PIMCO HIGH INCOME FUND Form N-Q December 21, 2018

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act File Number: 811-21311

Registrant Name: PIMCO High Income Fund

Address of Principal Executive Offices: 1633 Broadway

New York, NY 10019

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Date of Fiscal Year End: July 31

Date of Reporting Period: October 31, 2018

Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Schedule of Investments

PIMCO High Income Fund

October 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

(Amounts in thousands*, except number of shares, contracts and units, if any)

	P	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT (000S)		MARKET VALUE (000S)
INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES 127.0% ×				
LOAN PARTICIPATIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS 4.3%				
Alphabet Holding Co., Inc.	Ф	00	ф	0.7
5.802% (LIBOR03M + 3.500%) due 09/26/2024 ~	\$	99	\$	95
Altice France S.A.		400		205
6.280% (LIBOR03M + 4.000%) due 08/14/2026 ~		400		395
Avantor, Inc.		50		50
6.302% (LIBOR03M + 4.000%) due 11/21/2024 ~		50		50
Community Health Systems, Inc.		1.020		1 002
5.563% (LIBOR03M + 3.250%) due 01/27/2021 ~		1,928		1,893
Concordia International Corp.		2.100		2.062
7.781% (LIBOR03M + 5.500%) due 09/06/2024 ~		2,100		2,063
Diamond Resorts International		440		420
6.052% (LIBOR03M + 3.750%) due 09/02/2023 ~		449		438
Dubai World		605		(50
1.750% - 2.000% (LIBOR03M + 2.000%) due 09/30/2022 ~		695		652
Energizer Holdings. Inc.		100		100
TBD% due 05/18/2019		100		100
Envision Healthcare Corp.		700		607
6.052% (LIBOR03M + 3.750%) due 10/10/2025 ~		700		687
Financial & Risk U.S. Holdings, Inc.	ELID	1.000		1 120
TBD% due 10/01/2025	EUR	1,000		1,139
TBD% (LIBOR03M + 3.750%) due 10/01/2025 ~	\$	800		794
Forbes Energy Services LLC		006		00.
9.000% - 14.000% due 04/13/2021		896		905
Forest City Enterprises LP		• • • •		201
TBD% due 10/24/2025		200		201
FrontDoor, Inc.				
4.813% (LIBOR03M + 2.500%) due 08/14/2025 «~		30		30
Frontier Communications Corp.		0.04		0.54
6.060% (LIBOR03M + 3.750%) due 06/15/2024 ~		891		864
Genworth Holdings, Inc.				
6.831% (LIBOR03M + 4.500%) due 03/07/2023 ~		50		51
iHeartCommunications, Inc.				
TBD% due 01/30/2019 ^(e)		17,200		12,509
IRB Holding Corp.				

TBD% due 02/05/2025		1,200	1,200
TBD% (LIBOR03M + 3.250%) due 02/05/2025 ~		100	100
Klockner-Pentaplast of America, Inc.			
4.750% (EUR003M + 4.750%) due 06/30/2022 ~	EUR	100	108
McDermott Technology Americas, Inc.			
7.302% (LIBOR03M + 5.000%) due 05/10/2025 ~	\$	1,455	1,445
Messer Industrie GmbH			
TBD% due 10/01/2025		150	150
MH Sub LLC			
6.030% (LIBOR03M + 3.750%) due 09/13/2024 ~		168	169
Ministry of Finance of Tanzania			
7.825% (LIBOR03M + 5.500%) due 12/10/2019 «~		200	196
Multi Color Corp.			
4.302% (LIBOR03M + 2.000%) due 10/31/2024 ~		24	24
Neiman Marcus Group Ltd.			
5.531% (LIBOR03M + 3.250%) due 10/25/2020 ~		3,723	3,396
Parexel International Corp.			
5.052% (LIBOR03M + 2.750%) due 09/27/2024 ~		99	98
PetSmart, Inc.			
5.280% (LIBOR03M + 3.000%) due 03/11/2022 ~		338	288
Ply Gem Industries, Inc.			
6.175% due 04/12/2025		50	50
Sequa Mezzanine Holdings LLC			
7.389% - 7.408% (LIBOR03M + 5.000%) due 11/28/2021			
«~		326	322
11.520% (LIBOR03M + 9.000%) due 04/28/2022 «~		140	139
Starfruit Finco BV			
3.750% (EUR003M + 3.750%) due 10/01/2025 ~	EUR	300	343
5.770% (LIBOR03M + 3.250%) due 10/01/2025 ~	\$	300	300
Syniverse Holdings, Inc.			
7.280% (LIBOR03M + 5.000%) due 03/09/2023 ~		30	30
Traverse Midstream Partners LLC			
6.600% (LIBOR03M + 4.000%) due 09/27/2024 ~		91	91
Verifone Systems, Inc.			
6.322% (LIBOR03M + 4.000%) due 08/20/2025 ~		100	100
Verscend Holding Corp.			
6.802% (LIBOR03M + 4.500%) due 08/27/2025 ~		200	202
West Corp.			
6.302% - 6.527% (LIBOR03M + 4.000%) due 10/10/2024 ~		58	58

Westmoreland Coal Co. TBD% due 12/16/2020 ^«(e) 1,455 582 4.076% - 10.562% (LIBOR03M + 8.250%) due 05/21/2019 ~ 2,620 2,672 Total Loan Participations and Assignments 34,929 (Cost \$39,378) CORPORATE BONDS & NOTES 63.0% BANKING & FINANCE 28.6% AGFC Capital Trust 4.186% (US0003M + 1.750%) due 01/15/2067 ~ 27,410 14,390 Ally Financial, Inc. 8.000% due 11/01/2031 6 7 8.000% due 11/01/2031 (n) 2,765 3,332 Ambac LSNI LLC 7.396% due 02/12/2023 (n) 438 444 Ardonagh Midco PLC 8.375% due 07/15/2023 (n) GBP 2,700 3,242 8.375% due 07/15/2023 11,935 14,331 Athene Holding Ltd. 4.125% due 01/12/2028 \$ 76 70 Atlantic Marine Corps Communities LLC
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Atlantic Marine Corps Communities LLC
5.383% due 02/15/2048 (n) 4,495 4,041
Avolon Holdings Funding Ltd.
5.500% due 01/15/2023 248 247
AXA Equitable Holdings, Inc.
4.350% due 04/20/2028 180 173
5.000% due 04/20/2048 104 93
Banco Espirito Santo S.A.
4.000% due 01/21/2019 ^(e) EUR 5,800 2,004
Banco Santander S.A.
6.250% due 09/11/2021 (j)(k)(n) 500 582
Barclays PLC
6.500% due 09/15/2019 (j)(k)(n) 2,600 3,037
7.750% due 09/15/2023 (j)(k) \$ 1,600 1,600
7.875% due 09/15/2022 (j)(k) GBP 7,210 9,638
Brighthouse Holdings LLC
6.500% due 07/27/2037 Ø(j) \$ 70 67
Brookfield Finance, Inc.
3.900% due 01/25/2028 128 120
4.700% due 09/20/2047 290 267
Cantor Fitzgerald LP
6.500% due 06/17/2022 (n) 13,100 13,784
CBL & Associates LP
5.950% due 12/15/2026 (n) 3,358 2,805
Co-operative Group Holdings Ltd.
7.500% due 07/08/2026 Ø GBP 2,400 3,581
Cooperatieve Rabobank UA

5.500% due 06/29/2020 (j)(k)	EUR	200	238
Credit Agricole S.A.			
7.875% due $01/23/2024$ (j)(k)(n)	\$	250	259
Credit Suisse Group AG			
7.250% due $09/12/2025$ (j)(k)		200	198
7.500% due $07/17/2023$ (j)(k)		400	408
Doctors Co.			
6.500% due 10/15/2023 (n)		10,000	10,648
Emerald Bay S.A.			
0.000% due 10/08/2020 (h)	EUR	2,738	2,942
Equinix, Inc.			
2.875% due 03/15/2024		200	230
2.875% due 10/01/2025		100	111
2.875% due 02/01/2026		200	222
Flagstar Bancorp, Inc.			
6.125% due 07/15/2021 (n)	\$	3,000	3,121
Fortress Transportation & Infrastructure Investors LLC			
6.500% due 10/01/2025		370	365
6.750% due 03/15/2022 (n)		478	491
Freedom Mortgage Corp.			
8.250% due 04/15/2025		88	82
GLP Capital LP			
5.250% due 06/01/2025		20	20
Growthpoint Properties International Pty. Ltd.			
5.872% due 05/02/2023		200	199
GSPA Monetization Trust			
6.422% due 10/09/2029		5,833	6,567
Hampton Roads PPV LLC			
6.621% due 06/15/2053		20,069	19,721
HSBC Bank PLC			
6.330% due 05/18/2023 (c)		8,300	8,305
HSBC Holdings PLC			
5.875% due 09/28/2026 (j)(k)	GBP	600	763
6.000% due 09/29/2023 (j)(k)	EUR	2,600	3,221
6.500% due 03/23/2028 (j)(k)	\$	700	658
Hunt Cos., Inc.			
6.250% due 02/15/2026		36	33

Intrepid Aviation Group Holdings LLC			
8.500% due 08/15/2021		6,510	6,559
iStar, Inc.		0,310	0,339
4.625% due 09/15/2020		20	20
5.250% due 09/15/2020		70	68
		70	08
Jefferies Finance LLC		0.405	0 227
7.250% due 08/15/2024 (n)		8,485	8,337
7.375% due 04/01/2020 (n)		1,200	1,218
Kennedy-Wilson, Inc.		06	02
5.875% due 04/01/2024		96	93
Lloyds Bank PLC		0.400	10 117
12.000% due 12/16/2024 (j)(n)		8,400	10,117
Lloyds Banking Group PLC	CDD	200	260
7.000% due 06/27/2019 (j)(k)	GBP	200	260
7.500% due 09/27/2025 (j)(k)	\$	500	504
7.875% due 06/27/2029 (j)(k)	GBP	4,110	5,872
LoanCore Capital Markets LLC			
6.875% due 06/01/2020 (n)	\$	7,000	7,074
Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Co.			
5.100% due 04/26/2048		400	397
MetLife, Inc.			
5.875% due 03/15/2028 (j)		12	12
Midwest Family Housing LLC			
6.631% due 01/01/2051		4,910	4,305
Nationstar Mortgage LLC			
6.500% due 07/01/2021		1,030	1,032
Nationwide Building Society			
10.250% ~(j)	GBP	94	17,740
Navient Corp.			
5.625% due 08/01/2033 (n)	\$	8,064	6,598
6.500% due 06/15/2022		114	116
Oppenheimer Holdings, Inc.			
6.750% due 07/01/2022		68	69
Provident Funding Associates LP			
6.375% due 06/15/2025		37	37
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC			
7.500% due $08/10/2020$ (j)(k)(n)		5,840	5,951
8.625% due 08/15/2021 (j)(k)		3,700	3,899
Santander UK Group Holdings PLC			
7.375% due 06/24/2022 (j)(k)	GBP	6,363	8,471
Societe Generale S.A.			
6.750% due 04/06/2028 (j)(k)	\$	200	177
7.375% due 10/04/2023 (j)(k)		900	876
TP ICAP PLC			
5.250% due 01/26/2024	GBP	4,190	5,141
Unigel Luxembourg S.A.			
10.500% due 01/22/2024	\$	810	834
Unique Pub Finance Co. PLC			
5.659% due 06/30/2027	GBP	268	378
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WeWork Cos., Inc.

7.875% due 05/01/2025	\$	104	96
			232,908
INDUSTRIALS 25.8%			
Air Canada Pass-Through Trust			
3.700% due 07/15/2027		34	33
Altice Financing S.A.			
6.625% due 02/15/2023 (n)		5,600	5,557
Altice France S.A.			
5.875% due 02/01/2027	EUR	3,100	3,626
Altice Luxembourg S.A.			
7.250% due 05/15/2022		400	445
Associated Materials LLC			
9.000% due 01/01/2024	\$	1,102	1,114
Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.			
8.750% due 07/15/2026 (n)		8,400	8,484
Bausch Health Cos., Inc.			
7.000% due 03/15/2024		235	247
Caesars Resort Collection LLC			
5.250% due 10/15/2025		12	11
Charter Communications Operating LLC			
4.200% due 03/15/2028		198	186
Chesapeake Energy Corp.			
5.686% (US0003M + 3.250%) due 04/15/2019 ~		120	121
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings, Inc.			
6.500% due 11/15/2022		910	928
7.625% due 03/15/2020		5,000	5,012
Cleveland-Cliffs, Inc.			
4.875% due 01/15/2024		48	46
Community Health Systems, Inc.			
5.125% due 08/01/2021 (n)		5,060	4,820
6.250% due 03/31/2023 (n)		12,014	11,094
8.625% due 01/15/2024		626	635
CSN Islands Corp.			
6.875% due 09/21/2019 (n)		300	300

CSN Resources S.A.			
6.500% due 07/21/2020		1,896	1,853
Diamond Resorts International, Inc.		-,07	_,
7.750% due 09/01/2023		1,025	1,054
DriveTime Automotive Group, Inc.		, , ,	, , , ,
8.000% due 06/01/2021 (n)		11,130	11,464
EI Group PLC		,	, -
6.000% due 10/06/2023	GBP	500	693
6.875% due 05/09/2025		6,600	9,312
Envision Healthcare Corp.			
8.750% due 10/15/2026	\$	6,900	6,710
Exela Intermediate LLC			
10.000% due 07/15/2023 (n)		172	180
Ferroglobe PLC			
9.375% due 03/01/2022 (n)		2,250	2,360
First Quantum Minerals Ltd.			
6.500% due 03/01/2024		2,240	1,963
6.875% due 03/01/2026		2,448	2,124
7.000% due 02/15/2021		838	821
Ford Motor Co.			
7.700% due 05/15/2097 (n)		15,515	16,483
Fresh Market, Inc.			
9.750% due 05/01/2023 (n)		9,300	6,835
Frontdoor, Inc.			
6.750% due 08/15/2026		98	100
Frontier Finance PLC			
8.000% due 03/23/2022	GBP	6,600	8,481
Full House Resorts, Inc.			
8.575% due 01/31/2024 «	\$	497	470
General Electric Co.			
5.000% due 01/21/2021 (j)		390	360
General Shopping Finance Ltd.			
10.000% due 12/03/2018 (j)		5,300	5,141
General Shopping Investments Ltd.			
12.000% due 03/20/2022 ^(e)(j)		2,500	1,539
HCA, Inc.			
7.500% due 11/15/2095		3,462	3,453
iHeartCommunications, Inc.			
9.000% due 03/01/2021 ^(e)		2,162	1,573
9.000% due 09/15/2022 ^(e)		6,800	4,930
Intelsat Connect Finance S.A.			
9.500% due 02/15/2023		23	22
Intelsat Jackson Holdings S.A.			• • • •
5.500% due 08/01/2023		2,300	2,064
7.500% due 04/01/2021		51	52
8.000% due 02/15/2024		17	18
8.500% due 10/15/2024		333	328
9.750% due 07/15/2025		175	184
Intelsat Luxembourg S.A.			

7.750% due 06/01/2021		5,617	5,336
8.125% due 06/01/2023 (n)		15,504	13,103
International Game Technology PLC		15,504	13,103
6.250% due 01/15/2027		853	844
Mallinckrodt International Finance S.A.		033	0-1-1
5.500% due 04/15/2025		108	87
Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc.		100	07
6.500% due 09/15/2026		138	140
Metinvest BV		100	1.0
7.750% due 04/23/2023		200	193
8.500% due 04/23/2026		1,400	1,338
Netflix, Inc.		1,.00	1,000
4.625% due 05/15/2029	EUR	300	341
New Albertson s LP			
6.570% due 02/23/2028	\$	4,021	2,835
Odebrecht Oil & Gas Finance Ltd.		, -	,
0.000% due 12/03/2018 (h)(j)		3,371	74
Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, Inc.		ĺ	
6.625% due 05/15/2022		489	469
Pacific Drilling First Lien Escrow Issuer Ltd.			
8.375% due 10/01/2023		394	400
Park Aerospace Holdings Ltd.			
3.625% due 03/15/2021		118	114
4.500% due 03/15/2023		234	223
5.250% due 08/15/2022		19	19
5.500% due 02/15/2024		54	54
Pelabuhan Indonesia Persero PT			
4.500% due 05/02/2023		200	195
Petroleos Mexicanos			
6.500% due 03/13/2027		270	262
6.750% due 09/21/2047		70	60
PetSmart, Inc.			
5.875% due 06/01/2025		161	127
Platin GmbH			
6.875% due 06/15/2023	EUR	600	678
Prime Security Services Borrower LLC			
9.250% due 05/15/2023	\$	1,840	1,949

QVC, Inc.			
5.950% due 03/15/2043 (n)		5,000	4,475
Radiate Holdco LLC		,	,
6.875% due 02/15/2023		100	96
Refinitiv U.S. Holdings, Inc.			
4.500% due 05/15/2026	EUR	300	341
6.250% due 05/15/2026	\$	220	219
6.875% due 11/15/2026	EUR	100	113
8.250% due 11/15/2026	\$	100	97
Rockpoint Gas Storage Canada Ltd.			
7.000% due 03/31/2023		12	12
Russian Railways via RZD Capital PLC			
7.487% due 03/25/2031	GBP	13,100	19,707
Safeway, Inc.		·	
7.250% due 02/01/2031	\$	5,348	5,308
Sands China Ltd.		·	
4.600% due 08/08/2023		200	198
5.125% due 08/08/2025		400	393
5.400% due 08/08/2028		400	383
Shelf Drilling Holdings Ltd.			
8.250% due 02/15/2025		51	51
SoftBank Group Corp.			
4.000% due 04/20/2023	EUR	5,500	6,480
Starfruit Finco BV		·	
6.500% due 10/01/2026		100	111
Sunoco LP			
4.875% due 01/15/2023	\$	94	91
Syngenta Finance NV			
5.182% due 04/24/2028		200	190
T-Mobile USA, Inc.			
4.750% due 02/01/2028		29	27
Telenet Finance Luxembourg Notes SARL			
5.500% due 03/01/2028		200	186
Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands BV			
3.250% due 04/15/2022	EUR	500	585
Transocean Pontus Ltd.			
6.125% due 08/01/2025	\$	214	213
Triumph Group, Inc.			
4.875% due 04/01/2021		184	174
5.250% due 06/01/2022		36	33
United Group BV			
4.375% due 07/01/2022	EUR	100	117
4.875% due 07/01/2024		100	117
Univision Communications, Inc.			
5.125% due 05/15/2023	\$	231	218
5.125% due 02/15/2025		693	635
Verscend Escrow Corp.			
9.750% due 08/15/2026		1,706	1,715
ViaSat, Inc.			

