UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 17, 2021 (February 10, 2021)

Bioventus Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-37844 (Commission File Number) 81-0980861 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

4721 Emperor Boulevard, Suite 100
Durham, North Carolina 27703
(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (919) 474-6700

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

In connection with the initial public offering (the "*Offering*") by Bioventus Inc. (the "*Company*") of its Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 (the "*Common Stock*"), described in the prospectus (the "*Prospectus*"), dated February 10, 2021, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "*Securities Act*"), which is deemed to be part of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-252238) (as amended, the "*Registration Statement*"), the following agreements were entered into:

- the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*LLC*"), dated February 16, 2021, by and among the Company and its Members (as defined therein) (the "*A&R LLCA*");
- the Tax Receivable Agreement, dated February 16, 2021, by and among the Company, the LLC and its Members (as defined therein);
- the Registration Rights Agreement, dated February 16, 2021, by and among the Company and the Original LLC Owners (as defined therein); and
- the Stockholders Agreement, dated February 16, 2021, by and among the Company, the LLC and the Principal Stockholders (as defined therein).

The A&R LLCA, Tax Receivable Agreement, Registration Rights Agreement and Stockholders Agreement are filed herewith as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference. The terms of these agreements are substantially the same as the terms set forth in the forms of such agreements previously filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement and as described therein. Certain parties to certain of these agreements have various relationships with the Company. For further information, see "Certain relationships and related party transactions" in the Prospectus.

Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

Simultaneously with the consummation of the Offering, the Company issued (i) 15,786,737 shares of Class B common stock of the Company, par value \$0.001 per share, to Smith & Nephew, Inc., a wholly-owned indirect U.S. subsidiary of Smith & Nephew plc, a United Kingdom public company, on a one-to-one basis equal to the number of common membership interests of Bioventus LLC it owns, in exchange for \$15,786.74 and (ii) 31,838,589 shares of Class A common stock of the Company, par value \$0.001 per share, to the former owners of Bioventus LLC, including EW Healthcare Partners and Smith & Nephew (Europe) B.V., in exchange for their indirect ownership interests in Bioventus LLC (the "Exchange").

No underwriters were involved in the issuance and sale of the shares of Class B common stock or the issuance of shares of Class A common stock pursuant to the Exchange. The shares of Class B common stock were issued in reliance upon an exemption from registration pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act on the basis that the transaction did not involve a public offering and the shares of Class A common stock were issued in reliance upon the exemption from registration afforded by Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act.

Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

The information set forth under Item 5.03 below is incorporated by reference in this Item 3.03.

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On February 10, 2021, the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "*Charter*"), in the form previously filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Registration Statement, and the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws (the "*Bylaws*"), in the form previously filed as Exhibit 3.4 to the Registration Statement, became effective. The Charter, among other things, provides that the Company's authorized capital stock consists of 250,000,000 shares of Class A common stock, 50,000,000 shares of Class B common stock and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock. A description of the Company's capital stock, after giving effect to the adoption of the Charter and Bylaws, has previously been reported by the Company in the Registration Statement. The Charter and Bylaws are filed herewith as Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 16, 2021, the Company completed the Offering of 9,200,000 shares of its Class A common stock at a price to the public of \$13.00 per share, which includes the exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase an additional 1,200,000 shares of the Company's Class A common stock. The gross proceeds to the Company from the initial public offering were \$119.6 million, before deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by the Company.

(d) Exhibits.	
Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Bioventus Inc.
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Bioventus Inc.
10.1	Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Bioventus LLC, dated as of February 16, 2021
10.2	Tax Receivable Agreement, dated as of February 16, 2021, by and among Bioventus Inc., Bioventus LLC and its Members
10.3	Registration Rights Agreement, dated February 16, 2021, by and among Bioventus Inc. and the Original LLC Owners
10.4	Stockholders Agreement, dated February 16, 2021, by and among Bioventus Inc., Bioventus LLC and the Principal Stockholders

Item 9.01

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 16, 2021

BIOVENTUS INC.

By: /s/ Anthony D'Adamio

Anthony D'Adamio

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF BIOVENTUS INC.

Bioventus Inc. (the "Corporation"), a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL"), does hereby certify as follows:

- 1. The name of the Corporation is Bioventus Inc. The original certificate of incorporation of the Corporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on December 22, 2015. The name under which the Corporation was originally incorporated was Bioventus Inc.
- 2. This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "<u>Restated Certificate</u>"), which amends, restates and further integrates the certificate of incorporation of the Corporation as heretofore in effect, has been approved and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "<u>Board of Directors</u>") and the stockholders of the Corporation in accordance with Sections 242 and 245 of the DGCL, with the stockholders of the Corporation acting by written consent in accordance with Section 228 of the DGCL.
- 3. The text of the certificate of incorporation of the Corporation, as heretofore amended, is hereby amended and restated by this Restated Certificate to read in its entirety as set forth in <u>EXHIBIT A</u> attached hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Bioventus Inc. has caused this Restated Certificate to be signed by a duly authorized officer of the Corporation, on February 10, 2021.

Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Anthony D'Adamio

Name: Anthony D'Adamio

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary

[Signature Page to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation]

EXHIBIT A

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Bioventus Inc. (the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II

The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is 1209 Orange Street, in the city of Wilmington, County of New Castle, 19801. The name of its registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

ARTICLE III

The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL") as it now exists or may hereafter be amended and supplemented.

ARTICLE IV

The Corporation is authorized to issue three classes of stock to be designated, respectively, "Class A Common Stock", Class B Common Stock and "Preferred Stock." The total number of shares of capital stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 310 million (310,000,000). The total number of shares of all classes of capital stock that the Corporation is authorized to issue is (i) 250 million (250,000,000) shares of Class A common stock, having a par value of \$0.001 per share (the "Class A Common Stock"), (ii) 50 million (50,000,000) shares of Class B common stock, having a par value of \$0.001 per share (the "Class B Common Stock" and, together with the Class A Common Stock, the "Common Stock"), and (iii) 10 million (10,000,000) shares of preferred stock, having a par value of \$0.001 per share (the "Preferred Stock") as of the Effective Time (as defined herein) of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Restated Certificate").

Effective at the Effective Time, each share of common stock of the Corporation issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (the "Original Capital Stock") shall be automatically reclassified as one (1) outstanding share of Class A Common Stock (the "Reclassification" and, such shares, the "Reclassified Shares") without any action on the part of the Corporation or the holder of such shares. The Reclassified Shares shall be uncertificated and any stock certificate that, immediately prior to the Effective Time, represented shares of Original Capital Stock shall upon surrender to the Corporation be cancelled. No shares of Original Capital Stock are held in treasury or are fractions of a share. Immediately upon the issuance of any shares of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock in connection with the consummation of the mergers on or around the date hereof, each of the Reclassified Shares shall automatically, and without further action on the part of the Corporation or the holder thereof, be redeemed for the par value thereof.

ARTICLE V

The designations and the powers, privileges and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof in respect of each class of capital stock of the Corporation are as follows:

A. COMMON STOCK.

- 1. <u>General</u>. The voting, dividend, liquidation, and other rights and powers of the Common Stock are subject to and qualified by the rights, powers and preferences of any series of Preferred Stock as may be designated by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "<u>Board of Directors</u>") and outstanding from time to time.
- 2. <u>Voting</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein or expressly required by law, each holder of Common Stock, as such, shall be entitled to vote on each matter submitted to a vote of stockholders and shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each share of Common Stock held of record by such holder as of the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote on such matter. Except as otherwise required in this Restated Certificate or by applicable law, the holders of Common Stock shall vote together as a single class on all matters (or, if any holders of Preferred Stock are entitled to vote together with the holders of Common Stock, as a single class with such holders of Preferred Stock). Except as otherwise required by law, holders of Common Stock, as such, shall not be entitled to vote on any amendment to this Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation (as defined below)) that relates solely to the rights, powers, preferences (or the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof) or other terms of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock if the holders of such affected series are entitled, either separately or together with the holders of one or more other such series, to vote thereon as a separate class pursuant to this Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation) or pursuant to the DGCL.

