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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Erwin Kuipers, am the inventor named in an application for Letters Patent of the United States entitled AVOIDANCE OF USER DISCOMFORT DUE TO PRESSURE DIFFERENCES BY VENT VALVE, AND ASSOCIATED SYSTEMS AND METHODS; and I hereby authorize the attorneys of the firm of Christensen O'Connor Johnson Kindness<sup>PLLC</sup>, 1201 Third Avenue, Suite 3600, Seattle, Washington 98101, to insert here in parentheses (Application No. 16/370667, filed March 29, 2019) the application number and filing date of said application when known;

AND, WHEREAS, Sonova AG, a Swiss corporation having a principal place of business at Laubistrasse 28, 8712 Stäfa, Switzerland (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring my entire right and title to and interest in my invention disclosed in said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, for sufficient, good, and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto ASSIGNEE my entire right and title to and interest in said application and said invention, including the right to apply for international patents and patents thereon in foreign countries in my name or in the name of ASSIGNEE, said invention and all applications and patents on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE as entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me had this sale, assignment, and transfer not been made; and I do hereby further agree and promise to execute all instruments and render all such assistance as ASSIGNEE may request in order to make and prosecute any and all applications on said invention, to enforce any and all patents on said invention, and to confirm in ASSIGNEE legal title to said invention and all applications and patents on said invention, all without charge to ASSIGNEE but at no expense to me.

*[Signature Page to Follow]*

Executed at Stäfa (city), Surteiland (state),  
this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

  
Erwin Kuipers

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Erwin Kuipers is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_


(Seal or stamp)

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Signature  
Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
My appointment expires \_\_\_\_\_

Signed and hereby accepted on behalf of Assignee:

Sonova AG

Date: 3/28/2019

  
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