5.625% due 09/15/2025		136	127
VOC Escrow Ltd.			
5.000% due 02/15/2028		79	75
WellCare Health Plans, Inc.			
5.375% due 08/15/2026		115	115
Westmoreland Coal Co.			
8.750% due 01/01/2022 ^(e)		10,290	4,065
Wind Tre SpA			
2.625% due 01/20/2023	EUR	200	211
2.750% due 01/20/2024		200	210
3.125% due 01/20/2025		200	207
5.000% due 01/20/2026	\$	200	171
Wynn Macau Ltd.			
5.500% due 10/01/2027		200	181

209,714

UTILITIES 8.6%		
AT&T, Inc.		
4.900% due 08/15/2037 (n)	528	486
5.450% due 03/01/2047	80	76
CenturyLink, Inc.		
7.200% due 12/01/2025	1,122	1,116
DTEK Finance PLC (10.750% Cash or 10.750% PIK)		
10.750% due 12/31/2024 (d)	5,927	6,081
Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.		
7.375% due 05/01/2030	15,200	15,808
Odebrecht Drilling Norbe Ltd.		
6.350% due 12/01/2021	1,440	1,422
Odebrecht Drilling Norbe Ltd. (6.350% Cash or 7.350%		
PIK)		
7.350% due 12/01/2026 (d)	2,766	1,722
Odebrecht Offshore Drilling Finance Ltd.		
6.720% due 12/01/2022	4,950	4,752
Odebrecht Offshore Drilling Finance Ltd. (6.720% Cash or		
7.720% PIK)		
7.720% due 12/01/2026 (d)	12,429	3,853
Petrobras Global Finance BV		
5.999% due 01/27/2028	195	186

6.125% due 01/17/2022		110	114
6.250% due 12/14/2026	GBP	8,600	11,459
6.625% due 01/16/2034		200	259
6.850% due 06/05/2115	\$	160	143
7.375% due 01/17/2027		2,511	2,611
8.750% due 05/23/2026		173	194
Rio Oil Finance Trust			
8.200% due 04/06/2028		260	271
9.250% due 07/06/2024		18,405	19,716
			70,269
Total Corporate Bonds & Notes			512,891
(Cost \$512,283)			
CONVERTIBLE BONDS & NOTES 0.6%			
INDUSTRIALS 0.6%			
DISH Network Corp.			
3.375% due 08/15/2026		5,100	4,557
Total Convertible Bonds & Notes			4,557
(Cost \$5,100)			
MUNICIPAL BONDS & NOTES 7.6%			
CALIFORNIA 0.5%			
Anaheim Redevelopment Agency, California Tax			
Allocation Bonds, (AGM Insured), Series 2007			
6.506% due 02/01/2031		2,000	2,253
Sacramento County, California Revenue Bonds, Series 2013			
7.250% due 08/01/2025		1,500	1,745
			3,998
DICTRICT OF COLUMN 1 1 20			
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1.3% District of Columbia Parama Panda Sories 2011			
District of Columbia Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 7.625% due 10/01/2035		9,740	10,475
ILLINOIS 2.6%			
Chicago, Illinois General Obligation Bonds, (BABs), Series 2010			
6.257% due 01/01/2040		11,000	10,498
7.517% due 01/01/2040		9,805	10,590
Illinois State General Obligation Bonds, (BABs), Series 2010		2,003	10,570
6.725% due 04/01/2035		45	47
7.350% due 04/01/2035		30	33
1.330% due 01/01/2033		50	33

Illinois State General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003		
5.100% due 06/01/2033	365	345
		21,513
NEW YORK 0.2%		
Erie Tobacco Asset Securitization Corp., New York		
Revenue Bonds, Series 2005	1 405	1 470
6.000% due 06/01/2028	1,485	1,472
TEXAS 1.2%		
El Paso Downtown Development Corp., Texas Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2013		
7.250% due 08/15/2043	7,535	9,801
VIRGINIA 0.2%		
Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., Virginia Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2007		
6.706% due 06/01/2046	1,355	1,325
WEST VIRGINIA 1.6%		
Tobacco Settlement Finance Authority, West Virginia		
Revenue Bonds, Series 2007		
0.000% due 06/01/2047 (h)	66,200	3,806
7.467% due 06/01/2047	9,705	9,535
	·	·
		13,341
Total Municipal Bonds & Notes		61,925
(O+ \$57,100)		
(Cost \$57,100)		
U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES 3.1%		
Fannie Mae		
3.500% due 09/25/2027 (a)	385	40
5.437% due 10/25/2041	341	319
6.874% due 05/25/2043	422	395
10.000% due 01/25/2034	218	272
Freddie Mac		
0.000% due 02/25/2046 (b)(h)	9,467	8,047
0.100% due 02/25/2046 (a)	118,130	196
3.821% due 07/15/2035 (a)	1,073	128
3.921% due 02/15/2042 (a)	1,993	235
4.000% due 08/15/2020 (a)	157	4
4.500% due 10/15/2037 (a)	596	41
4.861% due 08/15/2036 (a)	630	109

5.000% due 06/15/2033 (a)	1,409	284
6.139% due 11/25/2055 «~	14,058	8,444
8.441% due 05/15/2033	51	58
11.481% due 10/25/2027	4,327	5,750
Ginnie Mae		
3.500% due 06/20/2042 - 03/20/2043 (a)	2,719	465
3.970% due 02/20/2042 (a)	7,349	571
4.500% due 07/20/2042 (a)	229	37
5.000% due 09/20/2042 (a)	397	76
Total U.S. Government Agencies		25,471
(Cost \$25,330)		
NON-AGENCY		
MORTGAGE-BACKED		
SECURITIES 19.4%		
Adjustable Rate Mortgage Trust		
2.621% due 05/25/2036	4,133	2,450
Banc of America Alternative Loan		
Trust		
3.319% due 06/25/2046 ^ (a)	5,945	447
Banc of America Funding Trust		
6.000% due 07/25/2037 ^	514	485
6.250% due 10/26/2036	8,406	6,726
Banc of America Mortgage Trust		4.0
3.685% due 02/25/2036 ^~	20	19
BCAP LLC Trust	1.555	1.640
4.926% due 03/26/2037 Ø	1,577	1,642
6.000% due 05/26/2037 ~	6,752	4,734
6.002% due 10/26/2036 ~	6,460	6,418
6.456% due 09/26/2036 ~	6,418	6,273
19.912% due 06/26/2036 ~	2,228	1,166
Bear Stearns Adjustable Rate		
Mortgage Trust	60	60
3.732% due 11/25/2034 ~	68	68
Bellemeade Re Ltd.	1.250	1 200
8.516% due 07/25/2025	1,250	1,280
CD Commercial Mortgage Trust	4.60	2.45
5.398% due 12/11/2049 ~	469	345
CD Mortgage Trust	2 174	1.624
5.688% due 10/15/2048	3,174	1,634
Chase Mortgage Finance Trust	20	10
3.635% due 12/25/2035 ^~	20	19
	67 501	
	67.5%	

Proprietary product development 20.0% Partial Achievement (50.0%) 10.0%

Combined Achievement:

77.5%

The overall achievement percentage for each executive was determined by adding the products of the assigned weighting and achievement percentage for each component. Using this methodology, the Committee approved the following overall achievement percentages:

	Corporate Financial Objectives			ness Unit al Objectives	Strategi		
	Weight	Achievement	Weight	Achievement	Weight	Achievement	Overall Achievemen
Gary R. Maharaj	60.0%	138.6%	n/a	n/a	40.0%	77.5%	114.2%
Timothy J. Arens	60.0%	138.6%	n/a	n/a	40.0%	77.5%	114.2%
Thomas A. Greaney	30.0%	138.6%	30.0%	142.7%	40.0%	77.5%	115.4%
Andrew D. C. LaFrence (1)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Bryan K. Phillips	60.0%	138.6%	n/a	n/a	40.0%	77.5%	114.2%
Gregg S. Sutton	60.0%	138.6%	n/a	n/a	40.0%	77.5%	114.2%

(1) Mr. LaFrence s employment with the Company ended on May 25, 2018. As a result, he was not eligible to receive a payout under the fiscal 2018 annual incentive plan.

In connection with its determination regarding the overall achievement percentage, the Committee considered the impact of the ongoing success of the Company's strategic initiatives and the many significant accomplishments in fiscal 2018, including the (a) meaningful progress enrolling patients in the TRANSCEND clinical trial, (b) signing of the Abbott Agreement and ongoing support of the collaboration activities under that agreement, and (c) development and regulatory approval of new proprietary products in furtherance of the Company's whole-product solutions strategy. Based on these factors, and in recognition of their potential to create significant shareholder value, the Committee determined that the overall achievement percentages for the corporate and business unit components of the plan should be 150%, which was the maximum possible payout under the plan. The Committee believes that the exercise of discretion based on a qualitative assessment of non-financial, non-formulaic factors, such as those noted above, are consistent with our Company's culture. The Committee also believes, however, that the exercise of this type of discretion would be limited to unique or extraordinary circumstances.

The actual incentive payouts were determined by multiplying the named executive officer s eligible earnings by his target incentive opportunity, and then by the overall achievement percentage. The following table summarizes the compensation earned by our NEOs under the plan:

Executive	Target Payout (%)	Overall Achievement (%)	Actual Payout (%)	Actual Payout (\$)(1)
Gary R. Maharaj	75%	150.0%	112.5%	619,566
Timothy J. Arens	40%	150.0%	60.0%	155,760

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Thomas A. Greaney	45%	150.0%	67.5%	225,238
Andrew D. C. LaFrence (2)	45%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Bryan K. Phillips	45%	150.0%	67.5%	233,516
Gregg S. Sutton	45%	150.0%	67.5%	194,788

⁽¹⁾ Amounts reflect amounts earned by each executive under the plan (i.e., at 114.2% and 115.4% payouts, as applicable and amounts paid on a discretionary basis based on the committee s determination that the overall achievement percentage for the corporate and business unit objectives under the plan should be 150%.

⁽²⁾ Mr. LaFrence s employment with the Company ended on May 25, 2018. As a result, he was not eligible to receive a payout under the fiscal 2018 annual incentive plan.

Long-Term Incentive Compensation

Long-term incentive (<u>LTI</u>) compensation provides our executive officers with financial rewards based on the long-term performance of the Company. The Committee believes that this form of compensation promotes long-term retention and aligns the interests of our executive officers with those of our shareholders through stock ownership. Historically, our LTI compensation has consisted of the following types of equity awards:

<u>Stock Options</u>. Stock options provide value only when the price of our Company s stock appreciates over the grant price. The number of shares subject to the stock option is determined by dividing the target value of the award by the grant date fair value of the award estimated using the Black-Scholes valuation model. All stock option grants have an exercise price that is equal to the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant, a seven-year term, and vest in equal increments of 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

<u>Restricted Shares</u>. Restricted shares are shares that are subject to forfeiture if certain time-based restrictions are not met. Restricted shares granted to our NEOs vest ratably over a three-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The number of shares subject to the award is determined by dividing the target value by the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant.

<u>Performance Shares</u>. Performance shares are shares whose vesting is contingent upon the achievement of specified performance objectives over a three-year period. The target number of shares is determined by dividing the target value by the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant. The number of shares that will actually vest, if any, ranges between 20% (at threshold) and 200% (at maximum) of the target number of shares based on the Company s actual performance against the performance objectives.

The Committee selects the type and mix of equity awards to be provided to our executive officers based on its assessment of the advantages provided by each award. The Committee also considers the forms and amounts of outstanding equity awards held by our NEOs, the financial accounting and tax treatment on our company, and the tax treatment to our NEOs, in determining the form and amount of equity compensation to award.

Special, one-time awards are used in limited circumstances, including, as may be necessary to attract, retain and motivate experienced and well-qualified executive officers. Following Mr. LaFrence s resignation, in July 2018, the Committee approved special, one-time equity awards to Mr. Arens in connection with his appointment as our interim Vice President of Finance, and Chief Financial Officer. The awards granted to Mr. Arens had a grant fair value of \$50,000 (split equally between stock options and restricted shares) and will vest in two equal annual increments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. No other special, one-time grants were made in fiscal 2018 to our NEOs.

Using the same analytical approach described for annual base salary and short-term incentives, the Independent Consultant identifies a competitive market range for long-term incentive target pay for the CEO and each NEO. Target LTI is expressed as a dollar value from which the underlying shares subject to the LTI award are determined based on the grant date fair value (i.e., Black-Scholes, in the case of stock options, and market price at the close of business on the grant date, in the case of restricted shares). While the Committee considered the data from the Peer Group as a market check when setting the target long-term incentive opportunity, it did not base its decision solely on such data. The target long-term incentive opportunity for our executives (other than the CEO) was the same reflecting

our desire to encourage collaboration among our executive team and our view that each executive can contribute (directly or indirectly) to the achievement of our long-term objectives. In recognition of the increased scope of their responsibilities, the target long-term incentive opportunity for our executives that report directly to our CEO was slightly higher than the opportunity for our other executive officers.

Fiscal 2018 LTI Compensation. In fiscal 2018, the long-term incentive compensation for our executive officers was provided in the form of stock options (constituting 60% of the target value) and restricted shares (constituting 40% of the target value). The Committee determined that this mix of long-term incentives were appropriate because the full implementation of our whole-product solutions strategy is expected to occur over a number of years, and further because of the challenges associated with setting appropriate multi-year objectives during the early-stages of the execution of that strategy. The Committee also believes that these awards align management s interests with the long-term nature of the strategic decisions that are being made in connection with our whole-product solutions strategy, and will, as a result, enhance our ability to retain our executive management team as we execute our business strategy. In the future, the Committee will continue to evaluate and select the form and mix of long-term incentive compensation (which may include stock options, restricted shares, performance shares, or other long-term incentives) provided to our executive officers that it believes best accomplishes the goals discussed above.

The table below shows the target values of each LTI component provided to our NEOs:

Executive	Stock Options (\$)(1)	Restricted Shares (\$)(2)	Total Target LTI (\$)
Gary R. Maharaj	645,000	430,000	1,075,000
Timothy J. Arens (3)	195,000	130,000	325,000
Thomas A. Greaney	225,000	150,000	375,000
Andrew D. C. LaFrence	225,000	150,000	375,000
Bryan K. Phillips	225,000	150,000	375,000
Gregg S. Sutton	225,000	150,000	375,000

⁽¹⁾ Represents the grant date fair value of stock options (as estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model) awarded to each executive officer.

⁽²⁾ Represents the grant date fair value of the restricted shares awarded to each executive officer.

(3) Prior to his appointment as our interim Vice President of Finance, and Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Arens did not report directly to our CEO. The value shown for Mr. Arens does not include the value of the special, one-time equity awards granted to Mr. Arens in connection with his appointment as our interim Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer.

<u>Fiscal Year 2016 __2018 Performance Share Program Results</u>. At its November 2018 meeting, the Committee reviewed and approved the results for the performance share program that began in fiscal 2016 and was completed at the end of fiscal 2018 (the <u>__2016 PS</u>P__). The performance objectives for this performance share program were specified as cumulative revenue and adjusted EBITDA over the three-year performance period. Our stock price increased 242.7% from a price of \$21.85 per share at the beginning of fiscal 2016 to a price of \$74.65 per share at the end of fiscal 2018. The table below shows the 2016 PSP performance objectives, results and calculated payout.

Performance Objective We		reshold (\$1) % Pay(1 00)	_	Maximum (\$) (200% Payout)	Actual Performance (\$) (1)	Weighted Achievement (% of Target)
Revenue	50.0%	178.6	198.4	232.6	223.9	174.5%
EBITDA	50.0%	53.0	59.5	74.3	58.1	82.1%
			C	ombined Achievemen	t:	128.3%

(1) Reflects our cumulative financial results for the three-year period ended September 30, 2018. The EBITDA result was \$24.5 million in fiscal 2016, \$17.4 million in fiscal 2017, and \$16.2 million in fiscal 2018. Information disclosing how to calculate EBITDA, a non-GAAP financial measure, from the Company s audited consolidated financial statements for fiscal 2018 can be found below, including an adjustment to our fiscal 2018 EBITDA result. Our proxy statements related to the Company s last two annual meetings of shareholders contains information on how to calculate the adjusted EBITDA results for fiscal 2016 and fiscal 2017. The adjusted revenue result was \$69.4 million in fiscal 2016, \$73.1 million in fiscal 2017, and \$81.3 million in fiscal 2018. Where applicable, the cumulative financial results reflect the adjustments approved by the Committee for purposes of determining performance under our incentive programs, including the adjustments to our fiscal 2018 results (discussed below under Adjustment for Significant Events).