Subject to the rights of any holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, the number of authorized shares of Common Stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon, irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the DGCL.

- 3. <u>Dividends</u>. Subject to applicable law and the rights and preferences of any holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock or any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation having a preference over or the right to participate with the Class A Common Stock with respect to the payment of dividends, dividends may be declared and paid on the Class A Common Stock out of the assets of the Corporation that are by law available therefor, at such times and in such amounts as the Board of Directors in its discretion shall determine. Dividends shall not be declared or paid on the Class B Common Stock.
- 4. <u>Liquidation</u>. Subject to applicable law and the rights, if any, of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock or any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation having a preference over or the right to participate with the Class A Common Stock with respect to amounts payable upon a voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, after payment or

provision for payment of the debts and other liabilities of the Corporation and of the preferential and other amounts, if any, to which the holders of Preferred Stock or any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation having a preference over such amounts shall be entitled, the holders of all outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock shall be entitled to receive the remaining assets of the Corporation available for distribution ratably in proportion to the number of shares held by each such stockholder. Without limiting the rights of the holders of Class B Common Stock to have their Common Units (as defined below) redeemed or exchanged in accordance with Article XI of the LLC Agreement (as defined below), the holders of shares of Class B Common Stock shall be entitled to receive \$0.001 per share in any liquidation, dissolution or winding up on a pari passu basis with the holders of Class A Common Stock, and upon receiving such amount, the holders of shares of Class B Common Stock, as such, shall not be entitled to receive any other assets or funds of the Corporation. A consolidation, reorganization or merger of the Corporation with any other person or persons, or a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation, shall not be considered to be a dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the Corporation within the meaning of this Article V(A)(4).

- 5. Additional Shares. From and after the Effective Time, additional shares of Class B Common Stock may be issued only to, and registered in the name of, the Existing Owner (as defined below), its respective successors and assigns as well as its respective transferees permitted in accordance with Article V(A)(§) (including all subsequent successors, assigns and permitted transferees) (the Existing Owner together with such persons, collectively, "Permitted Class B Owners") in accordance with Article VI and the aggregate number of shares of Class B Common Stock following any such issuance registered in the name of each such Permitted Class B Owner must be equal to the aggregate number of Common Units (as defined below) held of record by such Permitted Class B Owner under the LLC Agreement (as defined below). As used in this Restated Certificate (i) "Existing Owner" means Smith & Nephew, Inc., (ii) "Common Unit" means a membership interest in Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, or any successor entities thereto (the "LLC"), to be authorized and issued under its Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement, as such agreement may be further amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time (the "LLC Agreement"), and constituting a "Common Unit" as defined in the LLC Agreement.
- 6. <u>Transfers</u>. A holder of Class B Common Stock may surrender shares of Class B Common Stock to the Corporation for no consideration at any time. Following the surrender of any shares of Class B Common Stock to the Corporation, the Corporation will take all actions necessary to retire such shares and such shares shall not be re-issued by the Corporation. "<u>Transfer</u>" (and, with a correlative meaning, "<u>transferring</u>") means any sale, transfer, assignment, redemption, pledge, encumbrance or other disposition of (whether directly or indirectly, whether with or without consideration and whether voluntarily or involuntarily or by operation of law) (i) any interest (legal or beneficial) in any shares of capital stock of the Corporation or (ii) any equity or other interest (legal or beneficial) in any stockholder if substantially all of the assets of such stockholder consist solely of shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

A holder of Class B Common Stock may transfer shares of Class B Common Stock to any transferee (other than the Corporation) only if, and only to the extent permitted by the LLC

Agreement, such holder also simultaneously transfers an equal number of such holder's Common Units (as such numbers may be adjusted to reflect equitably any stock split, subdivision, combination or similar change with respect to the Class B Common Stock or Common Units) to such transferee in compliance with the LLC Agreement. The transfer restrictions described in this Article V(A)(6) are referred to as the "Restrictions."

Any purported transfer of shares of Class B Common Stock in violation of the Restrictions shall be null and void ab initio. If, notwithstanding the Restrictions, a person shall, voluntarily or involuntarily, purportedly become or attempt to become, the purported owner ("<u>Purported Owner</u>") of shares of Class B Common Stock in violation of the Restrictions, then the Purported Owner shall not obtain any rights in and to such shares of Class B Common Stock (the "<u>Restricted Shares</u>"), and the purported transfer of the Restricted Shares to the Purported Owner shall not be recognized by the Corporation or the Corporation's transfer agent (the "<u>Transfer Agent</u>").

Upon a determination by the Board of Directors that a person has attempted or may attempt to transfer or to acquire Restricted Shares in violation of the Restrictions, the Board of Directors may take such action as it deems advisable to refuse to give effect to such transfer or acquisition on the books and records of the Corporation, including without limitation to cause the Transfer Agent to record the Purported Owner's transferor as the record owner of the Restricted Shares, and to institute proceedings to enjoin or rescind any such transfer or acquisition.

The Board of Directors may, to the extent permitted by law, from time to time establish, modify, amend or rescind, by bylaw or otherwise, regulations and procedures that are consistent with the provisions of this $\underline{\text{Article V(A)(6)}}$ for determining whether any transfer or acquisition of shares of Class B Common Stock would violate the Restrictions and for the orderly application, administration and implementation of the provisions of this $\underline{\text{Article V(A)(6)}}$. Any such procedures and regulations shall be kept on file with the Secretary of the Corporation and with its Transfer Agent and shall be made available for inspection by any prospective transferee and, upon written request, shall be mailed to holders of shares of Class B Common Stock.

The Board of Directors shall have all powers necessary to implement the Restrictions, including without limitation the power to prohibit the transfer of any shares of Class B Common Stock in violation thereof. As used in this <u>Article V(A)(6)</u>, the term "<u>transfer</u>," as it relates to the shares of Class B Common Stock, shall not be deemed to include any *bona fide* pledge or collateralization by a holder thereof to a financial institution in connection with any *bona fide* loan or debt transaction, but such term shall include any foreclosure on such shares by such financial institution following or in connection with any such pledge or collateralization.

7. Redemption and Cancellation. To the extent that any Permitted Class B Owner exercises its right pursuant to the LLC Agreement to have its Common Units redeemed by the LLC in accordance with the LLC Agreement, then simultaneous with the payment of cash or Class A Common Stock consideration to such Permitted Class B Owner by the LLC (in the case of a redemption) or the Corporation (in the case of an election by the Corporation pursuant to the LLC Agreement to effect a direct exchange with such Permitted Class B Owner) in accordance with the LLC Agreement, the Corporation shall cancel for no consideration a number

of shares of Class B Common Stock registered in the name of the redeeming or exchanging Permitted Class B Owner equal to the number of Common Units held by such Permitted Class B Owner that are redeemed or exchanged in such redemption or exchange transaction. Notwithstanding the Restrictions, (i) in the event that any outstanding share of Class B Common Stock shall cease to be held by a registered holder of Common Units, such share of Class B Common Stock shall automatically and without further action on the part of the Corporation or any holder of Class B Common Stock be cancelled for no consideration, and the Corporation will take all actions necessary to retire such share and such share shall not be re-issued by the Corporation, (ii) in the event that any registered holder of the Class B Common Stock no longer holds an interest in the Common Units, the shares of Class B Common Stock registered in the name of such holder shall automatically and without further action on the part of the Corporation or any holder of Class B Common Stock be cancelled for no consideration, and the Corporation will take all actions necessary to retire such shares and such shares shall not be re-issued by the Corporation will take all actions necessary to retire such shares and such shares shall not be re-issued by the Corporation will take all actions necessary to retire such shares and such shares shall not be re-issued by the Corporation.

