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### ASSIGNMENT

ASSIGNMENT ("Assignment"), dated as of March 10, 2009, Alveolus, Inc., a North Carolina corporation having a principal place of business at 9013 Perimeter Woods Drive, Suite A, Charlotte, NC 28216 ("Assignor"), is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to a United States Patent Application entitled Esophageal Stent And Associated Method, Serial No. 11/410,426 filed on 4/25/2006, in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the inventions or improvements disclosed in the patents and patent applications, hereinafter "the Intellectual Property").

Assignor has agreed to assign and transfer its entire right, title and interest in and to the Intellectual Property to Merit Medical Systems, Inc., a Utah corporation having a principal place of business at 1600 West Merit Parkway, South Jordan, Utah 84095 ("Assignee")

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the promises herein and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable and legally sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor does hereby sell, convey, transfer and assign and deliver unto Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the Intellectual Property; and any and all other patent applications, both United States and foreign, which the undersigned has filed or may file, either solely or jointly with others, on said inventions or improvements, and in any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries, which may be obtained on any of said applications, and in and to any and all renewals,

reissue or extension of such patents; together with all rights to sue and recover for past infringement thereof, to have and to hold forever for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of Assignee.

ALVEOLUS, INC.



By: Tony Alexander  
Its: Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

State of North Carolina  
County of Mecklenburg County

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of MAY, 2009 by Tony Alexander.

Date: 5/1/2009

Official Signature of Notary



Notary Public

My commission expires: 10-5-2010