Adjustments for Significant Events

The Company s performance-based compensation plans require that when special events (such as, significant one-time revenue events, charges for expenses, acquisitions, divestitures, capital gains, or other adjustments) significantly impact operating results, this impact will be reviewed and evaluated by the Committee when determining the level of achievement of the corporate performance objectives. Committee review is required if the impact represents an

amount that is five percent or greater of the Company s prior year results for the corporate performance objectives. This provision benefits shareholders by allowing management to make decisions of material strategic importance without undue concern for impact on compensation. These adjustments can have both a positive and negative impact on award payouts.

In accordance with these principles, for fiscal 2018, the Committee approved several adjustments to the Company s results for purposes of determining performance under short- and long-term incentive programs. The following table provides detail on how to calculate certain non-GAAP amounts used in our incentive plans, and provides information on certain adjustments made in fiscal 2018 and provides a brief description of each adjustment:

Fiscal Year 2018 Adjustments to Financial Results

Performance under Incentive Programs

	Revenue
GAAP Revenue (1)	\$81.3
Adjustments:	
None	
Adjusted Revenue:	\$81.3
	EBITDA
EBITDA (2)	\$ (4.7)

Adjustments:

Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets and associated tax impact.	2.5
Accretion expense (gain) related to contingent consideration liabilities.	0.7
Litigation-related adjustment.	(0.9)
Net impact of \$1.0 million of customer royalty over/under payments.	1.0
Acquisition transaction and other costs of \$7.9 million.	7.9
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 6.4
(1) GAAP revenue, as reported.	(all amounts are in millions)

- (2) Reflects the Company s reported operating loss of \$8.8 million adjusted to include a total of \$3.9 million in depreciation and non-acquisition related amortization expense recognized during fiscal 2018.
- (3) The data in the above chart has been intentionally rounded and, therefore, may not sum. The fiscal 2018 EBITDA result used for the 2016 PSP was \$16.2 million, which includes the adjustments noted above as well as a \$9.8 million adjustment associated with *SurVeil* DCB clinical trial expense. The Committee determined that these adjustments were appropriate in light of the significant increases in investments to support the Company s whole-product solutions strategy, including the Company s decision in fiscal 2017 to fund the TRANSCEND clinical trial.

Clawback Policy

Section 954 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Act) directs the SEC to issue rules to require national securities exchanges and national securities associations to list only those companies that implement a policy requiring the mandatory recoupment of incentive compensation paid to current and former executive officers for the three-year period preceding a restatement of a listed company s financial statements that would not have been paid under the restated financial statements. The SEC has not yet issued final rules to implement this aspect of the Act. Notwithstanding this fact, in December 2015, based upon the recommendation of the Committee, the Board approved a clawback policy regarding the recovery of incentive compensation from our executive officers (including our NEOs) in certain circumstances, Under the policy, the Company will require reimbursement or forfeiture of all or a portion of any incentive-based compensation (including cash- or equity-based compensation) awarded to an executive officer of the Company where the Committee has determined that all of the following factors are present: (a) the Company is required to prepare an accounting restatement to correct an error that is material to previously issued financial statements, (b) the incentive-based compensation was granted, vested or earned based wholly or in part on the achievement of certain financial reporting measures that were affected by the restatement and such grant, vesting or earning occurred during the three completed fiscal years immediately preceding the date on which the Company is required to prepare the restatement, (c) the amount of incentive-based compensation granted to, vested in or earned by the executive officer was greater

than the amount that otherwise would have been granted to, vested in or earned by the executive officer if determined based upon the restated financial results, and (d) fraud or intentional misconduct on the part of one or more current or former executive officers was a significant contributing factor to the restatement. In determining whether, in its discretion, there are appropriate circumstances to require such reimbursement, cancellation or recovery, the Committee can consider relevant facts and circumstances, including without limitation, the degree to which any particular executive officer was involved in the fraud or misconduct that contributed to the financial restatement, the extent to which any particular executive officer acted in the normal course of the executive officer s duties and in good faith. Once final regulations are adopted by the SEC, the Committee intends to revise the clawback policy as necessary to comply with the regulations.

Change of Control Agreements

Compensation in a change of control situation is designed: (1) to protect the compensation already earned by executives and to ensure that they will be treated fairly in the event of a change of control; and (2) to help ensure the retention and dedicated attention of key executives critical to the ongoing operation of the Company. We believe shareholders will be best served if the interests of our executive officers are aligned with those of our shareholders. Consistent with these principles, we have provided each of our executive officers with change-of-control benefits so that our executive officers can focus on our business without the distraction of searching for new employment. None of the agreements providing these benefits require the Company to make excise tax gross-up payments upon a change of control. Moreover, the Committee has determined that it does not intend to enter into any agreements or arrangements that will require the Company to make excise tax gross-up payments to any person.

The Company has entered agreements with our NEOs providing each of them with certain benefits payable if the Company undergoes a change of control (as defined in the agreements). The term of these agreements extends until the twelve-month anniversary of the date on which a change of control occurs. Each agreement will automatically terminate and the executive will not be entitled to any of the compensation and benefits described in the agreement if, prior to a change of control occurring, the executive s employment with the Company terminates for any reason or no reason, or if the executive no longer serves as an executive officer of the Company. No benefits are payable to an executive officer under the agreement unless both a change of control occurs, and the executive s employment is terminated by the Company within 12 months after a change of control without cause, or by the executive for good reason. Absent a change of control, the agreements do not require the Company to retain the executives or to pay them any specified level of compensation or benefits. Our change of control agreements are discussed in more detail in the Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control section of Executive Compensation.

Other Compensation

We provide our executive officers with the same benefits as our other full-time employees, including medical and insurance benefits and a 401(k) retirement plan.

Committee Consideration of the Company s 2018 Shareholder Vote on Executive Compensation

When setting compensation, and in determining compensation policies, the Committee took into account the results of the shareholder advisory vote on executive compensation that took place in February 2018. In those votes, which were advisory and not binding, approximately 96% of our shareholders voting on this matter approved the compensation of our NEOs as disclosed in the proxy statement for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Committee believes that our executive compensation program has been tailored to our company s business strategies, aligns pay with performance and reflects many of the best practices regarding executive compensation. The Committee will continue to consider shareholder sentiments about our core principles and objectives when determining executive compensation.

ORGANIZATION AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Organization and Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis required by Item 402(b) of Regulation S-K for the year ended September 30, 2018 with management. Based on the foregoing reviews and discussions, the Committee recommended to the Board, and the Board has approved, that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in the proxy statement for the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on February 13, 2019.

Members of the Organization and

Compensation Committee:

David R. Dantzker, M.D., Chair

José H. Bedoya

Lisa W. Heine

Ronald B. Kalich

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AND OTHER INFORMATION

Summary Compensation Table

The following table shows the compensation awarded to, earned by or paid to our NEOs during the last three fiscal years. You should refer to Compensation Discussion and Analysis above to understand the elements used in setting the compensation for our NEOs.

				Stock	In	Non-Equity centive Pla ompensa G o	All Other	on
	Fiscal	Salary	Bonus	Awards	Awards		(\$)(6)	Total
Name and Principal Position	Year	(\$)(1)	(\$)(2)	(\$)(3)(4)	(\$)(3)	(\$)(5)		Compensatio
Gary R. Maharaj	2018	550,725	148,696	430,000	645,000	619,566	8,250	2,253,541
President and Chief Executive	2017	525,675		510,000	340,000	342,530	4,363	1,722,568
Officer	2016	481,000		375,000	375,000	432,900	4,879	1,668,779
Timothy J. Arens (7)	2018	259,600	37,382	155,000	220,000	118,378	8,271	798,631
Vice President, Corporate Development and Strategy, and interim Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer								
Thomas A. Greaney (8)	2018	333,686	52,556	150,000	225,000	172,683	37,978	971,903
Chief Operating Officer, Medical Devices	2017	289,108		195,000	130,000	130,198	28,911	773,218
Andrew D. C. LaFrence (9)	2018	211,576		150,000	225,000		4,426	591,002
Former Vice President, Finance and Information	2017	283,650		195,000	130,000	123,218	6,065	737,933
Systems, and Chief Financial Officer	2016	274,050		137,500	137,500	164,430	6,065	719,545
Bryan K. Phillips	2018	345,950	56,044	150,000	225,000	177,472	8,474	962,940
Senior Vice President, Legal and Human Resources, General	2017	326,600		195,000	130,000	141,875	8,461	801,936
Counsel & Secretary	2016	302,975		137,500	137,500	181,785	8,768	768,528
Gregg S. Sutton	2018	288,575	46,749	150,000	225,000	148,039	6,542	864,905

Vice President, Research and Development

- (1) Reflects base salary earned in each applicable period.
- (2) Reflects amounts paid on a discretionary basis based on the Committee s determination that the overall achievement percentage for the corporate and business unit objectives under the fiscal 2018 annual cash incentive plan should be 150%, which was higher than the actual achievement percentage for fiscal 2018. Amounts paid under the fiscal 2018 annual cash incentive plan are disclosed under the Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation column. See the Compensation Discussion and Analysis above.
- (3) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value of options, restricted stock and performance shares in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718 (ASC 718), but excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures related to service-based vesting conditions. Because the grant dates cover the date on which the compensation was granted and not the performance period over which the compensation would be earned, the compensation is reflected in the fiscal year in which the award was approved rather than in the year to which the performance relates. The ultimate payout value may be significantly more or less than the amounts shown, and could be zero, depending on the Company s performance against the relevant performance objectives (in the case of performance shares) and the price of our common stock at the end of the performance or restricted period or the expiration of stock options. For a description of the performance criteria applicable to the performance shares, see Compensation Discussion and Analysis Elements of Executive Compensation; Long-Term Incentive Compensation.

(4) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value of restricted stock and performance shares awarded to each NEO under ASC 718. With respect to performance share awards, amounts represent achievement at the target level. The table below shows the aggregate grant date fair value of performance share awards based on both target and maximum levels of achievement, respectively.

Name	Fiscal Year	Value of Restricted Shares (\$)	Value of Performance Shares at Target (\$)	Value of Performance Shares at Maximum (\$)
Gary R. Maharaj	2018 2017 2016	430,000 170,000	n/a 340,000 375,000	n/a 680,000 750,000
Timothy J. Arens	2018	155,000	n/a	n/a

Thomas A. Greaney	2018 2017 2016	150,000 65,000	n/a 130,000	n/a 260,000
Andrew D. C. LaFrence (1)	2018 2017 2016	150,000 65,000	n/a 130,000 137,500	n/a 260,000 275,000

Bryan K. Phillips	2018 2017 2016	150,000 65,000	n/a 130,000 137,500	n/a 260,000 275,000
Gregg S. Sutton	2018	150,000	n/a	n/a

- (5) Represents amounts earned under the annual cash incentive plan for each applicable fiscal year, which is discussed in detail in Compensation Discussion and Analysis above.
- (6) Represents matching contributions made by the Company under our 401(k) Plan and amounts received under other benefit plans generally available to all employees. In the case of Mr. Greaney, the amounts represent pension contributions under a pension plan available to the Company s employees based in Ireland.
- (7) The equity awards for Mr. Arens reflect the special, one-time awards granted in July 2018 in connection with his appointment as our interim Vice President of Finance, and Chief Financial Officer.
- (8) Amounts for Mr. Greaney in this table, and other executive compensation disclosure in this proxy statement, that were denominated, accrued, earned or paid in Euros have been converted to U.S. dollars using the average daily exchange rate of 1.00 to \$1.106 for the period from October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017, and 1.00 to \$1.19 for the period from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.
- (9) Mr. LaFrence s employment with the Company ended on May 25, 2018. Upon the end of his employment, all of his unvested equity awards were forfeited.

GRANTS OF PLAN-BASED AWARDS IN FISCAL 2018

The following table sets forth certain information concerning plan-based awards earned by or granted to each of our NEOs during fiscal 2018. You should refer to the sections of Compensation Discussion and Analysis above relating to the annual incentive plan and the long-term incentive program to understand how plan-based awards are determined.

Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards(1)								Grant
					All Other Stock Awards:	All Other Option Awards: Number 1	Exercise or	Date Fair Value of Stock and
	Grant	Threshold	Target	Maximum	Number of Shares or Units	Cof Securities Underlying Options	Base Price of Option Awards	Option Awards
Name	Date	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(#)(2)	(#)(3)	(\$/Sh)	(\$)(4)
Gary R. Maharaj	11/27/17 11/27/17	208,125	416,250	624,375	12,951	61,021	33.20	430,000 645,000
Timothy J. Arens (5)	11/27/17 11/27/17 07/17/18	52,300	104,600	156,900	3,915 423	18,448	33.20	130,000 195,000 25,000
	07/17/18					1,341	59.10	25,000
Thomas A. Greaney	11/27/17 11/27/17	75,353	150,706	226,059	4,518	21,286	33.20	150,000 225,000
Andrew D. C. LaFrence	11/27/17 11/27/17	70,898	141,795	212,693	4,518	21,286	33.20	150,000 225,000
Bryan K. Phillips	11/27/17 11/27/17	78,773	157,545	236,318	4,518	21,286	33.20	150,000 225,000
Gregg S. Sutton	11/27/17 11/27/17	65,408	130,815	196,223	4,518	21,286	33.20	150,000 225,000

⁽¹⁾ Represents the potential cash payments under the Company s annual incentive plan at threshold, target and maximum performance. Under the terms of our annual cash incentive plan, results below the threshold level of performance would receive no award. For a further discussion of these awards, see Compensation Discussion and Analysis Annual Cash Compensation Cash Incentive Compensation.

⁽²⁾ Represents the number of restricted shares granted to each NEO as a component of such officers long-term incentive compensation.

- (3) Represents the number of stock options granted to each NEO as a component of such officer s long-term incentive compensation. The exercise price of the stock options is equal to the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant.
- (4) Represents the aggregate grant date fair value of performance shares (at target), restricted stock awards, and stock options in accordance with ASC 718.
- (5) The equity awards for Mr. Arens reflect the special, one-time awards granted in July 2018 in connection with his appointment as our interim Vice President of Finance, and Chief Financial Officer.

OUTSTANDING EQUITY AWARDS AT 2018 FISCAL YEAR-END

The table below reflects all outstanding equity awards made to each of the NEOs that were outstanding on September 30, 2018. The market or payout value of unearned shares, units or other rights that have not vested equals \$74.65 per share, which was the closing price of the Company s common stock as listed on The Nasdaq Global Select Market on September 30, 2018, the last day of our last fiscal year.

		0	Option Awards	s(1)		Stock Awards					
		Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)		Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Award Grant Date	Stock T	or Units of That Have Vested	Equity Incentive I Awards: Unearned S Units or Othe Rights That Ha Not Vested		
	Option									Mark Payout	
	Grant Date	Exercisable	·Unexercisable				Number (#)	Market (\$)	Number (#)	(\$)	
	12/02/14 12/17/15 11/30/16 11/28/17	11,194	10,311 27,174 33,585 61,021	21.03 20.25 23.95 33.20	12/02/21 12/17/22 11/30/23 11/28/24	11/30/16 11/30/16 11/28/17	4,732 12,951	353,244 966,792	2,839(2)	211,	
у	12/02/14 12/17/15 11/30/16 11/28/17 07/17/18		3,569 9,963 12,840 18,447 1,341	21.03 20.25 23.95 33.20 59.10	12/02/21 12/17/22 11/30/23 11/28/24 07/17/25	11/30/16 11/30/16 09/26/17 11/28/17 07/17/18	1,809 2,026 3,915 423	135,042 151,241 292,255 31,577	1,085(2)	80,	
	12/17/15	9,963	9,964	21.03	12/17/22	11/30/16			1,085(2)	80,	

y	11/30/16 11/28/17	4,280	12,841 21,285	23.95 33.20	11/30/23 11/28/24	11/30/16 11/28/17	1,809 4,518	135,042 337,269		
w ce										
	11/18/13 12/02/14 12/17/15 11/30/16 11/28/17	12,612 10,707 9,963 4,280	0 3,569 9,964 12,841 21,285	22.58 21.03 20.25 23.95 33.20	11/18/20 12/02/21 12/17/22 11/30/23 11/28/24	11/30/16 11/30/16 11/28/17	1,809 4,518	135,042 337,269	1,085(2)	80,
S.	02/16/16 11/30/16 11/28/17		10,544 12,841 21,285	19.42 23.95 33.20	02/16/23 11/30/23 11/28/24	11/30/16 11/30/16 11/28/17	1,809 4,518	135,042 337,269	1,085(2)	80,

- (1) Stock option awards granted generally become exercisable in four equal increments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) Represents performance shares granted for the three-year performance period ending September 30, 2019. The performance objectives for this plan are specified levels of revenue and EBITDA over the three-year performance period. Because cumulative performance for the three-year performance period applicable to these performance shares has not yet surpassed the threshold level established for payout, the number of shares and payout value are reported at the threshold level.
- (3) Reflects options transferred during fiscal 2018 pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order.