8. <u>Legends</u>. All certificates or book entries representing shares of Class B Common Stock, as the case may be, shall bear a legend substantially in the following form (or in such other form as the Board of Directors may determine):

THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS [CERTIFICATE][BOOK ENTRY] ARE SUBJECT TO THE RESTRICTIONS (INCLUDING RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER AND OWNERSHIP) SET FORTH IN THE AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION (A COPY OF WHICH IS ON FILE WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE CORPORATION AND SHALL BE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE TO ANY STOCKHOLDER MAKING A REQUEST THEREFOR).

To the extent shares of Class B Common Stock are uncertificated, the Corporation shall give notice of the restrictions set forth herein in accordance with the DGCL.

9. Fractional Shares. The Class B Common Stock may be issued and transferred in fractions of a share which shall entitle the holder to exercise voting rights and to have the benefit of all other rights of holders of Class B Common Stock. Subject to the Restrictions, holders of shares of Class B Common Stock shall be entitled to transfer fractions thereof and the Corporation shall, and shall cause the Transfer Agent to, facilitate any such transfers, including by issuing certificates or making book entries representing any such fractional shares. For all purposes of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including, without limitation, $\frac{Article\ V(A)(2)}{Article\ V(A)(2)}$, $\frac{Article\ V(A)(6)}{Article\ V(A)(6)}$, $\frac{Article\ V(A)(7)}{Article\ V(A)(7)}$, this $\frac{Article\ V(A)(9)}{Article\ V(A)(9)}$, $\frac{Article\ V(A)(B)}{Article\ V(A)(B)}$, $\frac{Article\ V(A)(B)}{Article$

B. PREFERRED STOCK

Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series, each of such series to have such terms as stated or expressed herein and in the resolution or resolutions providing for the creation and issuance of such series adopted by the Board of Directors as hereinafter provided.

Authority is hereby expressly granted to the Board of Directors from time to time, subject to any limitations prescribed by law or that certain stockholders agreement, to be entered into by and among the Corporation, the LLC and the other persons party thereto (as it may be amended from time to time, the "Stockholders Agreement"), to issue the Preferred Stock in one or more series, and in connection with the creation of any such series, by adopting a resolution or resolutions providing for the issuance of the shares thereof and by filing a certificate of designation relating thereto in accordance with the DGCL (a "Certificate of Designation"), to determine and fix the number of shares of such series and such voting powers, full or limited, or no voting powers, and such designations, preferences and relative participating, optional or other special rights, and qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, including without limitation thereof, dividend rights, conversion rights, redemption privileges and liquidation preferences, and to increase or decrease (but not below the number of shares of such series then outstanding) the number of shares of any series as shall be stated and expressed in such resolutions, all to the fullest extent now or hereafter permitted by the DGCL. In case the number of shares of any series shall be so decreased, the shares constituting such decrease shall resume the status which they had prior to the adoption of the resolution originally fixing the number of shares of such series. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the resolution or resolutions providing for the creation and issuance of any series of Preferred Stock may provide that such series shall be superior or rank equally or be junior to any other series of Preferred Stock to the extent permitted by law and this Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation). Except as otherwise required by law, holders of any series of Preferred Stock shall be entitled only to such voting rights, if any, a

Subject to the rights of any holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, the number of authorized shares of Preferred Stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon, irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the DGCL.

ARTICLE VI

A. The Corporation shall undertake all actions, including, without limitation, any subdivision (by any stock split, stock dividend, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) or combination (by reverse stock split, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event), with respect to the shares of Class A Common Stock necessary to maintain at all times a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, disregarding, for purposes of maintaining the one-to-one ratio, (i) shares of Class A Common Stock issued pursuant to the Bioventus Phantom Profits Interest Plan (the "Bioventus Stock Plan"), the 2021 Incentive Award Plan and any other stock incentive plan adopted by the Corporation from time to time, that have not vested

thereunder, (ii) treasury stock, and (iii) Preferred Stock or other debt or equity securities (including without limitation warrants, options and rights) issued by the Corporation that are convertible or exercisable or exchangeable for Class A Common Stock (except to the extent the net proceeds from such other securities, including without limitation any exercise or purchase price payable upon conversion, exercise or exchange thereof, has been contributed by the Corporation to the equity capital of the LLC) (clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), collectively, the "<u>Disregarded Shares</u>").

- B. The Corporation shall undertake all actions, including, without limitation, any subdivision (by any stock split, stock dividend, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) or combination (by reverse stock split, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event), with respect to the shares of Class B Common Stock necessary to maintain at all times a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by all Permitted Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Common Stock owned by all Permitted Class B Owners.
- C. The Corporation shall not undertake or authorize (i) any subdivision (by any stock split, stock dividend, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) or combination (by reverse stock split, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) of the Class A Common Stock that is not accompanied by an identical subdivision or combination of the Common Units to maintain at all times a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, disregarding, for purposes of maintaining such one-to-one ratio, the Disregarded Shares; or (ii) any subdivision (by any stock split, stock dividend, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) or combination (by reverse stock split, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) of the Class B Common Stock that is not accompanied by an identical subdivision or combination of the Common Units to maintain at all times, subject to the provisions of this Restated Certificate, a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by the Permitted Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Common Stock, unless, in the case of clause (i) or (ii) of this Article VI(C), such action is necessary to maintain at all times both a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, disregarding, for purposes of maintaining such one-to-one ratio, the Disregarded Shares, and a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by the Permitted Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Owners and the number of outstanding shares of Class B Owners and the number of outstanding sh
- D. The Corporation shall not issue, transfer or dispose of treasury stock or repurchase shares of Class A Common Stock unless in connection with any such issuance, transfer, disposition or repurchase the Corporation takes or authorizes all requisite action such that, after giving effect to all such issuances, transfers, dispositions or repurchases, the number of Common Units owned by the Corporation will equal on a one-for-one basis the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, disregarding, for purposes of maintaining the one-to-one ratio, the Disregarded Shares.
- E. The Corporation shall not issue, transfer or dispose of treasury stock or repurchase or redeem shares of Preferred Stock unless in connection with any such issuance, transfer,

disposition, repurchase or redemption the Corporation takes all requisite action such that, after giving effect to all such issuances, transfers, dispositions, repurchases or redemptions, the Corporation holds (in the case of any issuance, transfer or disposition) or ceases to hold (in the case of any repurchase or redemption) equity interests in the LLC which (in the good faith determination by the Board of Directors) are in the aggregate substantially equivalent in all respects to the outstanding Preferred Stock so issued, transferred, disposed, repurchased or redeemed.

F. The Corporation shall not consolidate, merge, combine or consummate any other transaction (other than an action or transaction for which an adjustment is provided in one of the preceding paragraphs of this Article VI or in Article V) in which shares of Class A Common Stock are exchanged for or converted into other stock or securities, or the right to receive cash and/or any other property, unless in connection with any such consolidation, merger, combination or other transaction each Common Unit shall be entitled to be exchanged for or converted into (without duplication of any corresponding share of Class A Common Stock which the Corporation may elect to issue upon a redemption of such Common Unit by the holder thereof) the same kind and amount of stock or securities, cash and/or any other property, as the case may be, into which or for which each share of Class A Common Stock is exchanged or converted, in each case to maintain at all times a one-to-one ratio between (x) the stock or securities, or rights to receive cash and/or any other property issuable in such transaction in exchange for or conversion of one share of Class A Common Stock and (y) the stock or securities, or rights to receive cash and/or any other property issuable in such transaction in exchange for or conversion of one Common Unit. The foregoing provisions of this Article VI(F) shall not apply to any action or transaction (including any consolidation, merger or combination) approved by the holders of a majority of the voting power of the Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, each voting as a separate class.

