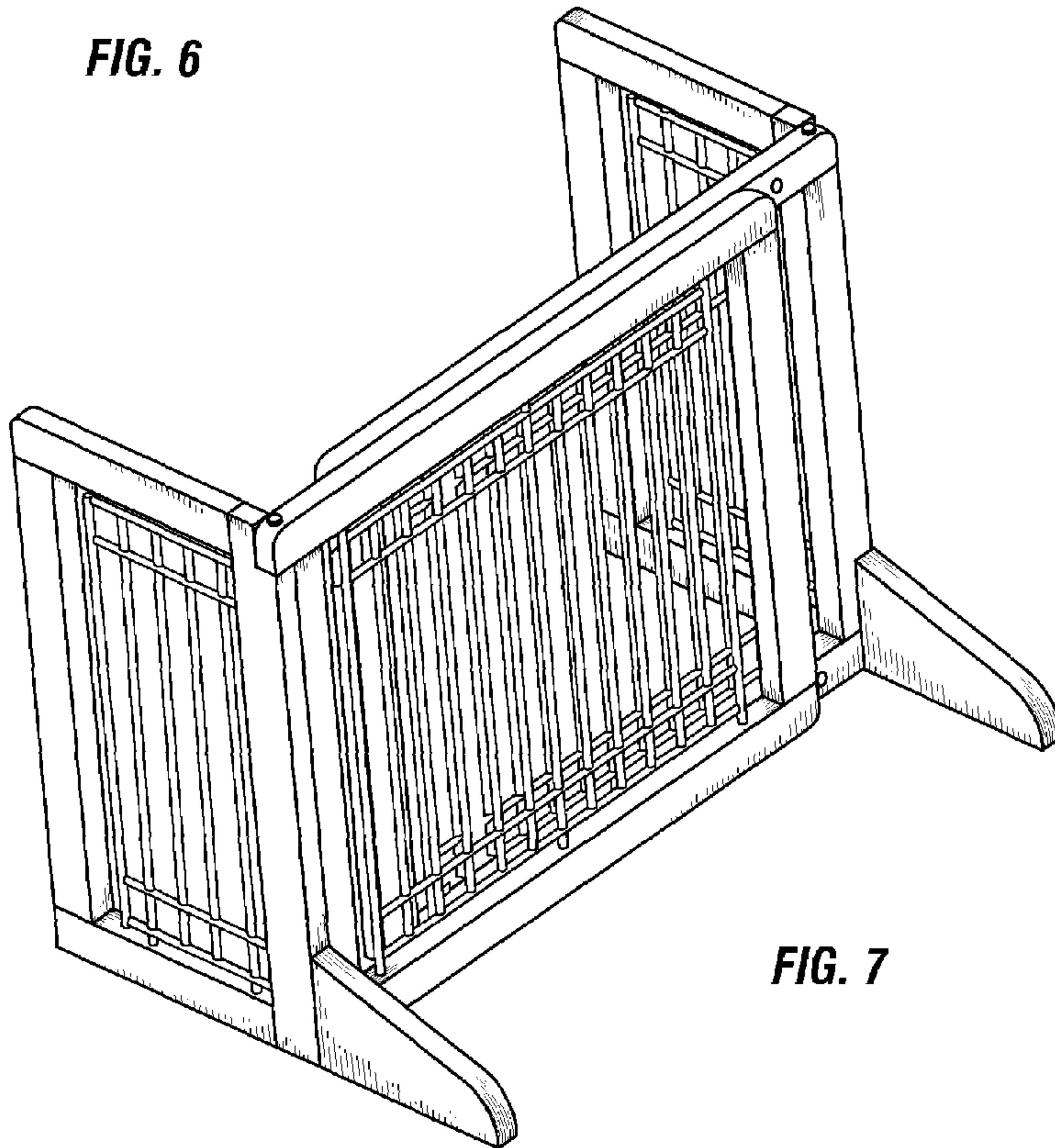


FIG. 5



**FIG. 6**



**FIG. 7**