2018 OPTION EXERCISES AND STOCK VESTED

The table below includes information related to options exercised by each of the NEOs and stock awards that vested during fiscal 2018. The table also includes the value realized for such options and stock awards.

	Optio	n Awards	Stock Awards		
	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise	Value Realized on Exercise	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting	Value Realized on Vesting	
Name	(#)	(\$)(1)	(#)	(\$)(2)	
Gary R. Maharaj	132,864	2,677,212	26,124	1,423,730	
Timothy J. Arens (3)	53,731	1,759,818	11,640	672,266	
Thomas A. Greaney			9,615	523,226	
Andrew D. C. LaFrence	48,747	1,402,407	904	29,922	
Bryan K. Phillips	18,633	366,617	9,615	523,226	
Gregg S. Sutton	14,824	794,153	9,987	544,293	

- (1) Value realized on exercise is equal to the difference between the market price of the underlying shares at exercise and the exercise price of the options.
- (2) Value realized on vesting is equal to the market price of the underlying shares at vesting. Represents performance shares granted for the three-year performance period ended September 30, 2018, which shares vested on November 27, 2018.
- (3) Reflects options transferred for value pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order. Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control

Arrangements with Mr. Maharaj. In connection with his hiring in December 2010, the Company entered into a Severance Agreement with Gary R. Maharaj, our President and Chief Executive Officer. Pursuant to the Severance Agreement, Mr. Maharaj will be eligible for certain severance benefits in the event that his employment is terminated by the Company without cause, or by him for good reason. In particular, in the event his employment is terminated without cause, Mr. Maharaj will receive (1) a severance payment equal to twelve months of his then-current annual base salary, and (2) continuation coverage of life, health and dental benefits for up to 18 months. Further, in the event that Mr. Maharaj s employment is terminated by the Company without cause and he is unable to secure subsequent employment primarily because of his obligations under the Non-Competition, Invention, Non-Disclosure Agreement, the Company will extend his base salary severance payments (not to exceed 12 additional months) so long as he is able to demonstrate that he is diligently seeking alternate employment.

Additionally, pursuant to the Severance Agreement, Mr. Maharaj will be provided with severance benefits in the event his employment with the Company is terminated following a change of control of the Company. If, within twelve months following the occurrence of a change of control, Mr. Maharaj s employment with the Company is terminated either by the Company without cause, or by him for good reason, then Mr. Maharaj will receive: (1) a severance payment equal to two and one-half times the average cash compensation paid to him during the three most recent taxable years, and (2) continuation coverage of life, health or dental benefits for up to 18 months. In addition, any unvested portions of Mr. Maharaj s outstanding options will immediately vest and become exercisable, any remaining forfeiture provisions on his outstanding restricted stock awards will immediately lapse, and the target number of shares subject to his outstanding performance awards will immediately vest and become payable.

Arrangements with other Executives. In addition to the arrangements discussed above with respect to Mr. Maharaj, each of our other NEOs has entered into Change of Control Agreements with the Company. The term of these agreements extends until the twelve-month anniversary of the date on which a change of control occurs. Each agreement will automatically terminate and the executive will not be entitled to any of the compensation and benefits described in the agreement if, prior to a change of control occurring, the executive semployment with the Company terminates for any reason or no reason, or if the executive no longer serves as an executive officer of the Company. Each executive will be provided with severance benefits in the event his employment with the Company is terminated following a change of control (as defined in the agreements) of the Company. If, within twelve months following the occurrence of a change of control, the executive semployment with the Company is terminated either by the Company without cause, or by him for good reason (as defined in the agreements), then the executive will receive: (1) a severance payment equal to two times the sum of the executive s (i) base salary in effect as of the date of the change of control termination, and (ii) an amount equal to the target short-term incentive opportunity for the year in which the change of control termination

occurs; and (2) continuation coverage of life, health and dental benefits for up to 18 months. In addition, any unvested portions of the executive soutstanding options or stock appreciation rights will immediately vest and become exercisable; any remaining forfeiture provisions associated with his outstanding restricted stock awards will immediately lapse; and all shares or units subject to all outstanding performance share awards shall become immediately vested and payable at the applicable target performance objectives. None of the Change of Control Agreements includes provisions requiring the Company to make an excise tax gross up payment. If the severance benefits payable to an executive would constitute an excess parachute payment under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code, such payment shall either be reduced so that it will not constitute an excess parachute payment, or paid in full, depending on which payment would result in the executive receiving the greatest after tax payment. In case of the latter, the executive would be liable for any excise tax owed.

Other than with respect to the arrangements described above, and as contained in the tables below, no executive officer has any contractual right to severance or other termination benefits.

The table below reflects estimated payments and benefits for our NEOs under the arrangements described above that would be due upon an involuntary termination, assuming a termination date of September 30, 2018.

Name	Severance Amounts (\$)(1)	Welfare Benefits (\$)(2)	Accelerated Vesting	Total (\$)
Gary R. Maharaj	1,110,000	12,730		1,122,730
Timothy J. Arens	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Thomas A. Greaney	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Bryan K. Phillips	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Gregg S. Sutton	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

- (1) Represents estimated severance benefits that would be paid following an involuntary termination. For Mr. Maharaj, this amount is equal to two times his base salary at the time of the assumed termination.
- (2) Represents the estimated value of the continuation of coverage under life, health, and dental benefit plans to be provided following an involuntary termination.

The table below reflects estimated payments and benefits for our NEOs under the arrangements described above that would be due following a change of control termination, assuming a termination date of September 30, 2018.

Accelerated Vesting							
Name A		Performance Shares (\$)(2)	Stock Options (\$)(3)	Stock Awards (\$)(4)	Other Gro	nated Tax ss-Up (\$) Total (\$)	
Gary R. Maharaj	2,191,559	1,014,134	1,036,172	2,045,037	12,905	6,299,807	
	732,200	405,126	2,361,834	781,436	31,691	4,312,287	

Timothy J. Arens

Thomas A. Greaney	971,214	405,126	2,289,115	669,984	7,053		4,342,492
Andrew D. C. LaFrence (6)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Bryan K. Phillips	1,015,290	405,126	2,488,257	669,984			4,578,656
Gregg S. Sutton	843,030	405,126	2,337,190	669,984	11,998		4,267,328

- (1) Represents estimated severance benefits that would be paid following an eligible termination occurring after a change of control. For Mr. Maharaj, this amount is equal to two and one-half times the average cash compensation (i.e., annual salary and cash incentive payments) paid to him during the three most recent taxable years prior to such termination. For all other executives, this amount is equal to two times the sum of the executive s annual salary and the target annual cash incentive opportunity.
- (2) Represents the target value of outstanding and unvested performance share awards, except for the performance shares granted for the three-year performance period ended September 30, 2018, which payout value is based on actual performance through September 30, 2018.
- (3) Represents the market gain (intrinsic value) of unvested options as of September 30, 2018 at the closing price on that date of \$74.65 per share.

- (4) Represents the value of unvested restricted stock awards as of September 30, 2018 at the closing price on that date of \$74.65 per share.
- (5) Represents the estimated value of the continuation of coverage under life, health, and dental benefit plans for up to eighteen months.
- (6) Mr. LaFrence s employment with the Company ended on May 25, 2018.

CEO PAY RATIO

We are providing the following information about the relationship of the annual total compensation of our employees and the annual total compensation of Gary R. Maharaj, our CEO:

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, our last completed fiscal year:

the annual total compensation of our median employee was \$62,294; and

the annual total compensation of our CEO, as reported in the Summary Compensation Table of this proxy statement, was \$2,253,541.

Based on this information for fiscal year 2018, we reasonably estimate that the ratio of our CEO s annual total compensation to the annual total compensation of our median employee was 36:1. Our pay ratio estimate has been calculated in a manner consistent with Item 402(u) of Regulation S-K.

We identified our median employee based on the total cash and stock-based compensation actually paid during fiscal year 2018 to all members of our workforce (including full-time, part-time and temporary employees), other than our CEO, who were employed on September 30, 2018. For purposes of determining the total cash and stock-based compensation actually paid, we included: the amount of base salary the employee received during the year, the amount of any cash incentives paid to the employee in the year and the grant date fair market value of any equity awards granted during the year. We annualized the pay for any employees who were employed by us for only part of the year and did not include any value for benefits provided.

Once we identified our median employee, we then determined that employee s total compensation, including any perquisites and other benefits, in the same manner that we determine the total compensation of our named executive officers for purposes of the Summary Compensation Table disclosed above. This total compensation amount for our median employee was then compared to the total compensation of our CEO disclosed above. The elements included in the CEO s total compensation are fully discussed above in the footnotes to the Summary Compensation Table.

SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires the Company s executive officers, directors and persons who own more than 10% of the Company s common stock to file with the SEC initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership of common stock and other equity securities of the Company. Officers, directors and greater than 10% shareholders are required by SEC regulations to furnish the Company with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file.

To our knowledge and based on written representations from our officers and directors, we believe that all reports required to be filed pursuant to Section 16(a) during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, were filed in a timely manner, except for a Form 4 filing in December 2017 for Joseph J. Stich reporting the sale of shares pursuant to 10b5-1 trading plan.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Directors maintains an Audit Committee comprised of three of the Company s outside directors, including the directors listed below who were the members of the committee at the end of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018. In accordance with the written charter adopted by the Board of Directors, the Audit Committee assists the Board of Directors with fulfilling its oversight responsibility regarding the quality and integrity of the accounting, auditing and financial reporting practices of the Company. In discharging its oversight responsibilities regarding the audit process, the Audit Committee:

- (1) reviewed and discussed the audited consolidated financial statements with management;
- (2) discussed with the Company s independent registered public accounting firm the matters required to be discussed by Auditing Standard No. 1301, Communications with Audit Committees, as amended or supplemented; and
- (3) received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public accounting firm required by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the registered public accounting firm s communications with the audit committee concerning independence, and has discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the firm s independence.

Based upon the review and discussions referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited financial statements be included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, as filed with the SEC.

Members of the Audit Committee:

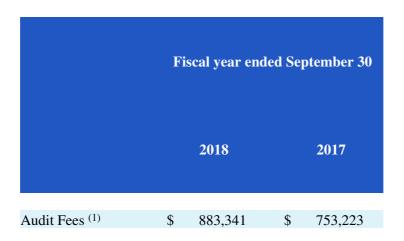
Ronald B. Kalich, Chair

Susan E. Knight

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Audit and Other Fees

Set forth below are the aggregate fees billed by Deloitte & Touche LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, for each of our last two fiscal years:



Audit-Related Fees			
Tax Fees			
All Other Fees (2)	1,895	1,895	
Total	\$ 885,236	\$ 755,118	

- (1) Audit services consisted principally of services related to the audit of our consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Reports on Form 10-K and review of financial statements included in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.
- (2) All other fees for fiscal years 2018 and 2017 related to subscription fees for access to technical accounting materials.

The Company s Audit Committee pre-approved all of the services described in each of the items above. In addition, the Audit Committee considered whether provision of the above non-audit services was compatible with maintaining Deloitte & Touche LLP s independence and determined that such services did not adversely affect Deloitte & Touche LLP s independence.

RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT

REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

(Proposal #3)

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company has appointed the firm of Deloitte & Touche LLP to serve as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, subject to ratification of this appointment by the shareholders of the Company. Deloitte & Touche LLP has acted as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm since fiscal 2002. In the event that shareholders do not ratify the selection of Deloitte & Touche LLP, the Audit Committee will re-evaluate their selection as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2019.

Representatives of Deloitte & Touche LLP are expected to be present at the virtual Annual Meeting, will be given an opportunity to make a statement regarding financial and accounting matters of the Company if they so desire, and will be available to respond to appropriate questions from the Company s shareholders.

The Board of Directors recommends that you vote **FOR** the ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

(Proposal #4)

The Company is presenting the following proposal, which gives you as a shareholder the opportunity to endorse or not endorse the compensation of our NEOs as described in this proxy statement by voting for or against the following resolution. This resolution is required pursuant to Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act. While our Board of Directors intends to carefully consider the shareholder vote resulting from the proposal, the final vote will not be binding on us and is advisory in nature.

RESOLVED, that the shareholders approve the compensation of the Company s NEOs, as disclosed in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the compensation tables, and the related disclosure contained in the proxy statement set forth under the caption Executive Compensation and Other Information of this proxy statement.

The Board believes that our fiscal 2018 executive compensation programs were tailored to our company s business strategies, aligned pay with performance and reflect many of the best practices regarding executive compensation. Accordingly, the Board of Directors recommends that you vote **FOR** approval of the compensation of our NEOs as disclosed in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the compensation tables, and the related disclosure contained in the proxy statement set forth under the caption Executive Compensation and Other Information of this proxy statement. Proxies will be voted **FOR** approval of the proposal unless otherwise specified.

The Board has decided that the Company will hold an advisory vote on the compensation of the Company s NEOs (the <u>Say-on-Pay Vote</u>) annually until such time as our shareholders recommend a different frequency of the Say-on-Pay Vote when a frequency proposal is considered by our shareholders in an advisory vote, or until the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the Company to hold such vote with a different frequency.

APPROVAL OF THE SURMODICS, INC. 2019 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

(Proposal #5)

On December 17, 2018, our Board of Directors, at the recommendation of our Organization and Compensation Committee (the <u>Committee</u>), approved the SurModics, Inc. 2019 Equity Incentive Plan (the <u>2019 Plan</u>), subject to approval by our shareholders at the Annual Meeting. The 2019 Plan will become effective on the date it is approved by our shareholders, and will replace the Company s existing 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated (the 2009 Plan), which is the only plan under which equity awards are currently being granted.

After the 2019 Plan becomes effective upon approval by our shareholders, no new awards will be made under the 2009 Plan. The number of shares of our common stock that may be the subject of awards and issued under the 2019 Plan is 1,100,000. Awards outstanding under the 2009 Plan as of the date the 2019 Plan becomes effective will continue to be subject to the terms of the 2009 Plan, but if those awards subsequently expire, are forfeited or cancelled or are settled in cash, the shares subject to those awards will become available for awards under the 2019 Plan.

Shareholder Approval and Board of Directors Recommendation

Shareholder approval of the 2019 Plan is being sought in order to (i) satisfy the shareholder approval requirements of the NASDAQ Global Select Market and (ii) obtain shareholder approval of the number of shares that may be subject to incentive stock options under Internal Revenue Code (<u>Code</u>) Section 422.

Our Board of Directors recommends that our shareholders vote **FOR** the 2019 Plan because it includes a number of features that we believe are consistent with the interests of our shareholders and sound corporate governance practices, and will provide us with a share reserve that will enable us to continue to provide a competitive mix of compensation to our key employees. Unless a contrary choice is specified, proxies solicited by the board of directors will be voted **FOR** approval of the 2019 Plan. If the 2019 Plan is not approved by our shareholders, the 2009 Plan in its current form will remain in effect, and we will remain subject to its existing share reserve.

Factors Considered in Setting Size of Requested Share Reserve

In setting the proposed number of shares reserved and issuable under the 2019 Plan, we considered a number of factors, including the following:

The Company s three-year average burn rate. Our three-year average burn rate was 3.84% for fiscal years 2016 through 2018, which is lower than ISS benchmark for companies of similar classification. We define burn rate as the total number of shares subject to awards granted to participants in a single year expressed as a percent of our basic weighted average common shares outstanding for that year.

Estimated duration of shares available for issuance under the 2019 Plan. Based on the 1,100,000 shares to be reserved under the 2019 Plan, and our three-year average burn rate as described above, we expect that the requested share reserve will be sufficient to accommodate awards for approximately 4 to 5 years.

Expected dilution. As of September 30, 2018, our estimated existing voting power dilution attributable to shares subject to outstanding awards under the 2009 Plan was 5.61%. We define existing voting power dilution as the sum of (i) the total number of shares of our common stock subject to outstanding awards under the 2009 Plan and (ii) the total number of shares available for future grants under the 2009 Plan, divided by the fully diluted number of our common shares outstanding. Our projected voting power dilution as of that same date would be 12.80%, based on including the 1,100,000 share reserve under the 2019 Plan in the formula.

Expectations regarding future share usage under the 2019 Plan are naturally based on a number of assumptions regarding factors such as future growth in the population of eligible participants, the rate of future compensation increases, the rate at which shares are returned to the 2019 Plan reserve through forfeitures, cancellations and the like, the level at which performance-based awards pay out, and our future stock price performance. While the Committee believes that the assumptions utilized are reasonable, future share usage will differ from current expectations to the extent that actual events differ from the assumptions utilized.

Key Compensation Practices

The 2019 Plan includes a number of features that we believe are consistent with the interests of our shareholders and sound corporate governance practices, including the following:

No repricing of underwater options or stock appreciation rights without shareholder approval. The 2019 Plan prohibits, without shareholder approval, actions to reprice, replace, or repurchase options or stock appreciation rights (<u>SAR</u>s) when the exercise price per share of an option or SAR exceeds the fair market value of the underlying shares.

No discounted option or SAR grants. The 2019 Plan requires that the exercise price of options or SARs be at least equal to the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant (except in the limited case of substitute awards as described below).