ARTICLE VII

The Corporation shall at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized but unissued shares or other securities the number of shares or securities required to satisfy its obligations in connection with any exchange pursuant to the LLC Agreement; *provided* that nothing contained herein shall be construed to preclude the Corporation from satisfying its obligations in respect of any such exchange by delivery of shares of Class A Common Stock which are held in the treasury of the Corporation. The Corporation covenants that all shares of Class A Common Stock issued upon any such exchange will, upon issuance, be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

ARTICLE VIII

For the management of the business and for the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation it is further provided that:

A. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect directors (such directors, "<u>Preferred Stock Directors</u>"), the directors of the Corporation shall be divided into three classes, designated as Class I, Class II and Class III.

The initial Class I directors shall serve for a term expiring at the first annual meeting of the stockholders following the initial registration of the Class A Common Stock pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; the initial Class III directors shall serve for a term expiring at the second annual meeting of the stockholders following such registration; and the initial Class III directors shall serve for a term expiring at the third annual meeting following such registration. At each annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation beginning with the first annual meeting of stockholders following such registration, subject to any special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect Preferred Stock Directors, the successors of the class of directors whose term expires at that meeting shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the annual meeting of stockholders held in the third year following the year of their election. Each director shall hold office until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation, disqualification or removal. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director. Subject to the Stockholders Agreement, the Board of Directors is authorized to assign members of the Board of Directors already in office upon the effectiveness of this Restated Certificate to Class I, Class II and Class III.

- B. Except as otherwise expressly provided by the DGCL or this Restated Certificate, the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors. Subject to the Stockholders Agreement, the number of directors which shall constitute the whole Board of Directors shall be fixed exclusively by one or more resolutions adopted from time to time by a majority of the Whole Board. For purposes of this Restated Certificate, the term "Whole Board" shall mean the total number of authorized directors for the Board of Directors whether or not there exist any vacancies in previously authorized directorships.
- C. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect Preferred Stock Directors and subject to the Stockholders Agreement, the Board of Directors or any individual director may be removed from office at any time, but only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the voting power of all of the then outstanding shares of voting stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at an election of directors.
- D. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect Preferred Stock Directors and subject to the Stockholders Agreement, except as otherwise provided by law, any vacancies on the Board of Directors resulting from death, resignation, disqualification, retirement, removal or other causes and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of directors shall be filled exclusively by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, even though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director (other than any Preferred Stock Directors), and shall not be filled by the stockholders. Any director appointed in accordance with the preceding sentence shall hold office until the expiration of the term of the class to which such director shall have been appointed or until his or her earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, or removal.
- E. Whenever the holders of any one or more series of Preferred Stock issued by the Corporation shall have the right, voting separately as a series or separately as a class with one or

more such other series, to elect Preferred Stock Directors, the election, term of office, removal and other features of such directorships shall be governed by the terms of this Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article VIII, the number of directors that may be elected by the holders of any such series of Preferred Stock shall be in addition to the number fixed pursuant to Article VIII(B), and the total number of directors constituting the whole Board of Directors shall be automatically adjusted accordingly. Except as otherwise provided in the Certificate of Designation(s) in respect of one or more series of Preferred Stock, whenever the holders of any series of Preferred Stock having such right to elect additional directors are divested of such right pursuant to the provisions of such Certificate of Designation(s), the terms of office of all such additional directors elected by the holders of such series of Preferred Stock, or elected to fill any vacancies resulting from the death, resignation, disqualification or removal of such additional directors, shall forthwith terminate (in which case each such director thereupon shall cease to be qualified as, and shall cease to be, a director) and the total authorized number of directors of the Corporation shall automatically be reduced accordingly.

- F. In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to adopt, amend or repeal Bylaws of the Corporation (the "Bylaws"). In addition to any vote of the holders of any class or series of stock of the Corporation required by applicable law or by this Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation in respect of one or more series of Preferred Stock) or the Bylaws, the adoption, amendment or repeal of the Bylaws by the stockholders of the Corporation shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the voting power of all of the then outstanding shares of voting stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in an election of directors, voting together as a single class.
 - G. The directors of the Corporation need not be elected by written ballot unless the Bylaws so provide.

ARTICLE IX

A. Until such time the Corporation ceases to be a "controlled company" within the meaning of the corporate governance standards of The Nasdaq Global Market, as amended from time to time (the "Trigger Date"), any action required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation at any annual or special meeting of stockholders may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent or consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken, are signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon were present and voted and delivered to the Corporation in accordance with the DGCL; provided, however, that no action by stockholders may be taken by written consent in lieu of a meeting of stockholders unless such written consent and the taking of the action specified therein have been previously approved by the affirmative vote of Directors constituting a majority of the Whole Board and provided, further, that any action required or permitted to be taken by the holders of Preferred Stock, voting separately as a series or separately as a class with one or more other such series, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, to the extent expressly

so provided by the applicable Certificate of Designation relating to such series of Preferred Stock. From and after the Trigger Date, any action required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation must be effected at an annual or special meeting of the stockholders and may not be effected by written consent in lieu of a meeting; *provided*, *however*, that any action required or permitted to be taken by the holders of Preferred Stock, voting separately as a series or separately as a class with one or more other such series, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, to the extent expressly so provided by the applicable Certificate of Designation relating to such series of Preferred Stock.

- B. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more series of Preferred Stock, special meetings of the stockholders may be called only by (a) the chairperson of the Board of Directors, (b) the Chief Executive Officer, (c) the President, (d) the Secretary or (e) a resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of Directors constituting a majority of the Whole Board.
- C. Advance notice of stockholder nominations for the election of directors and of other business proposed to be brought by stockholders before any meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation shall be given in the manner provided in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X

No director of the Corporation shall have any personal liability to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the DGCL as the same exists or hereafter may be amended. Any amendment, repeal or modification of this <u>Article X</u>, or the adoption of any provision of the Restated Certificate inconsistent with this <u>Article X</u>, shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to such amendment, repeal, modification or adoption. If the DGCL is amended after approval by the stockholders of this <u>Article X</u> to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL as so amended.

ARTICLE XI

The Corporation shall have the power to provide rights to indemnification and advancement of expenses to its current and former officers, directors, employees and agents and to any person who is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise.

ARTICLE XII

To the fullest extent permitted by the laws of the State of Delaware, (a) the Corporation hereby renounces all interest and expectancy that it otherwise would be entitled to have in, and all rights to be offered an opportunity to participate in, any business opportunity that from time to time may be presented to (i) the Board of Directors or any director, (ii) any stockholder, officer or agent of the Corporation, or (iii) any affiliate of any person or entity identified in the

preceding clause (i) or (ii), but in each case excluding any such person in its capacity as an employee of the Corporation or its subsidiaries; (b) no holder of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock and no director that is not an employee of the Corporation or its subsidiaries will have any duty to refrain from (i) engaging in a corporate opportunity in the same or similar lines of business in which the Corporation or its subsidiaries from time to time is engaged or proposes to engage or (ii) otherwise competing, directly or indirectly, with the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries; and (c) if any holder of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock or any director that is not an employee of the Corporation or its subsidiaries acquires knowledge of a potential transaction or other business opportunity which may be a corporate opportunity both for such holder of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock or such director or any of their respective affiliates, on the one hand, and for the Corporation or its subsidiaries, on the other hand, such holder of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock or director shall have no duty to communicate or offer such transaction or business opportunity to the Corporation or its subsidiaries and such holder of Class A Common Stock or director may take any and all such transactions or opportunities for itself or offer such transactions or opportunities to any other person or entity. The preceding sentence of this Article XII shall not apply to any potential transaction or business opportunity that is expressly offered to a director, who is not an employee of the Corporation or its subsidiaries, solely in his or her capacity as a director of the Corporation.

