

## PATENT ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Execution Date</b>
Transenterix, Inc.	02/23/2021
<b>RECEIVING PARTY DATA</b>	
<b>Company Name:</b>	Asensus Surgical, Inc.
<b>Street Address:</b>	1 TW Alexander Drive
<b>Internal Address:</b>	Suite 160
<b>City:</b>	Durham
<b>State/Country:</b>	NORTH CAROLINA
<b>Postal Code:</b>	27703
<b>PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 2</b>	
<b>Property Type</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>Patent Number:</b>	8827135
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<b>CORRESPONDENCE DATA</b>	
<b>Fax Number:</b>	
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<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	Kathleen Frost
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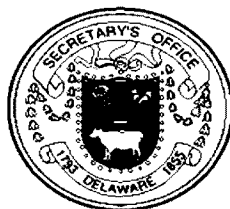



# Delaware

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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 RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF "TRANSENERIX, INC.", CHANGING ITS NAME FROM "TRANSENERIX, INC." TO "ASENSUS SURGICAL, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 2021, AT 9:34 O'CLOCK A.M.*



  
Jeffrey W. Bullock, Secretary of State

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**PATENT**  
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**AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF  
TRANSENERIX, INC.**

TransEnterix, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "*Corporation*"), certifies that:

1. The name of the Corporation is TransEnterix, Inc. The Corporation was originally incorporated under the name "NCS Ventures Corp.". The Corporation's original Certificate of Incorporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on August 19, 1988.
2. This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation was duly adopted in accordance with Sections 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.
3. The text of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation is set forth in EXHIBIT A attached hereto.
4. This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation shall become effective on filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, TransEnterix, Inc. has caused this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be signed by Anthony Fernando, a duly authorized officer of the Corporation, on February 23, 2021.



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Name: Anthony Fernando  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

**EXHIBIT A**

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF  
ASENSUS SURGICAL, INC.**

**FIRST:** The name of the Corporation is Asensus Surgical, Inc.

**SECOND:** The address, including street, number, city, and county, of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of Delaware is Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801; and the name of the registered agent of the Corporation in the State of Delaware at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

**THIRD:** The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

**FOURTH:** The aggregate number of shares of all classes of capital stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 775,000,000, of which 750,000,000 shall be common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, and 25,000,000 shall be preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. The board of directors of the Corporation may determine the times when, the terms under which and the consideration for which the Corporation shall issue, dispose of or receive subscriptions for its shares, including treasury shares, or acquire its own shares. The consideration for the issuance of the shares shall be paid in full before their issuance and shall not be less than the par value per share. Upon payment of such consideration, such shares shall be deemed to be fully paid and non-assessable by the Corporation.

A description of the different classes and series of the Corporation's capital stock and a statement of the powers, designations, preferences, limitations and relative rights of the shares of each class of and series of capital stock are as follows:

A. Common Stock. Except as provided in this Article (or in any resolution or resolutions adopted by the board of directors pursuant hereto) the holders of the common stock shall exclusively possess all voting power. Each holder of shares of common stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share held by such holder. There shall be no cumulative voting rights in the election of directors. Each share of common stock shall have the same relative rights as and be identical in all respects with all shares of common stock.

Whenever there shall have been paid, or declared and set aside for payment, to the holders of the outstanding shares of any class of stock having preference over the common stock as to the payment of dividends, the full amount of dividends and/or sinking fund or other retirement payments, if any, to which such holders are respectively entitled in preference to the common stock, then dividends may be paid on the common stock and on any class or series of stock entitled to participate therewith as to dividends, out of any assets legally available for the payment of dividends but only when and as declared by the board of directors.

In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after there shall have been paid to or set aside for the holders of any class having preferences over the common stock in the event of liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the full preferential amounts to which they are respectively entitled, the holders of the common stock, and of any class or series of stock entitled to participate therewith, in whole or in part, as to distribution of assets, shall be entitled after payment or provision for payment of all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, to receive the remaining assets of the Corporation available for distribution, in cash or in kind.

B. Preferred Stock. The board of directors of the Corporation is authorized, subject to limitations prescribed by law and the provisions of this Article, to provide by resolution for the issuance of preferred stock in series, including convertible preferred stock, to establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such series, and to fix the designations, powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of the shares of each such series and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof.