No Liberal Share Recycling. We may not add back to the 2019 Plan s share reserve shares that are delivered or withheld to pay the exercise price of an option award or to satisfy a tax withholding obligation in connection with any awards, shares that we repurchase using option exercise proceeds and shares subject to a SAR award that are not issued in connection with the stock settlement of that award upon its exercise.

No liberal definition of change in control. No change in control would be triggered by shareholder approval of a business combination transaction, the announcement or commencement of a tender offer or any board assessment that a change in control may be imminent.

No automatic accelerated vesting of equity awards upon a change in control.

Limits on dividends and dividend equivalents. The 2019 Plan prohibits the payment of dividend equivalents on stock options and SARs, and requires that any dividends and dividend equivalents payable or credited on unvested full value awards must be subject to the same restrictions and risk of forfeiture as the underlying shares or share equivalents.

Description of the 2019 Plan

The major features of the 2019 Plan are summarized below. The summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the 2019 Plan, which is attached to this proxy statement as Appendix A.

Eligible Participants. Employees, consultants and advisors of the Company or any subsidiary, as well as non-employee directors of the Company, will be eligible to receive awards under the 2019 Plan. As of November 30, 2018, there were 338 employees, six non-employee directors of the Company and an indeterminate number of consultants and advisors who would be eligible to receive awards under the 2019 Plan.

Administration. The 2019 Plan will be administered by the Committee. To the extent consistent with applicable law, the Committee may delegate its duties, power and authority under the 2019 Plan to any one or more of its members, or, with respect to awards to participants who are not themselves our directors or executive officers, to one or more of our other directors or executive officers or to a committee of the board comprised of one or more directors. The Committee may also delegate non-discretionary administrative duties to other persons, agents or advisors.

The Committee has the authority to determine the persons to whom awards will be granted, the timing, type and number of shares covered by each award, and the terms and conditions of the awards. The Committee may also establish and modify rules to administer the 2019 Plan, adopt sub-plans applicable to certain awards, interpret the 2019 Plan and any related award agreement, cancel or suspend an award, accelerate the vesting of an award and otherwise modify or amend the terms of outstanding awards to the extent permitted under the 2019 Plan, and require or permit the deferral of the settlement of an award. Unless an amendment to the terms of an award is necessary to comply with applicable laws or stock exchange rules, a participant who would be adversely affected by such an amendment must consent to it.

Except in connection with equity restructurings and other situations in which share adjustments are specifically authorized, the 2019 Plan prohibits the Committee from repricing any outstanding underwater option or SAR awards without the prior approval of our shareholders. For these purposes, a repricing includes amending the terms of an underwater option or SAR award to lower the exercise price, canceling an underwater option or SAR award in conjunction with granting a replacement option or SAR award with a lower exercise price, canceling an underwater option or SAR award in exchange for cash, other property or grant of a new full value award, or otherwise making an underwater option or SAR award subject to any action that would be treated under accounting rules as a repricing.

Available Shares and Limitations on Awards. A maximum of 1,100,000 shares of our common stock may be the subject of awards and issued under the 2019 Plan. Shares of common stock that are issued under the 2019 Plan or that are potentially issuable pursuant to outstanding awards will reduce the 2019 Plan s share reserve by one share for each share issued or issuable pursuant to an option or SAR award, and by 1.50 shares for each share issued or issuable pursuant to a full value award. The shares of common stock issuable under the 2019 Plan are authorized but unissued

shares. The share limitations under the 2019 Plan are subject to adjustment for changes in our corporate structure or shares, as described below.

Any shares of common stock subject to an award under the 2019 Plan, or to an award under the 2009 Plan that is outstanding on the date our shareholders approve the 2019 Plan, that expire, are cancelled or forfeited, or are settled or paid in cash will, to the extent of such expiration, cancellation, forfeiture or cash settlement, automatically replenish the 2019 Plan share reserve and become available for future awards. In such event, the 2019 Plan s share reserve will be increased in the same amount by which the share reserve was decreased upon the grant of the applicable award. Any shares tendered or withheld to pay the exercise price or satisfy a tax withholding obligation in connection with any award, any shares repurchased by the Company using option exercise proceeds and any shares subject to a SAR award that are not issued in connection with the stock settlement of the SAR award on its exercise may not be used again for new grants.

Awards that may be settled solely in cash will not reduce the share reserve and will not reduce the shares authorized for grant to a participant in any calendar year. Awards granted or shares of our common stock issued under the 2019 Plan upon the assumption of, or in substitution or exchange for, outstanding equity awards previously granted by an entity acquired by us or any of our subsidiaries (referred to as substitute awards) will not reduce the share reserve under the 2019 Plan. Additionally, if a company acquired by us or any of our subsidiaries has shares available under a pre-existing plan approved by its shareholders and not adopted in contemplation of such acquisition, the shares available for grant pursuant to the terms of that pre-existing plan may be used for awards under the 2019 Plan and will not reduce the share reserve under the 2019 Plan, but only if the awards are made to individuals who were not employed by or providing services to us or any of our subsidiaries immediately prior to such acquisition.

Share Adjustment Provisions. If certain transactions with our shareholders occur that cause the per share value of our common stock to change, such as stock splits, spin-offs, stock dividends or certain recapitalizations (referred to as equity restructurings), the Committee will equitably adjust (i) the class of shares issuable and the maximum number and kind of shares subject to the 2019 Plan, (ii) outstanding awards as to the class, number of shares and price per share, and (iii) award limitations prescribed by the 2019 Plan. Other types of transactions may also affect our common stock, such as reorganizations, mergers or consolidations. If there is such a transaction and the Committee determines that adjustments of the type previously described in connection with equity restructurings would be appropriate to prevent any dilution or enlargement of benefits under the 2019 Plan, the Committee will make such adjustments as it may deem equitable.

Types of Awards. The 2019 Plan permits us to award stock options, SARs, restricted stock awards, stock unit awards, and other stock-based awards to eligible recipients. These types of awards are described in more detail below.

Options. Employees of our Company or any subsidiary may be granted options to purchase common stock that qualify as incentive stock options within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code, and any eligible recipient may be granted options to purchase common stock that do not qualify as incentive stock options, referred to as nonqualified stock options. The per share exercise price to be paid by a participant at the time an option is exercised may not be less than 100% of the fair market value of one share of our common stock on the date of grant, unless the option is granted as a substitute award as described earlier. Fair market value under the 2019 Plan as of any date means the closing sale price of a share of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on that date. As of November 30, 2018, the closing sale price of a share of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$60.59.

The total purchase price of the shares to be purchased upon exercise of an option will be paid by the participant in cash unless the Committee allows exercise payments to be made, in whole or in part, (i) by means of a broker-assisted sale and remittance program, (ii) by delivery to us (or attestation as to ownership) of shares of common stock already owned by the participant, or (iii) by a net exercise of the option in which a portion of the shares otherwise issuable upon exercise of the option are withheld by us. Any shares delivered or withheld in payment of an exercise price will be valued at their fair market value on the exercise date.

An option will vest and become exercisable at such time, in such installments and subject to such conditions as may be determined by the Committee, and no option may have a term greater than 10 years from its date of grant. No dividends or dividend equivalents may be paid or credited with respect to shares subject to an option award.

The aggregate fair market value of shares of our common stock with respect to which incentive stock options granted to any participant may first become exercisable during any calendar year may not exceed \$100,000. Any incentive stock options that become exercisable in excess of this amount will be treated as nonqualified stock options. The maximum number of shares that may be issued upon the exercise of incentive stock option awards under the 2019 Plan is equal to the size of the 2019 Plan is share reserve as described above.

Stock Appreciation Rights. A SAR award provides the right to receive a payment from us equal to the difference between (i) the fair market value as of the date of exercise of the number of shares of our common stock as to which the SAR is being exercised, and (ii) the aggregate exercise price of that number of shares. The Committee determines whether payment will be made in shares of our common stock, cash or a combination of both. The exercise price per share of a SAR award will be determined by the Committee, but may not be less than 100 percent of the fair market value of one share of our common stock on the date of grant, unless the SAR is granted as a substitute award as described earlier. No dividends or dividend equivalents may be paid or credited with respect to shares subject to a SAR award. A SAR award may not have a term greater than 10 years from its date of grant, and will be subject to such other terms and conditions, consistent with the terms of the 2019 Plan, as may be determined by the Committee.

Restricted Stock Awards. A restricted stock award is an award of our common stock that vests at such times and in such installments as may be determined by the Committee. Until it vests, the shares subject to the award are subject to restrictions on transferability and the possibility of forfeiture. The Committee may impose such restrictions or conditions to the vesting of restricted

stock awards as it deems appropriate, including that the participant remain continuously in our service for a certain period or that we, or any of our subsidiaries or business units, satisfy specified performance goals. Any dividends or distributions payable with respect to shares that are subject to the unvested portion of a restricted stock award will be subject to the same restrictions and risk of forfeiture as the shares to which such dividends or distributions relate. Participants are entitled to vote restricted shares prior to the time they vest.

Stock Unit Awards. A stock unit award is a right to receive the fair market value of a specified number of shares of our common stock, payable in cash, shares, or a combination of both, that vests at such times, in such installments and subject to such conditions as may be determined by the Committee. Until it vests, a stock unit award is subject to restrictions and the possibility of forfeiture. Stock unit awards will be subject to such terms and conditions, consistent with the other provisions of the 2019 Plan, as may be determined by the Committee. The Committee may provide for the payment of dividend equivalents on stock unit awards and other stock-based awards, but any such dividend equivalents will be subject to the same restrictions and risk of forfeiture as the underlying units or other share equivalents to which such dividend equivalents relate.

Other Stock-Based Awards. The Committee may grant awards of common stock and other awards that are valued by reference to and/or payable in shares of our common stock under the 2019 Plan. The Committee has discretion in determining the terms and conditions of such awards.

Transferability of Awards. In general, no right or interest in any award under the 2019 Plan may be assigned, transferred, exchanged or encumbered by a participant, voluntarily or involuntarily, except by will or the laws of descent and distribution. However, the Committee may provide that an award (other than an incentive stock option) may be transferable by gift to a participant s family member or pursuant to a domestic relations order. Any permitted transferee of such an award will remain subject to all the terms and conditions of the award applicable to the participant.

Change in Control. If a change in control of our company occurs, our Board of Directors or the Committee may, in its discretion, provide for one or more of the following with respect to awards under the 2019 Plan: (i) the continuation, assumption or replacement of outstanding awards; (ii) the acceleration of vesting and exercisability of outstanding awards; (iii) the cancellation of unvested and unexercised awards; or (iv) the cancellation of awards in exchange for payment to participants in cash equal to the difference, if any, between the fair market value of the consideration that would be received in the change of control transaction for the number of shares subject to the award and the aggregate exercise price (if any) of the shares subject to the award. For these purposes, a change in control generally occurs if (i) a person or group acquires 35% or more of our outstanding stock, (ii) our continuing directors cease to represent a majority of our Board of Directors, or (iii) a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the company, or a merger, consolidation, share exchange or similar transaction involving the company, is consummated (unless the company s outstanding stock immediately prior to the transaction continues to represent over 65% of the outstanding stock of the company or the surviving entity immediately after the transaction).

Effect of Termination of Employment. Unless otherwise set forth in an applicable agreement, if a participant ceases to be employed by or provide other services to us and our subsidiaries, awards under the 2019 Plan will be treated as set forth in the 2019 Plan. Upon termination for cause, all unexercised option and SAR awards and all unvested portions of any other outstanding awards will be immediately forfeited without consideration. Upon termination for any other reason, all unvested and unexercisable portions of any outstanding awards will be immediately forfeited without consideration. Upon termination for any reason other than cause, death or disability, the currently vested and exercisable portions of option and SAR awards may be exercised for a period of three months after the date of termination; however, if the participant dies during such three-month period, the vested and exercisable portions of the option and SAR awards may be exercised for a period of six months after the date of such termination. Upon termination due to death or disability, the currently vested and exercisable portions of option and SAR awards may be exercised for a period of six months after the date of termination. Under the 2019 Plan, cause is generally defined as

(i) failure to perform satisfactorily the duties reasonably required by the Company; (ii) material violation of any law, rule, regulation, court order or regulatory directive (other than traffic violations, misdemeanors or other minor offenses); (iii) material breach of the Company s business conduct or ethics code or of any fiduciary duty or nondisclosure, non-solicitation, non-competition or similar obligation owed to the Company or any affiliate; (iv) engaging in any act or practice that involves personal dishonesty on the part of the employee or demonstrates a willful and continuing disregard for the best interests of the Company and its affiliates; or (v) engaging in dishonorable or disruptive behavior, practices or acts which would be reasonably expected to harm or bring disrepute to the Company or any of its affiliates, their business or any of their customers, employees or vendors.

Effective Date and Term of the 2019 Plan. The 2019 Plan will become effective on the date it is approved by the Company s shareholders. No awards will be made under the 2019 Plan prior to its effective date. Unless terminated earlier, the 2019 Plan will terminate on the tenth anniversary of the effective date. Awards outstanding under the 2019 Plan at the time it is terminated will continue in accordance with their terms and the terms of the 2019 Plan unless otherwise provided in the applicable agreements. Our Board of Directors may suspend or terminate the 2019 Plan at any time.

Amendment of the Plan. Our Board of Directors may amend the 2019 Plan from time to time, but no amendments to the 2019 Plan will be effective without shareholder approval if such approval is required under applicable laws, regulations or stock exchange rules. Termination, suspension or amendment of the 2019 Plan may not adversely affect any outstanding award without the consent of the affected participant, except for amendments necessary to comply with applicable laws or stock exchange rules.

U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following is a summary of the principal United States federal income tax consequences to the Company and to participants subject to U.S. taxation with respect to awards granted under the 2019 Plan, based on current statutes, regulations and interpretations.

Non-qualified Stock Options. If a participant is granted a non-qualified stock option under the 2019 Plan, the participant will not recognize taxable income upon the grant of the option. Generally, the participant will recognize ordinary income at the time of exercise in an amount equal to the difference between the fair market value of the shares acquired at the time of exercise and the exercise price paid. The participant s basis in the common stock for purposes of determining gain or loss on a subsequent sale or disposition of such shares generally will be the fair market value of our common stock on the date the option was exercised. Any subsequent gain or loss will be taxable as a capital gain or loss. The Company will generally be entitled to a federal income tax deduction at the time and for the same amount as the participant recognizes as ordinary income.

Incentive Stock Options. If a participant is granted an incentive stock option under the 2019 Plan, the participant will not recognize taxable income upon grant of the option. Additionally, if applicable holding period requirements (a minimum of two years from the date of grant and one year from the date of exercise) are met, the participant will not recognize taxable income at the time of exercise. However, the excess of the fair market value of the shares acquired at the time of exercise over the aggregate exercise price is an item of tax preference income potentially subject to the alternative minimum tax. If shares acquired upon exercise of an incentive stock option are held for the holding period described above, the gain or loss (in an amount equal to the difference between the fair market value on the date of sale and the exercise price) upon disposition of the shares will be treated as a long-term capital gain or loss, and the Company will not be entitled to any deduction. Except in the event of death, if the holding period requirements are not met, the incentive stock option will be treated as one that does not meet the requirements of the Code for incentive stock options and the tax consequences described for nonqualified stock options will generally apply.

Other Awards. The current federal income tax consequences of other awards authorized under the 2019 Plan generally follow certain basic patterns. An award of restricted stock results in income recognition by a participant in an amount equal to the fair market value of the shares received at the time the restrictions lapse and the shares vest, unless the participant elects under Code Section 83(b) to accelerate income recognition and the taxability of the award to the date of grant. Stock unit awards generally result in income recognition by a participant at the time payment of such an award is made in an amount equal to the amount paid in cash or the then-current fair market value of the shares received, as applicable. SAR awards result in income recognition by a participant at the time such an award is exercised in an amount equal to the amount paid in cash or the then-current fair market value of the shares received by the participant, as applicable. In each of the foregoing cases, the Company will generally have a corresponding deduction at the time the participant recognizes ordinary income, subject to Code Section 162(m) with respect to covered employees.

Section 162(m) of the Code. Code Section 162(m) denies a deduction to any publicly-held corporation for compensation paid to certain covered employees in a taxable year to the extent that compensation to the covered employee exceeds \$1,000,000.

Section 409A of the Code. The foregoing discussion of tax consequences of awards under the 2019 Plan assumes that the award discussed is either not considered a deferred compensation arrangement subject to Section 409A of the Code, or has been structured to comply with its requirements. If an award is considered a deferred compensation arrangement subject to Section 409A but fails to comply, in operation or form, with the requirements of Section 409A, the affected participant would generally be required to include in income when the award vests the amount deemed deferred, would be required to pay an additional 20 percent income tax on such amount, and would be required to pay interest on the tax that would have been paid but for the deferral.

Awards Under the 2019 Plan

Because the 2019 Plan will not become effective until it is approved by our shareholders, the Committee has not yet approved any awards under, or subject to, the 2019 Plan. In addition, because all awards under the 2019 Plan are discretionary with the Committee, neither the number nor types of future 2019 Plan awards to be received by or allocated to particular participants or groups of participants is presently determinable.