To the fullest extent permitted by the laws of the State of Delaware, no potential transaction or business opportunity may be deemed to be a potential corporate opportunity of the Corporation or its subsidiaries unless (a) the Corporation and its subsidiaries would be permitted to undertake such transaction or opportunity in accordance with this Restated Certificate, (b) the Corporation and its subsidiaries at such time have sufficient financial resources to undertake such transaction or opportunity and (c) such transaction or opportunity would be in the same or similar line of business in which the Corporation and its subsidiaries are then engaged or a line of business that is reasonably related to, or a reasonable extension of, such line of business.

No holder of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock and no director will be liable to the Corporation or its subsidiaries or stockholders for breach of any duty (contractual or otherwise) by reason of any activities or omissions of the types referred to in this <u>Article XII</u>, except to the extent such actions or omissions are in breach of this <u>Article XII</u>.

ARTICLE XIII

Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, (a) the Court of Chancery (the "Chancery Court") of the State of Delaware (or, in the event that the Chancery Court does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware or other state courts of the State of Delaware) shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action, suit or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation, (ii) any action, suit or proceeding asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any current or former director, officer, other employee or stockholder of the Corporation to the Corporation or to the Corporation's stockholders, (iii) any action, suit or proceeding arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL or the bylaws of the Corporation or this Restated Certificate (as either may be amended from time to time) or as to which the DGCL

confers jurisdiction on the Chancery Court or (iv) any action, suit or proceeding asserting a claim against the Corporation governed by the internal affairs doctrine; and (b) the federal district courts of the United States of America shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence is filed in a court other than the courts in the State of Delaware (a "Foreign Action") in the name of any stockholder, such stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to (x) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts in the State of Delaware in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce the provisions of clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence and (y) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such action by service upon such stockholder's counsel in the Foreign Action as agent for such stockholder.

Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any security of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to this <u>Article XIII</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this <u>Article XIII</u> shall not apply to suits brought to enforce any liability or duty created by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any other claim for which the federal courts of the United States have exclusive jurisdiction.

If any provision or provisions of this <u>Article XIII</u> shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever, (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this <u>Article XIII</u> (including, without limitation, each portion of any paragraph of this <u>Article XIII</u> containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the application of such provision to other persons or entities and circumstances shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

ARTICLE XIV

- A. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Restated Certificate to the contrary, in addition to any vote required by applicable law and subject to the Stockholders Agreement, the following provisions in this Restated Certificate may be amended, altered, repealed or rescinded, in whole or in part, or any provision inconsistent therewith or herewith may be adopted, only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 66 2/3% of the total voting power of all the then outstanding shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon, voting together as a single class: Part B of Article VI, Article VII, Article VIII, Article IX, Article X, Article XI, Article XIII and this Article XIV.
- B. If any provision or provisions of this Restated Certificate shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever: (i) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Restated Certificate (including, without limitation, each portion of any paragraph of this Restated Certificate containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, in any way be affected or impaired thereby and (ii)

to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the provisions of this Restated Certificate (including, without limitation, each such portion of any paragraph of this Restated Certificate containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to permit the Corporation to protect its directors, officers, employees and agents from personal liability in respect of their good faith service to or for the benefit of the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE XV

- A. The effective time of this Restated Certificate shall be the date and time that this Restated Certificate is filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "Effective Time").
 - B. The Corporation expressly elects not to be governed by Section 203 of the DGCL and the restrictions and limitations set forth therein.
- C. For as long as the Stockholders Agreement remains in effect, in the event of any conflict between the terms and provisions of this Restated Certificate and those contained in the Stockholders Agreement, the terms and provisions of the Stockholders Agreement shall govern and control to the fullest extent permitted by law, except as provided otherwise by mandatory provisions of the DGCL.

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BIOVENTUS INC.

(a Delaware corporation)

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Article I - Corporate Offices

1.1 Registered Office.

The address of the registered office of Bioventus Inc. (the "<u>Corporation</u>") in the State of Delaware, and the name of its registered agent at such address, shall be as set forth in the Corporation's certificate of incorporation, as the same may be amended and/or restated from time to time (the "<u>Certificate of Incorporation</u>").

1.2 Other Offices.

The Corporation may have additional offices at any place or places, within or outside the State of Delaware, as the Corporation's board of directors (the "Board") may from time to time establish or as the business of the Corporation may require.

Article II - Meetings of Stockholders

2.1 Place of Meetings.

Meetings of stockholders shall be held at any place within or outside the State of Delaware, designated by the Board. The Board may, in its sole discretion, determine that a meeting of stockholders shall not be held at any place, but may instead be held solely by means of remote communication as authorized by Section 211(a)(2) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "<u>DGCL</u>"). In the absence of any such designation or determination, stockholders' meetings shall be held at the Corporation's principal executive office.

2.2 Annual Meeting.

The Board shall designate the date and time of the annual meeting. At the annual meeting, directors shall be elected and other proper business properly brought before the meeting in accordance with Section 2.4 of these bylaws may be transacted. The Board may postpone, reschedule or cancel any previously scheduled annual meeting of stockholders.

2.3 Special Meeting.

Special meetings of the stockholders may be called only by such persons and only in such manner as set forth in the Certificate of Incorporation.

No business may be transacted at any special meeting of stockholders other than the business specified in the notice of such meeting. The Board may postpone, reschedule or cancel any previously scheduled special meeting of stockholders.

2.4 Notice of Business to be Brought before a Meeting.

- (a) At an annual meeting of the stockholders, only such business shall be conducted as shall have been properly brought before the meeting. To be properly brought before an annual meeting, business must be (i) specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto), (ii) if not specified in a notice of meeting, otherwise brought before the meeting by or at the direction of the Board, any committee thereof or the Chairperson of the Board or (iii) otherwise properly brought before the meeting by a stockholder present in person who (A)(1) was a record owner of shares of the Corporation both at the time of giving the notice provided for in this Section 2.4 and at the time of the meeting, (2) is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (3) has complied with this Section 2.4 in all applicable respects or (B) properly made such proposal in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (as so amended and inclusive of such rules and regulations, the "Exchange Act"). The foregoing clause (iii) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to propose business to be brought before an annual meeting of the stockholders. The only matters that may be brought before a special meeting are the matters specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting and stockholders shall not be permitted to propose business to be brought before a special meeting of the stockholders. For purposes of this Section 2.4, "present in person" shall mean that the stockholder proposing that the business be brought before the annual meeting of the Corporation, or a qualified representative of such proposing stockholder, appear at such annual meeting. A "qualified representative" of such proposing stockholder shall be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such stockholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders. Stockholders seeking to nominate persons for election to the Board must comply with Section 2.5 and Section 2.6 and this Section 2.4 shall not be applicable to nominations except as expressly provided in Section 2.5 and Section 2.6.
- (b) Without qualification, for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder, the stockholder must (i) provide Timely Notice (as defined below) thereof in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the Corporation and (ii) provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 2.4. To be timely, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to, or mailed and received at, the principal executive offices of the Corporation not less than ninety (90) days nor more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the one-year anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting which, in the case of the first annual meeting of stockholders following the closing of the Corporation's initial underwritten public offering of common stock, the date of the preceding year's annual meeting shall be deemed to be May 14, 2021; provided, however, that if the date of the annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered, or mailed and received, not later than the ninetieth (90th) day prior to such annual meeting or, if later, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public disclosure of the date of such annual meeting was first made by the Corporation (such notice within such time periods, "Timely Notice"). In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of Timely Notice as described above.
 - (c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 2.4, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth:
 - (i) As to each Proposing Person (as defined below), (A) the name and address of such Proposing Person (including, if applicable, the name and address that appear on the Corporation's books and records); and (B) the class or series and number of shares of the Corporation that are, directly or

indirectly, owned of record or beneficially owned (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) by such Proposing Person, except that such Proposing Person shall in all events be deemed to beneficially own any shares of any class or series of the Corporation as to which such Proposing Person has a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) and (B) are referred to as "Stockholder Information");

