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**ASSIGNMENT
(PATENT APPLICATION)**

WHEREAS, we, ("ASSIGNORS"):

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having invented a certain new and useful invention entitled:

SURGICAL INSTRUMENT

for which a United States patent application is to be filed or has been filed on February 20, 2007
under U.S. Patent Application No. 11/573,958; and

WHEREAS, ("ASSIGNEE"):

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is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention throughout the
United States or the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters
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FOR GOOD and VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the full receipt and sufficiency of which are
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application number of the application when these are known;

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the invention which is disclosed in the above-identified patent application, and, in and to any and
all patent applications related thereto including, but not limited to, all provisionals, non-
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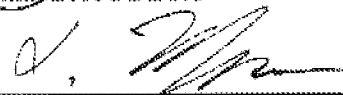
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