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PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Paul A. Spence, residing at 5818 Orion Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40222 (hereinafter "Assignor") being a co-inventor with and having been assigned all rights, title and interest of Mark Ortiz and Randy Whedon in and to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/610,784, filed July 6, 2000 (U.S. Patent No. 6,419,696), and U.S. Patent Application No. 10/145,416 filed May 14, 2002, and International Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US01/17534, filed on May 31, 2001 each entitled ANNULOPLASTY DEVICES AND RELATED HEART VALVE REPAIR METHODS, (hereinafter "the Patent Rights") preparatory to obtaining patents therefor.

WHEREAS, the Assignor desires to assign the Patent Rights to Medtentia AB (hereinafter "Assignee"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Sweden and having its principal office at Ideon Ole Römers Väg 12, SE-223 70 Lund, Sweden.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, said Assignor does by these presents hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to Assignee, its legal representatives, successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said Patent Rights, and in and to the subject matter disclosed therein, and any continuations, divisions, renewals, substitutes or reissues thereof, and in and to all Letters Patents Domestic and Foreign issued or to be obtained thereon, including all rights and interests with priority rights under the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the International Patent Cooperative Union, European Patent Convention, Common Market Convention, or any other Convention or Union for each country of said Convention or Union, the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee, to the end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent are or may be granted or reissued as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by said Assignor, had said sale, transfer and assignment not been made; together with all claims for damages by reason of past infringement of said Letters Patents, with a right

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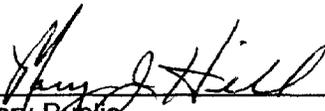
Executed this 18th day of December, 2002.



Paul A. Spence

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On this 31st day of December, 2002, before me personally appeared Paul A. Spence to me known and known by me to be the above-named individual who acknowledged the signing of the foregoing instrument to be a voluntary act and deed and who executed the same for the uses and purposes therein specified.



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