CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A garment configured to be worn by a wearer having two breasts, the garment comprising:

a set of two support structures positioned within a housing such that each support structure corresponds to a position between a center and a bottom of the wearer's breast when the garment is worn by the wearer, each support structure being configured to reposition a portion of a volume of the wearer's respective breast and support a portion of a weight of the wearer's respective breast when worn by the wearer;

the housing coupled to the set of support structures, the housing being configured to house the set of support structures and wrap around the wearer's chest, thereby enabling the wearer to wear the garment.

2. The garment of claim 1, wherein the set of support structures is manufactured using at least one of a molding process, a cutting process, and a punch process.

3. The garment of claim 1, wherein each support structure is configured to exert a force opposing the portion of the weight of the wearer's breasts when the garment is worn by the wearer.

4. The garment of claim 1, wherein each support structure is configured to exert a force opposing the portion of the weight of the wearer's breasts when the garment is worn by the wearer, wherein the opposing force is exerted independently of the housing.

5. The garment of claim 1, wherein each support structure is configured to redistribute the portion of the weight of the wearer's breasts to the wearer's torso when the garment is worn by the wearer.

6. The garment of claim 1, wherein each support structure is self-supporting independently of the housing.

7. The garment of claim 1, wherein a portion of each support structure is configured to extend substantially orthogonally from the plane of the wearer's torso when the garment is worn by the wearer.

8. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of flexible structures positioned within the housing such that each flexible structure is coincident with one of the support structures of the set of two support structures.

9. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of flexible structures positioned within the housing such that each flexible structure is coincident with one of the support structures of the set of two support structures, each of the flexible structures

having a lower extension positioned within the housing so as to be coincident with a portion of a torso of the wearer located under the wearer's breast when the garment is worn by the wearer.

10. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of flexible structures positioned within the housing such that each flexible structure is coincident with one of the support structures of the set of two support structures, each of the flexible structures having a lower extension positioned within the housing so as to be coincident with a portion of a torso of the wearer located under the wearer's breast when the garment is worn, a width of the lower extension being proportional to the portion of the weight being supported by at least one of the support structure, the flexible structure, and a combination thereof.

11. The garment of claim 1, each of the support structures further comprising:

one or more perforations.

12. The garment of claim 1, wherein each support structure includes a plurality of layers of material.

13. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a layer of flexible material coupled to each support structure and positioned within the housing, the layer of flexible material being configured to

conform to the shape of the wearer's breasts and support a portion of the weight of the wearer's breasts when worn by the wearer.

14. The garment of claim 1, the support structures further comprising:

a band, the band extending between and coupled to an inner extension and an outer extension, the band being configured to correspond to a position between a center and a bottom of the wearer's breast and extend in a direction substantially perpendicular to a midline of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer;

the inner extension, the inner extension being positioned at or near a midline of the wearer and extending at least one of above the band, below the band, and above and below the band, in a vertical direction substantially in parallel with a midline of the wearer when worn by the wearer; and

the outer extension extending at least one of above the band, below the band, and above and below the band in a vertical direction substantially in parallel with a side of the wearer when worn by the wearer.

15. The garment of claim 1, the housing further comprising:

a plurality of attachment mechanisms configured to removably attach to one or more embellishments.

16. The garment of claim 1, each of the support structures further comprising:

a side extension, the side extension being configured to correspond to a side of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer.

17. A garment configured to be worn by a wearer having two breasts, the garment comprising:

a set of flexible structures positioned within the housing such a first flexible structure corresponds to a position extending between a center and a bottom of the wearer's first breast when the garment is worn by the wearer and a second flexible structure corresponds to a position extending between a center and a bottom of the wearer's second breast when the garment is worn by the wearer, each flexible structure being configured to reposition a portion of a volume of the wearer's respective breast and support a portion of a weight of the wearer's respective breast when worn by the wearer; and

the housing coupled to the set of flexible structures, the housing being configured to house the set of flexible structures and wrap around the wearer's chest, thereby enabling the wearer to wear the garment.

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the housing coupled to the set of support structures, the housing being configured to house the set of support structures and wrap around the wearer's chest, thereby enabling the wearer to wear the garment.

2. The garment of claim 1, wherein each support structure is configured to redistribute the portion of the weight of the wearer's breasts to the wearer's torso when the garment is worn by the wearer.

3. The garment of claim 1, wherein a portion of each support structure is configured to extend substantially orthogonally from the plane of the wearer's torso when the garment is worn by the wearer.

4. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of flexible structures positioned within the housing such that each flexible structure is coincident with one of the support structures of the set of two support structures.

5. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of flexible structures positioned within the housing such that each flexible structure is coincident with one of the support structures of the set of two support structures, each of the flexible structures having a lower extension positioned within the housing so as to be coincident with a portion of a torso of the wearer located under the wearer's breast when the garment is worn by the wearer.

6. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of flexible structures positioned within the housing such that each flexible structure is coincident with one of the support structures of the set of two support structures, each of the flexible structures having a lower extension positioned within the housing so as to be coincident with a portion of a torso of the wearer located under the wearer's breast when the garment is worn, a width of the lower extension being proportional

to the portion of the weight being supported by at least one of the support structure, the flexible structure, and a combination thereof.

7. The garment of claim 1, each of the support structures further comprising:
one or more perforations.

8. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:
a layer of flexible material coupled to each support structure and positioned within the housing, the layer of flexible material being configured to conform to the shape of the wearer's breasts and support a portion of the weight of the wearer's breasts when worn by the wearer.

9. The garment of claim 1, the support structures further comprising:
a band, the band extending between and coupled to an inner extension and an outer extension, the band being configured to correspond to a position between a center and a bottom of the wearer's breast and extend in a direction substantially perpendicular to a midline of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer;
the inner extension, the inner extension being positioned at or near a midline of the wearer and extending at least one of above the band, below the band, and above and below the band, in a vertical direction substantially in parallel with a midline of the wearer when worn by the wearer; and
the outer extension extending at least one of above the band, below the band, and above and below the band in a vertical direction substantially in parallel with a side of the wearer when worn by the wearer.

10. The garment of claim 1, each of the support structures further comprising:
an outer extension, a portion of the outer extension being configured to correspond to a side of a torso of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer.

11. The garment of claim 10, wherein the portion of the outer extension is configured to correspond to the side and a portion of a back of the torso of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer.

12. The garment of claim 1, wherein each of the support structures are shaped so as to wrap around a portion of a side of a torso of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer.

13. The garment of claim 12, wherein each of the support structures are shaped so as to wrap around the side and a portion of a back of the torso of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer.

14. The garment of claim 1, each of the support structures further comprising:
an inner extension, the inner extension being positioned near a vertical midline of the wearer when the garment is worn by the wearer.

15. The garment of claim 1, further comprising:

a set of two flexible structures positioned within the housing such that each flexible structure is coincident with one of the support structures of the set of two support structures, the flexible structures including a plurality of perforations.