Required Vote; Effect of Proposal

The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock entitled to vote on this item and present in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting is required for approval of this proposal. Proxies solicited by our Board of Directors will be voted for approval of this proposal, unless otherwise specified. If shareholder approval is not obtained, then the 2009 Plan will remain in effect under its current terms and the 2019 Plan will not become effective.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table provides information related to the Company s equity compensation plans in effect as of September 30, 2018:

(a) (c) **Number of Securities to Number of Securities** Remaining Available for **Future Issuance Under** be Issued Upon Exercise **(b)** Weighted-Average **Equity** of Outstanding Options Exercise Price of Compensation Outstanding Options (Excluding Securities **Plan Category** Warrants and Right Warrants and Right effected in Column (a)) Equity compensation plans approved by shareholders 992,538 (1) \$ 19.96(1) 675,587 (2) Equity compensation plans not approved by shareholders N/A Total 992,538 \$ 19.96 675,587

- (1) Excludes shares that may be issued under the Company s amended and restated 1999 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, but includes amounts reserved for previously-granted restricted stock and performance share awards under the 2009 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes 675,587 shares available for future issuance under the 2009 Equity Incentive Plan. Excludes 189,620 shares available under the amended and restated 1999 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE FOR THIS PROPOSAL 5.

SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS

Any appropriate proposal submitted by a shareholder of the Company and intended to be presented at the 2020 annual meeting of shareholders must be received by the Company by August 23, 2019, to be considered for inclusion in the Company s proxy statement and related materials for the 2020 annual meeting. Any other shareholder proposal intended to be presented at the 2020 annual meeting, but not included in the Company s proxy statement and related materials, must be received by the Company on or before November 15, 2019.

ANNUAL REPORT

The notice regarding the availability of proxy materials will contain instructions as to how you can access our Annual Report to Shareholders, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K containing financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, over the internet. It will also tell you how to request, free of charge, a paper or e-mail copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K.

EXHIBITS TO FORM 10-K

The Company will furnish to each person whose Proxy is being solicited, upon written request of any such person, a copy of any exhibit described in the exhibit list accompanying the Form 10-K, upon the payment, in advance, of reasonable fees related to the Company s furnishing such exhibit(s). Requests for copies of such exhibit(s) should be directed to Mr. Bryan K. Phillips, Corporate Secretary, at the Company s principal address.

OTHER BUSINESS

Neither management nor the Board knows of any matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting other than the matters described above. If any other matter properly comes before the Annual Meeting, the appointees named in the Proxies will vote the Proxies in accordance with their best judgment.

Your vote is very important no matter how many shares you own. You are urged to read this proxy statement carefully and, whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, to promptly submit a proxy by following the instructions for voting provided in the proxy.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Susan E. Knight

Chair of the Board

Dated: December 21, 2018

Eden Prairie, Minnesota

APPENDIX A

SURMODICS, INC.

2019 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

- **1. <u>Purpose.</u>** The purpose of the SurModics, Inc. 2019 Equity Incentive Plan (the Plan) is to attract and retain the best available personnel for positions of responsibility with the Company, to provide additional incentives to them and align their interests with those of the Company s shareholders, and to thereby promote the Company s long-term business success.
- 2. **<u>Definitions</u>**. In this Plan, the following definitions will apply.
- (a) Affiliate means any entity that is a Subsidiary of the Company.
- (b) Agreement means the written or electronic agreement, notice or other document containing the terms and conditions applicable to each Award granted under the Plan, including all amendments thereto. An Agreement is subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan.
- (c) Award means a grant made under the Plan in the form of Options, Stock Appreciation Rights, Restricted Stock, Stock Units or an Other Stock-Based Award.
- (d) Board means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (e) Cause means, unless otherwise defined in a then-effective written agreement (including an Agreement) between a Participant and the Company or any Affiliate, a Participant s (i) failure to perform satisfactorily the duties reasonably required of the Participant by the Company (other than by reason of Disability); (ii) material violation of any law, rule, regulation, court order or regulatory directive (other than traffic violations, misdemeanors or other minor offenses); (iii) material breach of the Company s business conduct or ethics code or of any fiduciary duty or nondisclosure, non-solicitation, non-competition or similar obligation owed to the Company or any Affiliate; (iv) engaging in any act or practice that involves personal dishonesty on the part of the Participant or demonstrates a willful and continuing disregard for the best interests of the Company and its Affiliates; or (v) engaging in dishonorable or disruptive behavior, practices or acts which would be reasonably expected to harm or bring disrepute to the Company or any of its Affiliates, their business or any of their customers, employees or vendors.
- (f) Change in Control means, unless otherwise defined in a then-effective written agreement (including an Agreement) between a Participant and the Company or any Affiliate, one of the following:
- (1) An Exchange Act Person becomes the beneficial owner (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of securities of the Company representing 35% or more of the combined voting power of the Company s then outstanding Voting Securities, except that the following will not constitute a Change in Control:
- (A) any acquisition of securities of the Company by an Exchange Act Person from the Company for the purpose of providing financing to the Company;
- (B) any formation of a Group consisting solely of beneficial owners of the Company s Voting Securities as of the effective date of this Plan;
- (C) any repurchase or other acquisition by the Company of its Voting Securities that causes any Exchange Act Person to become the beneficial owner of 35% or more of the Company s Voting Securities; or

(D) with respect to any particular Participant, any acquisition of securities of the Company by the Participant, any Group including the Participant, or any entity controlled by the Participant or a Group including the Participant.

If, however, an Exchange Act Person or Group referenced in clause (A), (B) or (C) above acquires beneficial ownership of additional Company Voting Securities after initially becoming the beneficial owner of 35% or more of the combined voting power of the Company s Voting Securities by one of the means described in those clauses, then a Change in Control will be deemed to have occurred. Furthermore, a Change in Control will occur if a Person becomes the beneficial owner of more than 35% of the Company s Voting Securities as the result of a Corporate Transaction only if the Corporate Transaction is itself a Change in Control pursuant to subsection 2(f)(3).

- (2) Individuals who are Continuing Directors cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the members of the Board.
- (3) A Corporate Transaction is consummated, unless, immediately following such Corporate Transaction, all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners of the Company s Voting Securities immediately prior

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to such Corporate Transaction beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 65% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding Voting Securities of the surviving or acquiring entity resulting from such Corporate Transaction (including beneficial ownership through any Parent of such entity) in substantially the same proportions as their ownership, immediately prior to such Corporate Transaction, of the Company s Voting Securities.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that any Award constitutes a deferral of compensation subject to Code Section 409A, and if that Award provides for a change in the time or form of payment upon a Change in Control, then no Change in Control shall be deemed to have occurred upon an event described in this Section 2(f) unless the event would also constitute a change in ownership or effective control of, or a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets of, the Company under Code Section 409A.

- (g) Code means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect from time to time. For purposes of the Plan, references to sections of the Code shall be deemed to include any applicable regulations thereunder and any successor or similar statutory provisions.
- (h) Committee means two or more Non-Employee Directors designated by the Board to administer the Plan under Section 3, each member of which shall be (i) an independent director within the meaning of applicable stock exchange rules and regulations and (ii) a non-employee director within the meaning of Exchange Act Rule 16b-3.
- (i) Company means SurModics, Inc., a Minnesota corporation, and any successor thereto.
- (j) Continuing Director means an individual (i) who is, as of the effective date of the Plan, a director of the Company, or (ii) who becomes a director of the Company after the effective date hereof and whose initial election, or nomination for election by the Company s shareholders, was approved by at least a majority of the then Continuing Directors, but excluding, for purposes of this clause (ii), an individual whose initial assumption of office occurs as the result of an actual proxy contest involving the solicitation of proxies or consents by a person or Group other than the Board, or by reason of an agreement intended to avoid or settle an actual or threatened proxy contest.
- (k) Corporate Transaction means (i) a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or (ii) a merger, consolidation, share exchange or similar transaction involving the Company, regardless of whether the Company is the surviving entity.
- (l) Disability means (A) any permanent and total disability under any long-term disability plan or policy of the Company or its Affiliates that covers the Participant, or (B) if there is no such long-term disability plan or policy, total and permanent disability within the meaning of Code Section 22(e)(3).
- (m) Employee means an employee of the Company or an Affiliate.
- (n) Exchange Act means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and in effect from time to time.
- (o) Exchange Act Person means any natural person, entity or Group other than (i) the Company or any Affiliate; (ii) any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company or any Affiliate; (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities in connection with a registered public offering of such securities; or (iv) an entity whose Voting Securities are beneficially owned by the beneficial owners of the Company s Voting Securities in substantially the same proportions as their beneficial ownership of the Company s Voting Securities.
- (p) Fair Market Value means the fair market value of a Share determined as follows:
- (1) If the Shares are readily tradable on an established securities market (as determined under Code Section 409A), then Fair Market Value will be the closing sale price for a Share on the principal securities market on which it trades

on the date for which it is being determined, or if no sale of Shares occurred on that date, on the next preceding date on which a sale of Shares occurred, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* or such other source as the Committee deems reliable; or

- (2) If the Shares are not then readily tradable on an established securities market (as determined under Code Section 409A), then Fair Market Value will be determined by the Committee as the result of a reasonable application of a reasonable valuation method that satisfies the requirements of Code Section 409A.
- (q) Full Value Award means an Award other than an Option Award or Stock Appreciation Right Award.
- (r) Grant Date means the date on which the Committee approves the grant of an Award under the Plan, or such later date as may be specified by the Committee on the date the Committee approves the Award.

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- (s) Group means two or more persons who act, or agree to act together, as a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate or other group for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of securities of the Company.
- (t) Non-Employee Director means a member of the Board who is not an Employee.
- (u) Option means a right granted under the Plan to purchase a specified number of Shares at a specified price. An Incentive Stock Option or ISO means any Option designated as such and granted in accordance with the requirements of Code Section 422. A Non-Qualified Stock Option or NQSO means an Option other than an Incentive Stock Option.
- (v) Other Stock-Based Award means an Award described in Section 11 of this Plan.
- (w) Parent means a parent corporation, as defined in Code Section 424(e).
- (x) Participant means a Service Provider to whom a then-outstanding Award has been granted under the Plan.
- (y) Plan means this SurModics, Inc. 2019 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and in effect from time to time.
- (z) Prior Plan means the SurModics, Inc. 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated.
- (aa) Restricted Stock means Shares issued to a Participant that are subject to such restrictions on transfer, vesting conditions and other restrictions or limitations as may be set forth in this Plan and the applicable Agreement.
- (bb) Service means the provision of services by a Participant to the Company or any Affiliate in any Service Provider capacity. A Service Provider s Service shall be deemed to have terminated either upon an actual cessation of providing services to the Company or any Affiliate or upon the entity to which the Service Provider provides services ceasing to be an Affiliate. Except as otherwise provided in this Plan or any Agreement, Service shall not be deemed terminated in the case of (i) any approved leave of absence; (ii) transfers among the Company and any Affiliates in any Service Provider capacity; or (iii) any change in status so long as the individual remains in the service of the Company or any Affiliate in any Service Provider capacity.
- (cc) Service Provider means an Employee, a Non-Employee Director, or any natural person who is a consultant or advisor, or is employed by a consultant or advisor retained by the Company or any Affiliate, and who provides services (other than in connection with (i) a capital-raising transaction or (ii) promoting or maintaining a market in Company securities) to the Company or any Affiliate.
- (dd) Share means a share of Stock.
- (ee) Stock means the common stock, \$.05 par value per Share, of the Company.
- (ff) Stock Appreciation Right or SAR means the right to receive, in cash and/or Shares as determined by the Committee, an amount equal to the appreciation in value of a specified number of Shares between the Grant Date of the SAR and its exercise date.
- (gg) Stock Unit means a right to receive, in cash and/or Shares as determined by the Committee, the Fair Market Value of a Share, subject to such restrictions on transfer, vesting conditions and other restrictions or limitations as may be set forth in this Plan and the applicable Agreement.
- (hh) Subsidiary means a subsidiary corporation, as defined in Code Section 424(f), of the Company.

- (ii) Substitute Award means an Award granted upon the assumption of, or in substitution or exchange for, outstanding awards granted by a company or other entity acquired by the Company or any Affiliate or with which the Company or any Affiliate combines. The terms and conditions of a Substitute Award may vary from the terms and conditions set forth in the Plan to the extent that the Committee at the time of the grant may deem appropriate to conform, in whole or in part, to the provisions of the award in substitution for which it has been granted.
- (jj) Voting Securities of an entity means the outstanding equity securities (or comparable equity interests) entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of such entity.

3. Administration of the Plan.

(a) <u>Administration</u>. The authority to control and manage the operations and administration of the Plan shall be vested in the Committee in accordance with this Section 3.

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- (b) <u>Scope of Authority</u>. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee shall have the authority, in its discretion, to take such actions as it deems necessary or advisable to administer the Plan, including:
- (1) determining the Service Providers to whom Awards will be granted, the timing of each such Award, the type of and the number of Shares covered by each Award, the terms, conditions, performance criteria, restrictions and other provisions of Awards, and the manner in which Awards are paid or settled;
- (2) cancelling or suspending an Award, accelerating the vesting or extending the exercise period of an Award, or otherwise amending the terms and conditions of any outstanding Award, subject to the requirements of Sections 15(d) and 15(e);
- (3) adopting sub-plans or special provisions applicable to Awards, establishing, amending or rescinding rules to administer the Plan, interpreting the Plan and any Award or Agreement, reconciling any inconsistency, correcting any defect or supplying an omission in the Plan or any Agreement, and making all other determinations necessary or desirable for the administration of the Plan:
- (4) granting Substitute Awards under the Plan;
- (5) taking such actions as are provided in Section 3(c) with respect to Awards to foreign Service Providers; and
- (6) requiring or permitting the deferral of the settlement of an Award, and establishing the terms and conditions of any such deferral.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board shall perform the duties and have the responsibilities of the Committee with respect to Awards made to Non-Employee Directors.

- (c) <u>Awards to Foreign Service Providers</u>. The Committee may grant Awards to Service Providers who are foreign nationals, who are located outside of the United States or who are not compensated from a payroll maintained in the United States, or who are otherwise subject to (or could cause the Company to be subject to) legal or regulatory requirements of countries outside of the United States, on such terms and conditions different from those specified in the Plan as may, in the judgment of the Committee, be necessary or desirable to comply with applicable foreign laws and regulatory requirements and to promote achievement of the purposes of the Plan. In connection therewith, the Committee may establish such subplans and modify exercise procedures and other Plan rules and procedures to the extent such actions are deemed necessary or desirable, and may take any other action that it deems advisable to obtain local regulatory approvals or to comply with any necessary local governmental regulatory exemptions.
- (d) Acts of the Committee; Delegation. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for any meeting of the Committee, and any act of a majority of the members present at any meeting at which a quorum is present or any act unanimously approved in writing by all members of the Committee shall be the act of the Committee. Any such action of the Committee shall be valid and effective even if one or more members of the Committee at the time of such action are later determined not to have satisfied all of the criteria for membership in clauses (i) and (ii) of Section 2(h). To the extent not inconsistent with applicable law or stock exchange rules, the Committee may delegate all or any portion of its authority under the Plan to any one or more of its members or, as to Awards to Participants who are not subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, to one or more directors or executive officers of the Company or to a committee of the Board comprised of one or more directors of the Company. The Committee may also delegate non-discretionary administrative responsibilities in connection with the Plan to such other persons as it deems advisable.
- (e) <u>Finality of Decisions</u>. The Committee s interpretation of the Plan and of any Award or Agreement made under the Plan and all related decisions or resolutions of the Board or Committee shall be final and binding on all parties with an

interest therein.

(f) <u>Indemnification</u>. Each person who is or has been a member of the Committee or of the Board, and any other person to whom the Committee delegates authority under the Plan, shall be indemnified by the Company, to the maximum extent permitted by law, against liabilities and expenses imposed upon or reasonably incurred by such person in connection with or resulting from any claims against such person by reason of the performance of the individual s duties under the Plan. This right to indemnification is conditioned upon such person providing the Company an opportunity, at the Company s expense, to handle and defend the claims before such person undertakes to handle and defend them on such person s own behalf. The Company will not be required to indemnify any person for any amount paid in settlement of a claim unless the Company has first consented in writing to the settlement. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights of indemnification to which such person or persons may be entitled under the Company s Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws, as a matter of law, or otherwise.

