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(54) ANGELONIA PLANT NAMED 'CAR LAVER09'

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(57) ABSTRACT

A new *Angelonia* plant named 'Car Laver09,' particularly distinguished by violet flower color, upright and medium-compact habit, dense foliage, strong stems, and good floriferousness.

1 Drawing Sheet

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Latin name of the genus and species of the plant claimed: *Angelonia angustifolia*.

Varietal denomination: 'Car Laver09'.

BACKGROUND OF THE NEW PLANT

The present invention comprises a new *Angelonia*, botanically known as *Angelonia angustifolia* and hereinafter referred to by the variety name 'Car Laver09.'

'Car Laver09' is a product of a planned breeding program. 10 The new cultivar 'Car Laver09' has a violet flower color, upright and medium-compact habit with dense foliage, strong stems, and good floriferousness.

'Car Laver09' originated from a hybridization in a controlled breeding program in Gilroy, Calif. U.S.A. The female parent was an unpatented hybrid seedling identified as '148-3' with lavender color. '148-3' has a darker lavender color, taller plant habit, and is less floriferious than 'Car Laver09.'

The male parent of 'Car Laver09' was an unpatented hybrid seedling identified as '257-5' with lavender color. '257-5' has a darker flower color, less branching, and is less floriferious than 'Car Laver09.'

'Car Laver09' was selected as one flowering plant within the progeny of the stated cross in July 2003 in a controlled environment in Gilroy, Calif. U.S.A.

The first act of asexual reproduction of 'Car Laver09' was accomplished when vegetative cuttings taken from the initial selection in July 2003 in a controlled environment in Gilroy, Calif. U.S.A. The pollination took place in October 2002 and the seed sowing in April 2003 all in Gilroy, Calif., U.S.A.

Horticultural examination of plants grown from cuttings of the plant initiated in July 2003 in Gilroy, Calif. U.S.A., and continuing thereafter, has demonstrated that the combination of characteristics as herein disclosed for 'Car Laver09' are firmly fixed and are retained through successive generations of asexual reproduction.

'Car Laver09' has not been observed under all possible environmental conditions. The phenotype may vary significantly with variations in environment such as temperature, light intensity and day length.

A Plant Breeder's Right for this cultivar was applied for in Canada on Dec. 24, 2007. 'Car Laver09' has not been made publicly available more than one year prior to the filing of this application.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The accompanying photographic drawing shows typical flower and foliage characteristics of 'Car Laver09' with colors being as true as possible with an illustration of this type. The photographic drawing shows a flowering plant of the new variety grown in a field trial in Gilroy, Calif. U.S.A. in August 2007.

DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

The measurements were taken in Gilroy, Calif. U.S.A. in June 2008 on plants that were growing in gallon pots. These plants were approximately 6 months old.

Color Chart used: Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart (R.H.S.) 2001.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF INVENTION

The following observations, measurements, and comparisons describe plants grown outside in Gilroy, Calif. U.S.A. The following traits have been repeatedly observed and are determined to be basic characteristics of the new variety. The combination of these characteristics distinguishes this *Angelonia* as a new and distinct variety.

TABLE 1

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE NEW VARIETY 'CAR LAVER09' AND A SIMILAR VARIETY

Plant habit Broader and shorter Narrower and taller Foliage color Darker stem and foliage Lighter stems and folia Foliage size Larger Smaller	ge

35 Plant:

Form, growth and habit.—Upright and medium-compact habit, dense foliage, and strong stems.

Plant height.—38–42 cm.

Plant height (inflorescence included).—41–46 cm. Plant width.—40–50 cm.

Foliage:

Immature, leaf color, upper surface.—RHS 137A. Lower surface.—RHS 137C.

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Mature, leaf color, upper surface.—Darker than RHS Size lower lip, mid-petal length.—1.1–1.2 cm from 137A. corolla opening. Size lower lip, mid-petal width.—0.9 cm. Lower surface.—RHS 137C. *Length*.6.3–7.5 cm. *Petal shape.*—Obovate. Width.-0.9-1.0 cm.*Apex shape.*—Rounded. Shape.—Elliptical. Margin.—Papillose and glandular hairs on both sur-Base shape.—Cuncate. faces. Corolla color, inside.—RHS N155B ground color, with Apex shape.—Acute. *Margin*.—Serrate. a little overlaid color of RHS N87C; RHS N79B *Texture.*—Glandular hairs. 10 spots. Color of veins, upper and lower surfaces.—RHS 144A. Corolla color, outside.—RHS N155B ground color, with a little overlaid color of RHS N87C–D; RHS N77B Stem: *Number of main stems per plant.*—About 6. spots. Number of leaves per stem.—10–14. Duration of flowering.—Continuous flowering through-Color of stem.—RHS 144A. out the Summer. Length of stem.—30–35 cm. Fragrance.—None. *Diameter.*—0.3–0.4 cm. *Lastingness of individual florets.*—About 6–7 days. Bud (just before opening): Length of internodes.—1.7–2.5 cm. Color.—RHS N187B. *Texture.*—Glandular hairs. *Length.*—1.0–1.2 cm. Inflorescence: *Type.*—Terminal raceme florets, solitary in leaf axils, Width.-0.6-0.7 cm. Shape.—Obicular. sometimes appear alternate or opposite. Number of florets per raceme.—20–30. *Number of sepals.*—5, fused at base. Raceme length.—12–15 cm. Color of sepals.—RHS 147A. Color of pedicel.—RHS 144A basally; with anthocya- 25 Length of sepals.—0.3–0.5 cm. nins of RHS 178A towards the apex. Width of sepals.—0.1 cm. Length of pedicel.—1.7–2.5 cm. Sepal shape.—Lanceolate. Diameter of pedicel.—0.1 cm. *Apex shape.*—Acute. *Texture.*—Many glandular hairs. *Margins*.—Entire. Corolla: *Texture.*—Glabrous, both sides. 30 *Form.*—Single, two-lipped (5-petaled, fused at base). Reproductive organs: Length of floret.—2.2–2.4 cm. Pistil.—1. Length.—0.3–0.4 cm. Width of floret.—2.1–2.3 cm. Color, upper lip petals, upper surface.—RHS N87A; Style color.—RHS N155B but whiter. fading to RHS N87B at the corolla opening. Stigma color.—RHS N155B but whiter with a RHS 35 Color, upper lip petals, lower surface.—RHS N87B to 144A tip. *Number of stamens.*—4, in pairs. Size, upper lip petal length.—0.7 cm from corolla open-Length filaments.—0.4 cm. Color of filaments.—RHS N155B but whiter. ing. Color lower lip, lateral petals, upper surface.—RHS 40 Color of pollen.—RHS N155A. N87B at the outer portion; RHS N87C at the corolla Pollen amount.—Very scarce. *Fertility/seed set.*—Not observed on this hybrid. opening. Disease/pest resistance: Disease resistance or susceptibility Color lower lip, lateral petals, lower surface.—RHS N87B to C. has not been observed on this hybrid. Size lower lip, lateral petals length.—0.8–0.9 cm from 45 What is claimed is: corolla opening.

Size lower lip, lateral petals width.—0.9–1.2 cm.

RHS N155B with RHS 144A basally.

Color lower lip, mid-petal, upper surface.—Mostly

Color lower lip, mid-petal, lower surface.—RHS N87C.

RHS N87C with a few slight blotches of RHS N87B;

1. A new and distinct variety of *Angelonia* plant named 'Car Laver09,' substantially as illustrated and described herein.

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