- (ii) As to each Proposing Person, (A) the full notional amount of any securities that, directly or indirectly, underlie any "derivative security" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(c) under the Exchange Act) that constitutes a "call equivalent position" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(b) under the Exchange Act) ("Synthetic Equity Position") and that is, directly or indirectly, held or maintained by such Proposing Person with respect to any shares of any class or series of shares of the Corporation; provided that, for the purposes of the definition of "Synthetic Equity Position," the term "derivative security" shall also include any security or instrument that would not otherwise constitute a "derivative security" as a result of any feature that would make any conversion, exercise or similar right or privilege of such security or instrument becoming determinable only at some future date or upon the happening of a future occurrence, in which case the determination of the amount of securities into which such security or instrument would be convertible or exercisable shall be made assuming that such security or instrument is immediately convertible or exercisable at the time of such determination; and, provided, further, that any Proposing Person satisfying the requirements of Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act (other than a Proposing Person that so satisfies Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act solely by reason of Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)) shall not be deemed to hold or maintain the notional amount of any securities that underlie a Synthetic Equity Position held by such Proposing Person as a hedge with respect to a bona fide derivatives trade or position of such Proposing Person arising in the ordinary course of such Proposing Person's business as a derivatives dealer, (B) any material pending or threatened legal proceeding in which such Proposing Person is a party or material participant involving the Corporation or any of its officers or directors, or any affiliate of the Corporation, (C) any other material relationship between such Proposing Person, on the one hand, and the Corporation or any affiliate of the Corporation, on the other hand, (D) any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement of such Proposing Person with the Corporation or any affiliate of the Corporation (including, in any such case, any employment agreement, collective bargaining agreement or consulting agreement), (E) a representation that such Proposing Person intends or is part of a group which intends to deliver a proxy statement or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the Corporation's outstanding capital stock required to approve or adopt the proposal or otherwise solicit proxies from stockholders in support of such proposal and (F) any other information relating to such Proposing Person that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filing required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies or consents by such Proposing Person in support of the business proposed to be brought before the meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) through (F) are referred to as "Disclosable Interests"); provided, however, that Disclosable Interests shall not include any such disclosures with respect to the ordinary course business activities of any broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee who is a Proposing Person solely as a result of being the stockholder directed to prepare and submit the notice required by these bylaws on behalf of a beneficial owner; and
- (iii) As to each item of business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting, (A) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting and any material interest in such business of each Proposing Person, (B) the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions

proposed for consideration and in the event that such business includes a proposal to amend the bylaws, the language of the proposed amendment), and (C) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (x) between or among any of the Proposing Persons or (y) between or among any Proposing Person and any other person or entity (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such business by such stockholder; and (D) any other information relating to such item of business that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filing required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies in support of the business proposed to be brought before the meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act; *provided*, *however*, that the disclosures required by this paragraph (iii) shall not include any disclosures with respect to any broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee who is a Proposing Person solely as a result of being the stockholder directed to prepare and submit the notice required by these bylaws on behalf of a beneficial

For purposes of this Section 2.4, the term "<u>Proposing Person</u>" shall mean (i) the stockholder providing the notice of business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the business proposed to be brought before the annual meeting is made, and (iii) any participant (as defined in paragraphs (a)(ii)-(vi) of Instruction 3 to Item 4 of Schedule 14A) with such stockholder in such solicitation.

- (d) A Proposing Person shall update and supplement its notice to the Corporation of its intent to propose business at an annual meeting, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Section 2.4 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these bylaws shall not limit the Corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any proposal or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything in these bylaws to the contrary, no business shall be conducted at an annual meeting that is not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 2.4. The presiding officer of the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that the business was not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 2.4, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare to the meeting and any such business not properly brought before the meeting shall not be transacted.
- (f) This Section 2.4 is expressly intended to apply to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting of stockholders other than any proposal made in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and included in the Corporation's proxy statement. In addition to the requirements of this Section 2.4 with respect to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, each Proposing Person shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such business. Nothing in this Section 2.4 shall be deemed to affect the rights of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals in the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

(g) For purposes of these bylaws, "<u>public disclosure</u>" shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by a national news service or in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Sections 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

2.5 Notice of Nominations for Election to the Board.

- (a) Other than those directors nominated or designated in accordance with the Stockholders Agreement (as defined in Section 3.3), nominations of any person for election to the Board at an annual meeting or at a special meeting (but only if the election of directors is a matter specified in the Corporation's notice of such special meeting) may be made at such meeting only (i) by or at the direction of the Board, including by any committee authorized to do so by the Board, or (ii) by a stockholder present in person (A) who was a record owner of shares of the Corporation both at the time of giving the notice provided for in this Section 2.5 and at the time of the meeting, (B) is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (C) has complied with this Section 2.5 and Section 2.6 as to such notice and nomination. For purposes of this Section 2.5, "present in person" shall mean that the stockholder nominating the nominee(s) of the Corporation, or a qualified representative of such stockholder, appear at such meeting. A "qualified representative" of such proposing stockholder shall be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such stockholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders. The foregoing clause (ii) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the Board at an annual meeting or special meeting.
- (b) (i) Without qualification, for a stockholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the Board at an annual meeting, the stockholder must (1) provide Timely Notice (as defined in Section 2.4) thereof in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the Corporation, (2) provide the information, agreements and questionnaires with respect to such stockholder and its candidate for nomination as required to be set forth by this Section 2.5 and Section 2.6 and (3) provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 2.5 and Section 2.6.
- (ii) Without qualification, if the election of directors is a matter specified in the Corporation's notice of special meeting, then for a stockholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the Board at a special meeting, the stockholder must (i) provide timely notice thereof in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the Corporation at the principal executive offices of the Corporation, (ii) provide the information with respect to such stockholder and its candidate for nomination as required by this Section 2.5 and Section 2.6 and (iii) provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 2.5. To be timely, a stockholder's notice for nominations to be made at a special meeting must be delivered to, or mailed and received at, the principal executive offices of the Corporation not earlier than the one hundred twentieth (120th) day prior to such special meeting or, if later, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public disclosure (as defined in Section 2.4) of the date of such special meeting was first made.
- (iii) In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or special meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