4. Shares Available Under the Plan.

- (a) <u>Maximum Shares Available</u>. Subject to Section 4(b) and to adjustment as provided in Section 12(a), the number of Shares that may be the subject of Awards and issued under the Plan shall be 1,100,000. No further awards may be made under the Prior Plan after the effective date of this Plan. Shares issued under the Plan may come from authorized and unissued shares. In determining the number of Shares to be counted against this share reserve in connection with any Award, the following rules shall apply:
- (1) Shares that are subject to Awards of Options or Stock Appreciation Rights shall be counted against the share reserve as one Share for every one Share granted.
- (2) Shares that are subject to Full Value Awards shall be counted against the share reserve as one and one-half (1.50) Shares for every one Share granted.
- (3) Where the number of Shares subject to an Award is variable on the Grant Date, the number of Shares to be counted against the share reserve shall be the maximum number of Shares that could be received under that particular Award, until such time as it can be determined that only a lesser number of shares could be received.
- (4) Where two or more types of Awards are granted to a Participant in tandem with each other, such that the exercise of one type of Award with respect to a number of Shares cancels at least an equal number of Shares of the other, the number of Shares to be counted against the share reserve shall be the largest number of Shares that would be counted against the share reserve under either of the Awards.
- (5) Shares subject to Substitute Awards shall not be counted against the share reserve, nor shall they reduce the Shares authorized for grant to a Participant in any calendar year.
- (6) Awards that may be settled solely in cash shall not be counted against the share reserve, nor shall they reduce the Shares authorized for grant to a Participant in any calendar year.
- (b) Effect of Forfeitures and Other Actions. Any Shares subject to an Award, or to an award granted under the Prior Plan that is outstanding on the effective date of this Plan (a Prior Plan Award), that expires, is cancelled or forfeited or is settled for cash shall, to the extent of such cancellation, forfeiture, expiration or cash settlement, again become available for Awards under this Plan, and the share reserve under Section 4(a) shall be correspondingly replenished as provided in Section 4(c) below. The following Shares shall not, however, again become available for Awards or replenish the share reserve under Section 4(a): (i) Shares tendered (either actually or by attestation) by the Participant or withheld by the Company in payment of the exercise price of a stock option issued under this Plan or the Prior Plan, (ii) Shares tendered (either actually or by attestation) by the Participant or withheld by the Company to satisfy any tax withholding obligation with respect to an award under this Plan or the Prior Plan, (iii) Shares repurchased by the Company with proceeds received from the exercise of a stock option issued under this Plan or the Prior Plan, and (iv) Shares subject to a stock appreciation right award issued under this Plan or the Prior Plan that are not issued in connection with the stock settlement of that award upon its exercise.
- (c) <u>Counting Shares Again Available</u>. Each Share that again becomes available for Awards as provided in Section 4(b) shall correspondingly increase the share reserve under Section 4(a), with such increase based on the same share ratio by which the applicable share reserve was decreased upon the grant of the applicable award.
- (d) <u>Effect of Plans Operated by Acquired Companies</u>. If a company acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary or with which the Company or any Subsidiary combines has shares available under a pre-existing plan approved by shareholders and not adopted in contemplation of such acquisition or combination, the shares available for grant pursuant to the terms of such pre-existing plan (as adjusted, to the extent appropriate, using the exchange ratio or other

adjustment or valuation ratio or formula used in such acquisition or combination to determine the consideration payable to the holders of common stock of the entities party to such acquisition or combination) may be used for Awards under the Plan and shall supplement the Share reserve under Section 4(a). Awards using such available shares shall not be made after the date awards or grants could have been made under the terms of the pre-existing plan absent the acquisition or combination, and shall only be made to individuals who were not Employees or Non-Employee Directors prior to such acquisition or combination.

- (e) <u>No Fractional Shares</u>. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, the number of Shares subject to an Award shall always be a whole number. No fractional Shares may be issued under the Plan, but the Committee may, in its discretion, adopt any rounding convention it deems suitable or pay cash in lieu of any fractional Share in settlement of an Award.
- **5.** <u>Eligibility</u>. Participation in the Plan is limited to Service Providers. Incentive Stock Options may only be granted to Employees.

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6. General Terms of Awards.

- (a) <u>Award Agreement</u>. Each Award shall be evidenced by an Agreement setting forth the amount of the Award together with such other terms and conditions applicable to the Award (and not inconsistent with the Plan) as determined by the Committee. An Award to a Participant may be made singly or in combination with any form of Award. Two types of Awards may be made in tandem with each other such that the exercise of one type of Award with respect to a number of Shares reduces the number of Shares subject to the related Award by at least an equal amount.
- (b) <u>Vesting and Term</u>. Each Agreement shall set forth the period until the applicable Award is scheduled to vest and, if applicable, expire (which shall not be more than ten years from the Grant Date), and the applicable vesting conditions and any applicable performance period. The Committee may provide in an Agreement for such vesting conditions and timing as it may determine.
- (c) <u>Transferability</u>. Except as provided in this Section 6(c), (i) during the lifetime of a Participant, only the Participant or the Participant s guardian or legal representative may exercise an Option or SAR, or receive payment with respect to any other Award; and (ii) no Award may be sold, assigned, transferred, exchanged or encumbered, voluntarily or involuntarily, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution. Any attempted transfer in violation of this Section 6(c) shall be of no effect. The Committee may, however, provide in an Agreement or otherwise that an Award (other than an Incentive Stock Option) may be transferred pursuant to a domestic relations order or may be transferable by gift to any family member (as defined in General Instruction A.1(a)(5) to Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933) of the Participant. Any Award held by a transferee shall continue to be subject to the same terms and conditions that were applicable to that Award immediately before the transfer thereof. For purposes of any provision of the Plan relating to notice to a Participant or to acceleration or termination of an Award upon the death or termination of Service of a Participant, the references to Participant shall mean the original grantee of an Award and not any transferee.
- (d) <u>Designation of Beneficiary</u>. To the extent permitted by the Committee, a Participant may designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries to exercise any Award or receive a payment under any Award that is exercisable or payable on or after the Participant s death. Any such designation shall be on a form approved by the Company and shall be effective upon its receipt by the Company.
- (e) <u>Termination of Service</u>. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable Agreement or another then-effective written agreement between a Participant and the Company, and subject to Section 12 of this Plan, if a Participant s Service with the Company and all of its Affiliates terminates, the following provisions shall apply (in all cases subject to the scheduled expiration of an Option or SAR Award, as applicable):
- (1) Upon termination of Service for Cause, or upon conduct during a post-termination exercise period that would constitute Cause, all unexercised Option and SAR Awards and all unvested portions of any other outstanding Awards shall be immediately forfeited without consideration.
- (2) Upon termination of Service for any other reason, all unvested and unexercisable portions of any outstanding Awards shall be immediately forfeited without consideration.
- (3) Upon termination of Service for any reason other than Cause, death or Disability, the currently vested and exercisable portions of Option and SAR Awards may be exercised for a period of three months after the date of such termination. However, if a Participant thereafter dies during such three-month period, the vested and exercisable portions of the Option and SAR Awards may be exercised for a period of six months after the date of such termination.

- (4) Upon termination of Service due to death or Disability, the currently vested and exercisable portions of Option and SAR Awards may be exercised for a period of six months after the date of such termination.
- (f) <u>Rights as Shareholder</u>. No Participant shall have any rights as a shareholder with respect to any Shares covered by an Award unless and until the date the Participant becomes the holder of record of the Shares, if any, to which the Award relates.
- (g) <u>Performance-Based Awards</u>. Any Award may be granted as a performance-based Award if the Committee establishes one or more measures of corporate, business unit or individual performance which must be attained, and the performance period over which the specified performance is to be attained, as a condition to the grant, vesting, exercisability, lapse of restrictions and/or settlement in cash or Shares of such Award. In connection with any such Award, the Committee shall determine the extent to which performance measures have been attained and other applicable terms and conditions have been satisfied, and the degree to which the grant, vesting, exercisability, lapse of restrictions and/or settlement of such Award has been earned. The Committee shall also have the authority to provide, in an Agreement or otherwise, for the modification of a performance period and/or adjustments to or waivers of the achievement of performance goals under specified circumstances such as (i) the occurrence of events that are unusual in nature or infrequently occurring, such as a Change in Control, an equity

restructuring (as described in Section 12(a)), acquisitions, divestitures, restructuring activities, recapitalizations, or asset write-downs, (ii) a change in applicable tax laws or accounting principles, or (iii) the Participant s death or Disability.

- (h) <u>Dividends and Dividend Equivalents</u>. No dividends, dividend equivalents or distributions will be paid with respect to Shares subject to an Option or SAR Award. Any dividends or distributions payable with respect to Shares that are subject to the unvested portion of a Restricted Stock Award will be subject to the same restrictions and risk of forfeiture as the Shares to which such dividends or distributions relate. In its discretion, the Committee may provide in an Award Agreement for a Stock Unit Award or an Other Stock-Based Award that the Participant will be entitled to receive dividend equivalents, based on dividends actually declared and paid on outstanding Shares, on the units or other Share equivalents subject to the Stock Unit Award or Other Stock-Based Award, and such dividend equivalents will be subject to the same restrictions and risk of forfeiture as the units or other Share equivalents to which such dividend equivalents relate. The additional terms of any such dividend equivalents will be as set forth in the applicable Agreement, including the time and form of payment and whether such dividend equivalents will be credited with interest or deemed to be reinvested in additional units or Share equivalents. Any Shares issued or issuable during the term of this Plan as the result of the reinvestment of dividends or the deemed reinvestment of dividend equivalents in connection with an Award or a Prior Plan Award shall be counted against, and replenish upon any subsequent forfeiture, the Plan s share reserve as provided in Section 4.
- (i) <u>Deferrals of Full Value Awards</u>. The Committee may, in its discretion, permit or require the deferral by a Participant of the issuance of Shares or payment of cash in settlement of any Full Value Award, subject to such terms, conditions, rules and procedures as it may establish or prescribe for such purpose and with the intention of complying with the applicable requirements of Code Section 409A. The terms, conditions, rules and procedures for any such deferral shall be set forth in writing in the relevant Agreement or in such other agreement, plan or document as the Committee may determine, or some combination of such documents. The terms, conditions, rules and procedures for any such deferral shall address, to the extent relevant, matters such as: (i) the amount of compensation that may or must be deferred (or the method for calculating the amount); (ii) the permissible time(s) and form(s) of payment of deferred amounts; (iii) the terms and conditions of any deferral elections by a Participant or of any deferral required by the Company; and (iv) the crediting of interest or dividend equivalents on deferred amounts.

7. Stock Option Awards.

- (a) <u>Type and Exercise Price</u>. The Agreement pursuant to which an Option Award is granted shall specify whether the Option is an Incentive Stock Option or a Non-Qualified Stock Option. The exercise price at which each Share subject to an Option Award may be purchased shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the Agreement, and shall not be less than the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Grant Date, except in the case of Substitute Awards (to the extent consistent with Code Section 409A and, in the case of Incentive Stock Options, Code Section 424).
- (b) <u>Payment of Exercise Price</u>. The purchase price of the Shares with respect to which an Option Award is exercised shall be payable in full at the time of exercise. The purchase price may be paid in cash or in such other manner as the Committee may permit, including by payment under a broker-assisted sale and remittance program, by withholding Shares otherwise issuable to the Participant upon exercise of the Option or by delivery to the Company of Shares (by actual delivery or attestation) already owned by the Participant (in either case, such Shares having a Fair Market Value as of the date the Option is exercised equal to the purchase price of the Shares being purchased).
- (c) <u>Exercisability and Expiration</u>. Each Option Award shall be exercisable in whole or in part on the terms provided in the Agreement. No Option Award shall be exercisable at any time after its scheduled expiration. When an Option Award is no longer exercisable, it shall be deemed to have terminated.
- (d) Incentive Stock Options.

- (1) An Option Award will constitute an Incentive Stock Option Award only if the Participant receiving the Option Award is an Employee, and only to the extent that (i) it is so designated in the applicable Agreement and (ii) the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined as of the Option Award's Grant Date) of the Shares with respect to which Incentive Stock Option Awards held by the Participant first become exercisable in any calendar year (under the Plan and all other plans of the Company and its Affiliates) does not exceed \$100,000 or such other amount specified by the Code. To the extent an Option Award granted to a Participant exceeds this limit, the Option Award shall be treated as a Non-Qualified Stock Option Award. The maximum number of Shares that may be issued upon the exercise of Incentive Stock Option Awards under the Plan shall be the number specified in the first sentence of Section 4(a), subject to adjustment as provided in Section 12(a).
- (2) No Participant may receive an Incentive Stock Option Award under the Plan if, immediately after the grant of such Award, the Participant would own (after application of the rules contained in Code Section 424(d)) Shares possessing more than 10% of the total combined Voting Power of all classes of stock of the Company or an Affiliate, unless (i) the per Share exercise

price for such Award is at least 110% of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Grant Date and (ii) such Award will expire no later than five years after its Grant Date.

- (3) For purposes of continued Service by a Participant who has been granted an Incentive Stock Option Award, no approved leave of absence may exceed three months unless reemployment upon expiration of such leave is provided by statute or contract. If reemployment is not so provided, then on the date six months following the first day of such leave, any Incentive Stock Option held by the Participant shall cease to be treated as an Incentive Stock Option and shall be treated for tax purposes as a Non-Qualified Stock Option.
- (4) If an Incentive Stock Option Award is exercised after the expiration of the exercise periods that apply for purposes of Code Section 422, such Option shall thereafter be treated as a Non-Qualified Stock Option.
- (5) The Agreement covering an Incentive Stock Option Award shall contain such other terms and provisions that the Committee determines necessary to qualify the Option Award as an Incentive Stock Option Award.

8. Stock Appreciation Right Awards.

- (a) Nature of Award. An Award of Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions as are determined by the Committee, and shall provide a Participant the right to receive upon exercise of the SAR Award all or a portion of the excess of (i) the Fair Market Value as of the date of exercise of the SAR Award of the number of Shares as to which the SAR Award is being exercised, over (ii) the aggregate exercise price for such number of Shares. The per Share exercise price for any SAR Award shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the applicable Agreement, and shall not be less than the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Grant Date, except in the case of Substitute Awards (to the extent consistent with Code Section 409A).
- (b) Exercise of SAR. Each SAR Award may be exercisable in whole or in part at the times, on the terms and in the manner provided in the Agreement. No SAR Award shall be exercisable at any time after its scheduled expiration. When a SAR Award is no longer exercisable, it shall be deemed to have terminated. Upon exercise of a SAR Award, payment to the Participant shall be made at such time or times as shall be provided in the Agreement in the form of cash, Shares or a combination of cash and Shares as determined by the Committee. The Agreement may provide for a limitation upon the amount or percentage of the total appreciation on which payment (whether in cash and/or Shares) may be made in the event of the exercise of a SAR Award.

9. Restricted Stock Awards.

- (a) <u>Vesting and Consideration</u>. Shares subject to a Restricted Stock Award shall be subject to vesting and the lapse of applicable restrictions based on such conditions or factors and occurring over such period of time as the Committee may determine in its discretion. The Committee may provide whether any consideration other than Services must be received by the Company or any Affiliate as a condition precedent to the grant of a Restricted Stock Award, and may correspondingly provide for Company reacquisition or repurchase rights if such additional consideration has been required and some or all of a Restricted Stock Award does not vest.
- (b) <u>Shares Subject to Restricted Stock Awards</u>. Unvested Shares subject to a Restricted Stock Award shall be evidenced by a book-entry in the name of the Participant with the Company s transfer agent or by one or more Stock certificates issued in the name of the Participant. Any such Stock certificate shall be deposited with the Company or its designee, together with an assignment separate from the certificate, in blank, signed by the Participant, and bear an appropriate legend referring to the restricted nature of the Restricted Stock evidenced thereby. Any book-entry shall be subject to comparable restrictions and corresponding stop transfer instructions. Upon the vesting of Shares of Restricted Stock, and the Company s determination that any necessary conditions precedent to the release of vested Shares (such as satisfaction of tax withholding obligations and compliance with applicable legal requirements) have

been satisfied, such vested Shares shall be made available to the Participant in such manner as may be prescribed or permitted by the Committee. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or an applicable Agreement, a Participant with a Restricted Stock Award shall have all the rights of a shareholder, including the right to vote the Shares of Restricted Stock.

10. Stock Unit Awards.

(a) <u>Vesting and Consideration</u>. A Stock Unit Award shall be subject to vesting and the lapse of applicable restrictions based on such conditions or factors and occurring over such period of time as the Committee may determine in its discretion. If vesting of a Stock Unit Award is conditioned on the achievement of specified performance goals, the extent to which they are achieved over the specified performance period shall determine the number of Stock Units that will be earned and eligible to vest, which may be greater or less than the target number of Stock Units stated in the Agreement. The Committee may provide whether any consideration other than Services must be received by the Company or any Affiliate as a condition precedent to the settlement of a Stock Unit Award.

- (b) <u>Settlement of Award</u>. Following the vesting of a Stock Unit Award, and the Company s determination that any necessary conditions precedent to the settlement of the Award (such as satisfaction of tax withholding obligations and compliance with applicable legal requirements) have been satisfied, settlement of the Award and payment to the Participant shall be made at such time or times in the form of cash, Shares (which may themselves be considered Restricted Stock under the Plan) or a combination of cash and Shares as determined by the Committee.
- 11. Other Stock-Based Awards. The Committee may from time to time grant Shares and other Awards that are valued by reference to and/or payable in whole or in part in Shares under the Plan. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions of such Awards, which shall be consistent with the terms and purposes of the Plan. The Committee may direct the Company to issue Shares subject to restrictive legends and/or stop transfer instructions that are consistent with the terms and conditions of the Award to which the Shares relate.