The authority of the board of directors with respect to each series shall include, but not be limited to, determination of the following:

- (a) The number of shares constituting that series and the distinctive designation of that series;
- (b) The dividend rate on the shares of that series, whether dividends shall be cumulative, and, if so, from which date or dates, and the relative rights of priority, if any, of payment of dividends on shares of that series;
- (c) Whether that series shall have voting rights, in addition to the voting rights provided by law, and, if so, the terms of such rights;
- (d) Whether that series shall have conversion privileges, and, if so, the terms and conditions of such conversion, including provision for adjustment of the conversion rate in such events as the board of directors shall determine;
- (e) Whether or not the shares of that series shall be redeemable, and, if so, the terms and conditions of such redemption, including the date or dates after which they shall be redeemable, and the amounts per share payable in case of redemption, which amounts may vary under different conditions and at different redemption dates;
- (f) Whether the series shall have a sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of shares of that series, and, if so, the terms and amounts of such sinking fund;
- (g) The rights of the shares of that series in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the Corporation, and the relative rights of priority, if any, of payment of shares of that series; and
- (h) Any other relative rights, preferences and limitations of that series.

No holder of any of the shares of any class of the Corporation shall be entitled as of right to subscribe for, purchase or otherwise acquire any shares of any class of the Corporation which the Corporation proposes to issue or any rights or options which the Corporation proposes to grant for the purchase of shares of any class of the Corporation or for the purchase of any shares, bonds, securities or obligations of the Corporation which are convertible into or exchangeable for, or which carry any rights, to subscribe for, purchase or otherwise acquire shares of any class of the Corporation; and any and all of such shares, bonds, securities or obligations of the Corporation, whether now or hereafter authorized or created, may be issued, or may be reissued or transferred if the same have been reacquired and have treasury status, and any and all of such rights and options may be granted by the board of directors to such persons, firms, corporations and associations, and for such lawful consideration, and on such terms, as the board of directors in its discretion may determine, without first offering the same, or any thereof, to any said holder.

FIFTH: The Corporation shall be under the direction of a board of directors. The board of directors shall consist of not less than three directors nor more than fifteen directors. The number of directors within this range shall be as stated in the Corporation's by-laws, as may be amended from time to time. The terms, classifications, qualifications and election of the board of directors and the filling of vacancies thereon shall be as provided herein and in the by-laws.

At each annual meeting of stockholders, the successors to the directors shall be elected to hold office until the next succeeding annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Any vacancy occurring in the board of directors, including any vacancy created by reason of an increase in the number of directors, shall be filled for the unexpired term by the concurring vote of a majority of the directors then in office, whether or not a quorum, and any director so chosen shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the director whose departure caused the vacancy and until such director's successor shall have been elected and qualified.

Any director may be removed with or without cause by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the total votes eligible to be cast by stockholders at a duly constituted meeting of stockholders called expressly for that purpose. At least 30 but not more than 60 days prior to such meeting of stockholders, written notice shall be sent to the director or directors whose removal will be considered at such meeting.

SIXTH: The board of directors shall have the power to amend from time to time the by-laws of the Corporation. Such action by the board of directors shall require the affirmative vote of at least a majority of directors then in office at a duly constituted meeting of the board of directors called for such purpose. The stockholders may amend by-laws made by the board of directors. Such action by the stockholders shall require the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the total votes eligible to be cast at a duly constituted meeting of stockholders called for such purpose.

SEVENTH: Except as otherwise permitted by the DGCL, no amendment of any provision of the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation shall be made unless such amendment has been approved both by the board of directors of the Corporation and by the stockholders of the Corporation by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the shares entitled to vote thereon at a duly called annual or special meeting.

EIGHTH: The following provisions are inserted to limit the liability of directors and officers of the Corporation to the full extent of the law allowable and for the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation, and it is expressly provided that they are intended to be in furtherance and not in limitation or exclusion of the powers conferred by law,

(a) No director shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of his or her fiduciary duty as a director, except (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders; (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) for paying a dividend or approving a stock repurchase which was illegal under section 174 of Title 8 of the Delaware Code relating to the DGCL; or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

(b) The Corporation may indemnify each person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Corporation) by reason of the fact that he is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Corporation, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

(c) The Corporation may indemnify each person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the

Corporation, or is or as serving at the request of the Corporation, as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application, that despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other Court shall deem proper.

(d) To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to herein or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.

(e) Any indemnification under paragraphs herein (unless ordered by a Court) shall be made by the Corporation upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent is proper in the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in said paragraphs. Such determination shall be made (1) by the board of directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding, or (2) if such a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, or (3) by the stockholders.

(f) The Corporation may pay expenses incurred by defending a civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding in the manner provided herein upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director, officer, employee or agent to repay such amount if it shall be ultimately determined that he is not entitled to be indemnified by the Corporation as authorized in this Article.

The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided for herein shall, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.

(g) The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided herein or granted pursuant to this provision shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification or advancement of expenses may be entitled under any by-law, agreement, vote of stockholders or of any disinterested directors or otherwise, both as to action in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office.

(h) The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was serving the Corporation in any capacity referred to hereinabove against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in such capacity, or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions herein.

The provisions herein shall be applicable to all claims, actions, suits, or proceedings made or commenced after the adoption hereof, whether arising from acts or omissions to act occurring before or after the adoption hereof.

NINTH: The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.