- (iv) In no event may a Nominating Person (as defined below) provide Timely Notice with respect to a greater number of director candidates than are subject to election by stockholders at the applicable meeting. If the Corporation shall, subsequent to such notice, increase the number of directors subject to election at the meeting, such notice as to any additional nominees shall be due on the later of (i) in the case of an annual meeting, the conclusion of the time period for Timely Notice, (ii) in the case of a special meeting, the date set forth in Section 2.5(b)(ii) or (iii) the tenth day following the date of public disclosure (as defined in Section 2.4) of such increase.
 - (c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 2.5, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth:
 - (i) As to each Nominating Person, the Stockholder Information (as defined in Section 2.4(c)(i), except that for purposes of this Section 2.5 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 2.4(c)(i));
 - (ii) As to each Nominating Person, any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 2.4(c)(ii), except that for purposes of this Section 2.5 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 2.4(c)(ii) and the disclosure with respect to the business to be brought before the meeting in Section 2.4(c)(ii) shall be made with respect to the election of directors at the meeting); and
 - (iii) As to each candidate whom a Nominating Person proposes to nominate for election as a director, (A) all information with respect to such candidate for nomination that would be required to be set forth in a stockholder's notice pursuant to this Section 2.5 and Section 2.6 if such candidate for nomination were a Nominating Person, (B) all information relating to such candidate for nomination that is required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14(a) under the Exchange Act (including such candidate's written consent to being named in the Corporation's proxy statement as a nominee of the Nominating Person and to serving as a director if elected), (C) a description of any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement between or among any Nominating Person, on the one hand, and each candidate for nomination or his or her respective associates or any other participants in such solicitation, on the other hand, including, without limitation, all information that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 under Regulation S-K if such Nominating Person were the "registrant" for purposes of such rule and the candidate for nomination were a director or executive officer of such registrant (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) through (C) are referred to as "Nominee Information"), and (D) a completed and signed questionnaire, representation and agreement as provided in Section 2.6(a).

For purposes of this Section 2.5, the term "Nominating Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder providing the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting is made, and (iii) any other participant in such solicitation.

(d) A stockholder providing notice of any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting shall further update and supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Section 2.5 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting

or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these bylaws shall not limit the Corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any nomination or to submit any new nomination.

(e) In addition to the requirements of this Section 2.5 with respect to any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting, each Nominating Person shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such nominations.

2.6 Additional Requirements for Valid Nomination of Candidates to Serve as Director and, if Elected, to be Seated as Directors.

- (a) To be eligible to be a candidate for election as a director of the Corporation at an annual or special meeting, a candidate must be nominated in the manner prescribed in Section 2.5 and the candidate for nomination, whether nominated by the Board or by a stockholder of record, must have previously delivered (in accordance with the time period prescribed for delivery in a notice to such candidate given by or on behalf of the Board), to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation, (i) a completed written questionnaire (in a form provided by the Corporation) with respect to the background, qualifications, stock ownership and independence of such proposed nominee and (ii) a written representation and agreement (in form provided by the Corporation) that such candidate for nomination (A) is not and, if elected as a director during his or her term of office, will not become a party to (1) any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given and will not give any commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such proposed nominee, if elected as a director of the Corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting Commitment") or (2) any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with such proposed nominee's ability to comply, if elected as a director of the Corporation, with such proposed nominee's fiduciary duties under applicable law, (B) is not, and will not become a party to, any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation or reimbursement for service as a director that has not been disclosed therein or to the Corporation, (C) if elected as a director of the Corporation, will comply with all applicable corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality, stock ownership and trading and other policies and guidelines of the Corporation applicable to directors and in effect during such person's term in office as a director (and, if requested by any candidate for nomination, the Secretary of the Corporation shall provide to such candidate for nomination all such policies and guidelines then in effect) and (D) if elected as director of the Corporation, intends to serve the entire term until the next meeting at which such candidate would face re-election.
- (b) The Board may also require any proposed candidate for nomination as a director to furnish such other information as may reasonably be requested by the Board in writing prior to the meeting of stockholders at which such candidate's nomination is to be acted upon in order for the Board to determine the eligibility of such candidate for nomination to be an independent director of the Corporation in accordance with the Corporation's Corporate Governance Guidelines.

- (c) A candidate for nomination as a director shall further update and supplement the materials delivered pursuant to this Section 2.6, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided pursuant to this Section 2.6 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation (or any other office specified by the Corporation in any public announcement) not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these bylaws shall not limit the Corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any proposal or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding nominees, matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.
- (d) No candidate shall be eligible for nomination as a director of the Corporation unless such candidate for nomination and the Nominating Person seeking to place such candidate's name in nomination has complied with Section 2.5 and this Section 2.6, as applicable. The presiding officer at the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that a nomination was not properly made in accordance with Section 2.5 and this Section 2.6, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare such determination to the meeting, the defective nomination shall be disregarded and any ballots cast for the candidate in question (but in the case of any form of ballot listing other qualified nominees, only the ballots cast for the nominee in question) shall be void and of no force or effect.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything in these bylaws to the contrary, no candidate proposed by a Nominating Person for nomination at an annual or special meeting shall be eligible to be seated as a director of the Corporation unless nominated and elected in accordance with Section 2.5 and this Section 2.6; *provided, however*, that Section 2.5 and this Section 2.6 shall not be applicable to the election of directors by the holders of any series of Preferred Stock pursuant to any applicable provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation.

2.7 Notice of Stockholders' Meetings.

Unless otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws, the notice of any meeting of stockholders shall be sent or otherwise given in accordance with Section 8.1 of these bylaws not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting. The notice shall specify the place, if any, date and time of the meeting, the means of remote communication, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such meeting, the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (if such date is different from the record date for stockholders entitled to notice of the meeting), and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called.

2.8 Quorum.

Unless otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws, the holders of a majority in voting power of the stock issued and outstanding and entitled to vote at the meeting, present in person, or by remote communication, if applicable, or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the stockholders. A quorum, once established at a meeting, shall not be broken by the withdrawal of enough votes to leave less than a quorum. If, however, a quorum is not present or represented at any meeting of the stockholders, then either (i) the person presiding over the meeting or (ii) or if directed to be voted on by the person presiding over the meeting, a majority in voting power of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, present in person, or by remote communication, if applicable, or represented by proxy, shall have power to adjourn the meeting from time to time in the manner provided in Section 2.9 of these bylaws until a quorum is present or represented.

2.9 Adjourned Meeting; Notice.

Any meeting of stockholders, annual or special, may adjourn from time to time to reconvene at the same or some other place, if any, and when a meeting is adjourned to another time or place, unless these bylaws otherwise require, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting if the time, place, if any, thereof, and the means of remote communications, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such adjourned meeting are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken. At any adjourned meeting, the Corporation may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days, a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting. If after the adjournment a new record date for determination of stockholders entitled to vote is fixed for the adjourned meeting, the Board shall fix as the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of such adjourned meeting the same or an earlier date as that fixed for determination of stockholders entitled to vote at the adjourned meeting, and shall give notice of the adjourned meeting to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at such meeting as of the record date so fixed for notice of such adjourned meeting.

2.10 Conduct of Business.

The date and time of the opening and the closing of the polls for each matter upon which the stockholders will vote at a meeting shall be announced at the meeting by the person presiding over the meeting. The Board may adopt by resolution such rules and regulations for the conduct of the meeting of stockholders as it shall deem appropriate. Except to the extent inconsistent with such rules and regulations as adopted by the Board, the person presiding over any meeting of stockholders shall have the right and authority to convene and (for any or no reason) to recess and/or adjourn the meeting, to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures (which need not be in writing) and to do all such acts as, in the judgment of such presiding person, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting. Such rules, regulations or procedures, whether adopted by the Board or prescribed by the person presiding over the meeting, may include, without limitation, the following: (i) the establishment of an agenda or order of business for the meeting; (ii) rules and procedures for maintaining order at the meeting and the safety of those present (including, without limitation, rules and procedures for removal of disruptive persons from the meeting); (iii) limitations on attendance at or participation in the meeting to stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, their duly authorized and constituted proxies or such other persons as the person presiding over the meeting shall determine; (iv) restrictions on entry to the meeting after the time fixed for the commencement thereof; and (v) limitations on the time allotted to questions or comments by participants. The presiding person at any meeting of stockholders, in addition to making any other determinations that may be appropriate to the conduct of the meeting (including, without

limitation, determinations with respect to the administration and/or interpretation of any of the rules, regulations or procedures of the meeting, whether adopted by the Board or prescribed by the person presiding over the meeting), shall, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a matter of business was not properly brought before the meeting and if such presiding person should so determine, such presiding person shall so declare to the meeting and any such matter or business not properly brought before the meeting shall not be transacted or considered. Unless and to the extent determined by the Board or the person presiding over the meeting, meetings of stockholders shall not be required to be held in accordance with the rules of parliamentary procedure.

