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CERTIFICATE OF MERGER

OF
ZIMMER SPINE AUSTIN, INC. (a Delaware Corporation)
WITH AND INTO
ZIMMER SPINE, INC. (a Delaware Corporation)

(UNDER SECTION 251 OF THE GENERAL CORPORATION LAW OF DELAWARE)

The undersigned corporation, organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of Delaware, does hereby certify:

FIRST: That the name and state of incorporation of each of the constituent corporations of the merger are as follows:

- (a) Zimmer Spine Austin, Inc., a Delaware corporation, formerly known as Abbott Spine Inc. (the "Non-Surviving Corporation"); and
- (b) Zimmer Spine, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Surviving Corporation").

SECOND: That an Agreement of Merger, by and between the Surviving Corporation and the Non-Surviving Corporation (the "Agreement of Merger"), has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by each of the constituent corporations in accordance with the requirements of Section 251 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware.

THIRD: That the name of the Surviving Corporation is "Zimmer Spine, Inc."

FOURTH: That the Certificate of Incorporation of the Surviving Corporation, as in effect immediately prior to the effective time of the merger, shall be the Certificate of Incorporation of the surviving corporation.

FIFTH: That the executed Agreement of Merger is on file at an office of the Surviving Corporation at 7375 Bush Lake Road, Minneapolis, MN 55439-2027.

SIXTH: That a copy of the Agreement of Merger will be furnished by the Surviving Corporation, on request and without cost, to any stockholder of either of the constituent corporations.

SEVENTH: That this Certificate of Merger shall be effective on September 1, 2009, at 12:01 a.m. CDT.

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ZIMMER SPINE, INC., a Delaware corporation

Name: <u>Damien McDonaid</u>

Title: President

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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER, WHICH MERGES:

"ZIMMER SPINE AUSTIN, INC.", A DELAWARE CORPORATION,

WITH AND INTO "ZIMMER SPINE, INC." UNDER THE NAME OF "ZIMMER SPINE, INC.", A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF AUGUST, A.D. 2009, AT 5:27 O'CLOCK P.M.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AFORESAID CERTIFICATE OF MERGER IS THE FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 2009.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

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