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If I could invent something new, it would be an ergonomic washing machine designed with comfort and practicality in mind, particularly for individuals above the age of 35 who may be needing to adjust their lifestyle in ways that will ensure their body is aligned to certain tasks, chores or cleaning activities.

This innovative appliance would feature a horizontal tub shaped machine with top loading on an adjustable raised platform.

This will be similar to flipping the current vertical shaped washing machines to stand in a horizontal manner and placed on an adjustable stand that will enable a user adjust the stand to suit their height or fit their strength or abilities in the case of a physically challenged person.

What inspired this idea is that I have often read about ergonomic furniture and found that manufacturers focus mostly on producing ergonomic chairs and office desks forgetting that ergonomic furniture and appliances should be a major focus of research as the society continues to progress.

The reason is that ergonomic appliances like an ergonomic washing machine will serve the needs of people with back pain or people who are aging and do not want to suffer back pain due to bending their backs in order to use the regular washing machines.

The ergonomic washing machine will also serve older people who are suffering from knee or joint pain. It will serve the needs of people who are physically challenged who are either using a wheel chair, crutches or suffer any kind of disabilities.

In summary, all human beings need one form of ergonomic appliance or the other and the future of home chore or home service appliances will be controlled by producers and manufacturers who will consider changing the future designs of their washing machines or other home service appliances into ergonomic ones.

The benefits of this design are many and I will like to mention some of these benefits.

Firstly, the ergonomic shape and raised platform will remove the need for bending and straining, reducing the risk of back pain and any kind of discomfort common with traditional washing machines. This feature would be beneficial for persons who cannot move around conveniently and people with mild or chronic back pain.

Secondly, the horizontal shape would allow for more efficient washing and reduced energy consumption, help to save cost from increased medical bills and also help reduce carbon footprint. The increase in capacity would also enable users to wash bulkier items with ease. Lastly, the adjustable raised platform would cater to users of different heights, ensuring that everyone can comfortably load and unload laundry without straining their back.

In conclusion, my invention would change the way we do laundry by reducing the difficulty experienced from lifting heavy laundry. It will also minimize back pain, and discomfort experienced while using traditional washing. It would greatly benefit many adults, children and young people also enabling them to manage their laundry while reducing strain, fatigue and ensure good bodily posture during laundry.

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