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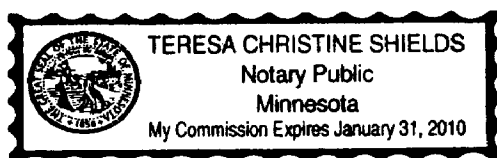
For valuable consideration, I, Warren L. Starkebaum of 4230 Trenton Lane, Plymouth, MN 55441, hereby assign to: Medtronic, Inc., having a place of business at: 710 Medtronic Parkway, Minneapolis, MN 55432 and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are the subject of an application for United States Patent signed by me, entitled BULKING OF UPPER ESOPHAGEAL SPHINCTER FOR TREATMENT OF OBESITY, filed April 28, 2005, and assigned U.S. Serial Number 11/117,060, this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, including any and all extensions, divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part or reissues thereof, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our name or in its own name for patents, utility models, design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

Date: June 21, 2005

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