12. Changes in Capitalization, Corporate Transactions, Change in Control.

- (a) Adjustments for Changes in Capitalization. In the event of any equity restructuring (within the meaning of FASB ASC Topic 718) that causes the per share value of Shares to change, such as a stock dividend, stock split, spinoff, rights offering or recapitalization through an extraordinary dividend, the Committee shall make such adjustments as it deems equitable and appropriate to (i) the aggregate number and kind of Shares or other securities issued or reserved for issuance under the Plan, (ii) the number and kind of Shares or other securities subject to outstanding Awards, (iii) the exercise price of outstanding Options and SARs, and (iv) any maximum limitations prescribed by the Plan with respect to certain types of Awards or the grants to individuals of certain types of Awards. In the event of any other change in corporate capitalization, including a merger, consolidation, reorganization, or partial or complete liquidation of the Company, such equitable adjustments described in the foregoing sentence may be made as determined to be appropriate and equitable by the Committee to prevent dilution or enlargement of rights of Participants. In either case, any such adjustment shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes of the Plan. No adjustment shall be made pursuant to this Section 12(a) in connection with the conversion of any convertible securities of the Company, or in a manner that would cause Incentive Stock Options to violate Section 422(b) of the Code or cause an Award to be subject to adverse tax consequences under Section 409A of the Code.
- (b) <u>Change in Control Consequences.</u> Unless otherwise provided in an applicable Agreement or another written agreement between a Participant and the Company, in the event of a Change in Control, the Board or the Committee may take one or more of the following actions with respect to outstanding Awards, which actions may vary among individual Participants and among Awards held by an individual Participant, and are conditioned in each case upon the closing or completion of the Change in Control:
- (1) Provide for the continuance by the Company, or the assumption or replacement by the surviving or successor corporation (or its Parent) in the Change in Control, of Awards that were outstanding as of the date of the Change in Control. For purposes of this paragraph 12(b)(1), an Award shall be considered assumed or replaced if, in connection with the Change in Control and in a manner consistent with Code Section 409A (and Code Section 424 if the Award is an ISO), either (i) the contractual obligations represented by the Award are expressly assumed by the surviving or successor entity (or its Parent) with appropriate adjustments to the number and type of securities subject to the Award and the exercise price thereof that preserves the intrinsic value of the Award existing at the time of the Change in Control, or (ii) the Participant has received a comparable award that preserves the intrinsic value of the Award existing at the time of the Change in Control and is subject to substantially similar terms and conditions as the Award.
- (2) Equitably accelerate (i) the vesting and exercisability of any outstanding Option and SAR Awards and (ii) the vesting and corresponding lapse of forfeiture conditions and other restrictions on any other outstanding Awards. In the case of a performance-based Award, the amount of the Award subject to such accelerated vesting shall (i) be based on a determination by the Board or Committee of the degree to which any performance-based vesting or payment conditions have been satisfied prior to the Change in Control, or (ii) if such a determination is not practicable, be

based on an assumed target level of performance over the performance period. The Board or Committee may, in its discretion, pro rate the portion of an Award subject to accelerated vesting based on the portion of the performance or vesting period that has elapsed prior to the Change in Control. The Board or Committee shall provide written notice of the period of accelerated exercisability of Option and SAR Awards to all affected Participants.

- (3) Terminate this Plan, cancel outstanding Option and SAR Awards not exercised prior to a date specified by the Board or Committee (which date shall give Participants a reasonable period of time in which to exercise the Option or SAR Awards prior to the effectiveness of such Change in Control), and cancel any other outstanding Awards that have not vested and for which the forfeiture conditions have not lapsed.
- (4) Provide for the cancellation of any outstanding Option or SAR Award in exchange for a cash payment to the Participant holding such Award in an amount equal to the difference, if any, between (i) the fair market value (as determined in

good faith by the Committee) of the consideration that would otherwise be received in the Change in Control transaction for the number of Shares subject to the Award as of the effective date of such Change in Control, or, if no consideration is to be received by holders of Shares in the Change in Control transaction, the Fair Market Value of such number of Shares on the date immediately preceding the effective date of the Change in Control, and (ii) the aggregate exercise price of the Shares subject to such Award. If the amount determined pursuant to the preceding sentence is not a positive number with respect to any Award, such Award may be canceled without payment of any kind to the affected Participant.

- (5) Provide for the cancellation of any outstanding Full Value Award in exchange for a cash payment to the Participant holding such Award in an amount equal to the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Committee) of the consideration that would otherwise be received in the Change in Control transaction for the number of Shares subject to the Award as of the effective date of such Change in Control, or, if no consideration is to be received by holders of Shares in the Change in Control transaction, the Fair Market Value of such number of Shares on the date immediately preceding the effective date of the Change in Control. In the case of a performance-based Full Value Award, the number of Shares subject to such Award for purposes of this Section 12(b)(5) shall be determined in the manner specified in the second sentence of Section 12(b)(2).
- (6) Payment of any amount under Section 12(b)(4) or 12(b)(5) shall be made in such form, on such terms and subject to such conditions as the Committee determines in its discretion, which may or may not be the same as the form, terms and conditions applicable to payments to the Company s shareholders in connection with the Change in Control transaction, and may, in the Committee s discretion, include subjecting such payments to vesting conditions comparable to those of the Award canceled, subjecting such payments to escrow or holdback terms comparable to those imposed upon the Company s shareholders under the Change in Control transaction, or calculating and paying the present value of payments that would otherwise be subject to escrow or holdback terms. The Board or Committee may, in lieu of such cash payments, distribute to such Participant Shares or shares of stock of any corporation succeeding the Company by reason of such Change in Control, such shares having a Fair Market Value as of the date immediately preceding the effective date of such Change in Control equal to the amount of the cash payment provided for in Section 12(b)(4) or 12(b)(5), as applicable.

The grant of an Award pursuant to the Plan shall not limit in any way the right or power of the Company to make adjustments, reclassifications, reorganizations or changes of its capital or business structure or to merge, exchange or consolidate or to dissolve, liquidate, sell or transfer all or any part of its business or assets.

- (c) <u>Dissolution or Liquidation</u>. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable Agreement, in the event of a proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Committee will notify each Participant as soon as practicable prior to the effective date of such proposed transaction. An Award will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed action.
- 13. Plan Participation and Service Provider Status. Status as a Service Provider shall not be construed as a commitment that any Award will be made under the Plan to that Service Provider or to eligible Service Providers generally. Nothing in the Plan or in any Agreement or related documents shall confer upon any Service Provider or Participant any right to continued Service with the Company or any Affiliate, nor shall it interfere with or limit in any way any right of the Company or any Affiliate to terminate the person s Service at any time with or without Cause or change such person s compensation, other benefits, job responsibilities or title.
- **14.** Tax Withholding. The Company or any Affiliate, as applicable, shall have the right to (i) withhold from any cash payment under the Plan or any other compensation owed to a Participant an amount sufficient to cover any required withholding taxes related to the grant, vesting, exercise or settlement of an Award, and (ii) require a Participant or other person receiving Shares under the Plan to pay a cash amount sufficient to cover any required withholding taxes before actual receipt of those Shares. In lieu of all or any part of a cash payment from a person receiving Shares under

the Plan, the Committee may permit the Participant to satisfy all or any part of the required tax withholding obligations (but not to exceed the maximum individual statutory tax rate in each applicable jurisdiction) by authorizing the Company to withhold a number of the Shares that would otherwise be delivered to the Participant pursuant to the Award, or by transferring to the Company Shares already owned by the Participant, with the Shares so withheld or delivered having a Fair Market Value on the date the taxes are required to be withheld equal to the amount of taxes to be withheld.

15. Effective Date, Duration, Amendment and Termination of the Plan.

- (a) <u>Effective Date</u>. The Plan shall become effective on the date it is approved by the Company s shareholders, which shall be considered the date of its adoption for purposes of Treasury Regulation §1.422-2(b)(2)(i). No Awards shall be made under the Plan prior to its effective date. If the Company s shareholders fail to approve the Plan by December 17, 2019, the Plan will be of no further force or effect.
- (b) <u>Duration of the Plan</u>. The Plan shall remain in effect until all Shares subject to it are distributed, all Awards have expired or terminated, the Plan is terminated pursuant to Section 15(c), or the tenth anniversary of the effective date of the Plan,

whichever occurs first (the Termination Date). Awards made before the Termination Date shall continue to be outstanding in accordance with their terms and the terms of the Plan unless otherwise provided in the applicable Agreements.

- (c) <u>Amendment and Termination of the Plan</u>. The Board may at any time terminate, suspend or amend the Plan. The Company shall submit any amendment of the Plan to its shareholders for approval only to the extent required by applicable laws or regulations or the rules of any securities exchange on which the Shares may then be listed. No termination, suspension, or amendment of the Plan may materially impair the rights of any Participant under a previously granted Award without the Participant s consent, unless such action is necessary to comply with applicable law or stock exchange rules.
- (d) <u>Amendment of Awards</u>. Subject to Section 15(e), the Committee may unilaterally amend the terms of any Agreement evidencing an Award previously granted, except that no such amendment may materially impair the rights of any Participant under the applicable Award without the Participant s consent, unless such amendment is necessary to comply with applicable law or stock exchange rules or any compensation recovery policy as provided in Section 16(i).
- (e) No Option or SAR Repricing. Except as provided in Section 12(a), no Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award granted under the Plan may be (i) amended to decrease the exercise price thereof, (ii) cancelled in conjunction with the grant of any new Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award with a lower exercise price, (iii) cancelled in exchange for cash, other property or the grant of any Full Value Award at a time when the per share exercise price of the Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award is greater than the current Fair Market Value of a Share, or (iv) otherwise subject to any action that would be treated under accounting rules as a repricing of such Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award, unless such action is first approved by the Company s shareholders.

16. Other Provisions.

- (a) <u>Unfunded Plan</u>. The Plan shall be unfunded and the Company shall not be required to segregate any assets that may at any time be represented by Awards under the Plan. Neither the Company, its Affiliates, the Committee, nor the Board shall be deemed to be a trustee of any amounts to be paid under the Plan nor shall anything contained in the Plan or any action taken pursuant to its provisions create or be construed to create a fiduciary relationship between the Company and/or its Affiliates, and a Participant. To the extent any person has or acquires a right to receive a payment in connection with an Award under the Plan, this right shall be no greater than the right of an unsecured general creditor of the Company.
- (b) <u>Limits of Liability</u>. Except as may be required by law, neither the Company nor any member of the Board or of the Committee, nor any other person participating (including participation pursuant to a delegation of authority under Section 3(d) of the Plan) in any determination of any question under the Plan, or in the interpretation, administration or application of the Plan, shall have any liability to any party for any action taken, or not taken, in good faith under the Plan.
- (c) <u>Compliance with Applicable Legal Requirements and Company Policies</u>. No Shares distributable pursuant to the Plan shall be issued and delivered unless and until the issuance of the Shares complies with all applicable legal requirements, including compliance with the provisions of applicable state and federal securities laws, and the requirements of any securities exchanges on which the Shares may, at the time, be listed. During any period in which the offering and issuance of Shares under the Plan is not registered under federal or state securities laws, Participants shall acknowledge that they are acquiring Shares under the Plan for investment purposes and not for resale, and that Shares may not be transferred except pursuant to an effective registration statement under, or an exemption from the registration requirements of, such securities laws. Any stock certificate or book-entry evidencing Shares issued under the Plan that are subject to securities law restrictions shall bear or be accompanied by an appropriate restrictive legend

or stop transfer instruction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, the acquisition, holding or disposition of Shares acquired pursuant to the Plan shall in all events be subject to compliance with applicable Company policies, including those relating to insider trading, pledging or hedging transactions, minimum post-vesting holding periods and stock ownership guidelines, and to forfeiture or recovery of compensation as provided in Section 16(i).

- (d) Other Benefit and Compensation Programs. Payments and other benefits received by a Participant under an Award made pursuant to the Plan shall not be deemed a part of a Participant s regular, recurring compensation for purposes of the termination, indemnity or severance pay laws of any country and shall not be included in, nor have any effect on, the determination of benefits under any other employee benefit plan, contract or similar arrangement provided by the Company or an Affiliate unless expressly so provided by such other plan, contract or arrangement, or unless the Committee expressly determines that an Award or portion of an Award should be included to accurately reflect competitive compensation practices or to recognize that an Award has been made in lieu of a portion of competitive cash compensation.
- (e) <u>Governing Law</u>. To the extent that federal laws do not otherwise control, the Plan and all determinations made and actions taken pursuant to the Plan shall be governed by the laws of the State of Minnesota without regard to its conflicts-of-law principles and shall be construed accordingly.

- (f) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of the Plan shall be held illegal or invalid for any reason, the illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining parts of the Plan, and the Plan shall be construed and enforced as if the illegal or invalid provision had not been included.
- (g) <u>Code Section 409A</u>. It is intended that (i) all Awards of Options, SARs and Restricted Stock under the Plan will not provide for the deferral of compensation within the meaning of Code Section 409A and thereby be exempt from Code Section 409A, and (ii) all other Awards under the Plan will either not provide for the deferral of compensation within the meaning of Code Section 409A, or will comply with the requirements of Code Section 409A, and Awards shall be structured and the Plan administered and interpreted in accordance with this intent. The Plan and any Agreement may be unilaterally amended by the Company in any manner deemed necessary or advisable by the Committee or Board in order to maintain such exemption from or compliance with Code Section 409A, and any such amendment shall conclusively be presumed to be necessary to comply with applicable law. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or any Agreement, with respect to any Award that constitutes a deferral of compensation subject to Code Section 409A:
- (1) If any amount is payable under such Award upon a termination of Service, a termination of Service will be deemed to have occurred only at such time as the Participant has experienced a separation from service as such term is defined for purposes of Code Section 409A;
- (2) If any amount shall be payable with respect to any such Award as a result of a Participant s separation from service at such time as the Participant is a specified employee within the meaning of Code Section 409A, then no payment shall be made, except as permitted under Code Section 409A, prior to the first business day after the earlier of (i) the date that is six months after the Participant s separation from service or (ii) the Participant s death. Unless the Committee has adopted a specified employee identification policy as contemplated by Code Section 409A, specified employees will be identified in accordance with the default provisions specified under Code Section 409A.

None of the Company, the Board, the Committee nor any other person involved with the administration of this Plan shall (i) in any way be responsible for ensuring the exemption of any Award from, or compliance by any Award with, the requirements of Code Section 409A, (ii) have any obligation to design or administer the Plan or Awards granted thereunder in a manner that minimizes a Participant s tax liabilities, including the avoidance of any additional tax liabilities under Code Section 409A, and (iii) shall have any liability to any Participant for any such tax liabilities.

(h) <u>Rule 16b-3</u>. It is intended that the Plan and all Awards granted pursuant to it shall be administered by the Committee so as to permit the Plan and Awards to comply with Exchange Act Rule 16b-3. If any provision of the Plan or of any Award would otherwise frustrate or conflict with the intent expressed in this Section 16(h), that provision to the extent possible shall be interpreted and deemed amended in the manner determined by the Committee so as to avoid the conflict. To the extent of any remaining irreconcilable conflict with this intent, the provision shall be deemed void as applied to Participants subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act to the extent permitted by law and in the manner deemed advisable by the Committee.

(i) Forfeiture and Compensation Recovery.

(1) The Committee may specify in an Agreement that the Participant s rights, payments, and benefits with respect to an Award will be subject to reduction, cancellation, forfeiture or recovery by the Company upon the occurrence of certain specified events, in addition to any otherwise applicable vesting or performance conditions of an Award. Such events may include termination of Service for Cause; violation of any material Company or Affiliate policy; breach of noncompetition, non-solicitation or confidentiality provisions that apply to the Participant; a determination that the payment of the Award was based on an incorrect determination that financial or other criteria were met or other conduct by the Participant that is detrimental to the business or reputation of the Company or its Affiliates.

(2) Awards and any compensation associated therewith may be made subject to forfeiture, recovery by the Company or other action pursuant to any compensation recovery policy adopted by the Board or the Committee at any time, including in response to the requirements of Section 10D of the Exchange Act and any implementing rules and regulations thereunder, or as otherwise required by law. Any Agreement may be unilaterally amended by the Committee to comply with any such compensation recovery policy.

VOTE BY INTERNET

Before The Meeting - Go to www.proxyvote.com

SURMODICS, INC.

9924 WEST 74TH STREET

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344-3523

Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

During The Meeting - Go to www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/SRDX19

You may attend the Meeting via the Internet and vote during the Meeting. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow available and follow the instructions.

VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions up until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you call and then follow the instructions.

VOTE BY MAIL

Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

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SURMODICS, INC.

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The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

vote for any individual nominee(s), mark For All Except and write the number(s) of the nominee(s) on the line below.

1. Election of Directors

Nominees:

- 01) Ronald B. Kalich
- 02) Shawn T McCormick

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals:

For Against Abstain

- 2. Set the number of directors at seven (7);
- 3. Ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as Surmodics independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2019;
- 4. Approve, in a non-binding advisory vote, the Company s executive compensation; and
- 5. Approve the Surmodics, Inc. 2019 Equity Incentive Plan.

NOTE: To consider and act upon such other matters as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the meeting.

Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, or other fiduciary, please give full title as such. Jointly owned shares will be voted as directed unless another owner instructs to the contrary, in which case, the

shares will not be voted. If a corporation or partnership, please sign in full corporate or partnership name by authorized officer.

Signature [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX] Date

Signature (Joint Owners)

Date

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SURMODICS, INC.

Annual Meeting of Shareholders

February 13, 2019 4:00 PM

This proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors

The shareholder(s) hereby appoint(s) Gary R. Maharaj and Timothy J. Arens, or either of them, as proxies, each with the power to appoint his substitute, and hereby authorize(s) them to represent and to vote, as designated on the reverse side of this proxy, all of the shares of common stock of SURMODICS, INC. that the shareholder(s) is/are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at 4:00 PM, CST on February 13, 2019 as a virtual meeting at www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/SRDX19, and any adjournment or postponement thereof.

This proxy, when properly executed, will be voted in the manner directed herein. If no such direction is made, this proxy will be voted in accordance with the Board of Directors recommendations.

Continued and to be signed on reverse side