2.11 Voting.

Except as may be otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, each stockholder shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each share of capital stock held by such stockholder which has voting power upon the matter in question.

Except as otherwise provided by the Certificate of Incorporation, at all duly called or convened meetings of stockholders at which a quorum is present, for the election of directors, a plurality of the votes cast shall be sufficient to elect a director. Except as otherwise provided by the Certificate of Incorporation, these bylaws, the rules or regulations of any stock exchange applicable to the Corporation, or applicable law or pursuant to any regulation applicable to the Corporation or its securities, each other matter presented to the stockholders at a duly called or convened meeting at which a quorum is present shall be decided by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority in voting power of the votes cast (excluding abstentions and broker non-votes) on such matter.

2.12 Record Date for Stockholder Meetings and Other Purposes.

In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, the Board may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board, and which record date shall, unless otherwise required by law, not be more than sixty (60) days nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting. If the Board so fixes a date, such date shall also be the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote at such meeting unless the Board determines, at the time it fixes such record date, that a later date on or before the date of the meeting shall be the date for making such determination. If no record date is fixed by the Board, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall be the close of business on the next day preceding the day on which notice is first given, or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held. A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the Board may fix a new record date for determination of stockholders entitled to vote at the adjourned meeting; and in such case shall also fix as the record date for stockholders entitled to notice of such adjourned meeting the same or an earlier date as that fixed for determination of stockholders entitled to vote in accordance herewith at the adjourned meeting.

Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation, in order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, the Board may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board, and which record date shall not be more than ten (10) days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board. If no record date for determining

stockholders entitled to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting is fixed by the Board, (i) when no prior action of the Board is required by law, the record date for such purpose shall be the first date on which a signed written consent setting forth the action taken or proposed to be taken is delivered to the Corporation in accordance with applicable law, and (ii) if prior action by the Board is required by law, the record date for such purpose shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Board adopts the resolution taking such prior action.

In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment or any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or for the purposes of any other lawful action, the Board may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted, and which record date shall be not more than sixty (60) days prior to such action. If no record date is fixed, the record date for determining stockholders for any such purpose shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Board adopts the resolution relating thereto.

2.13 Proxies.

Each stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder by proxy authorized by an instrument in writing or by a transmission permitted by law filed in accordance with the procedure established for the meeting, but no such proxy shall be voted or acted upon after three (3) years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period. The revocability of a proxy that states on its face that it is irrevocable shall be governed by the provisions of Section 212 of the DGCL. A stockholder may revoke any proxy which is not irrevocable by attending the meeting and voting in person or by delivering to the Secretary of the corporation a revocation of the proxy or a new proxy bearing a later date. A proxy may be in the form of an electronic transmission which sets forth or is submitted with information from which it can be determined that the transmission was authorized by the stockholder. Without limitation of the foregoing, the authorization of a person to act as proxy may be documented, signed and delivered in accordance with Section 116 of the DGCL, provided that such authorization shall set forth, or be delivered with information enabling the Corporation to determine, the identity of the stockholder granting such authorization.

2.14 List of Stockholders Entitled to Vote.

The Corporation shall prepare, at least ten (10) days before every meeting of stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (provided, however, that if the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote is less than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting, the list shall reflect the stockholders entitled to vote as of the tenth day before the meeting date), arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. The Corporation shall not be required to include electronic mail addresses or other electronic contact information on such list. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting for a period of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting: (i) on a reasonably accessible electronic network, provided that the information required to gain access to such list is provided with the notice of the meeting, or (ii) during ordinary business hours, at the Corporation's principal executive office. In the event that the Corporation determines to make the list available on an electronic network, the Corporation may take reasonable steps to ensure that such information is available only to stockholders of the Corporation. If the meeting is to be held at a place, then the list shall be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present. If the meeting is to be held solely by means of remote communication, then the list shall also be open to the examination of any

stockholder during the whole time of the meeting on a reasonably accessible electronic network, and the information required to access such list shall be provided with the notice of the meeting. Such list shall presumptively determine the identity of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and the number of shares held by each of them. Except as otherwise provided by law, the stock ledger shall be the only evidence as to who are the stockholders entitled to examine the list of stockholders required by this Section 2.14 or to vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of stockholders.

2.15 <u>Action by Written Consent of Stockholders</u>. Except as provided by, and in accordance with, the Certificate of Incorporation, no action that is required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders at any annual or special meeting of stockholders may be effected by written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting of stockholders.

2.16 <u>Inspectors of Election</u>.

Before any meeting of stockholders, the Corporation shall appoint an inspector or inspectors of election to act at the meeting or its adjournment and make a written report thereof. The Corporation may designate one or more persons as alternate inspectors to replace any inspector who fails to act. If any person appointed as inspector or any alternate fails to appear or fails or refuses to act, then the person presiding over the meeting shall appoint a person to fill that vacancy.

Such inspectors shall:

- (i) determine the number of shares outstanding and the voting power of each, the number of shares represented at the meeting and the validity of any proxies and ballots;
 - (ii) count all votes or ballots;
 - (iii) count and tabulate all votes;
- (iv) determine and retain for a reasonable period a record of the disposition of any challenges made to any determination by the inspector(s); and
 - (v) certify its or their determination of the number of shares represented at the meeting and its or their count of all votes and ballots.

Each inspector, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of inspector, shall take and sign an oath faithfully to execute the duties of inspection with strict impartiality and according to the best of such inspector's ability. Any report or certificate made by the inspectors of election is prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein. The inspectors of election may appoint such persons to assist them in performing their duties as they determine.

2.17 <u>Delivery to the Corporation.</u>

Whenever this Article II requires one or more persons (including a record or beneficial owner of stock) to deliver a document or information to the Corporation or any officer, employee or agent thereof including any notice, request, questionnaire, revocation, representation or other document or agreement (other than a proxy or a written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting of stockholders as provided by, and in accordance with, the Certificate of Incorporation), such document or information shall be in writing exclusively (and not in an

electronic transmission) and shall be delivered exclusively by hand (including, without limitation, overnight courier service) or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, and the Corporation shall not be required to accept delivery of any document not in such written form or so delivered. For the avoidance of doubt, except with respect to any proxy to vote shares of the Corporation or a written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting of stockholders as provided by, and in accordance with, the Certificate of Incorporation, the Corporation expressly opts out of Section 116 of the DGCL with respect to the delivery of information and documents to the Corporation required by this Article II.

Article III - Directors

3.1 Powers.

Except as otherwise provided by the Certificate of Incorporation or the DGCL, the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board.

3.2 Number of Directors

The total authorized number of directors shall be determined from time to time in the manner provided in the Certificate of Incorporation. No reduction of the authorized number of directors shall have the effect of removing any director before that director's term of office expires.

3.3 Election, Qualification and Term of Office of Directors.

Except as provided in Section 3.4 of these bylaws, and subject to the Certificate of Incorporation and that certain stockholders agreement to be entered into by and among the Corporation, Bioventus LLC and the other persons party thereto (as it may be amended from time to time, the "Stockholders Agreement"), each director, including a director elected to fill a vacancy or newly created directorship, shall hold office until the expiration of the term of the class, if any, for which elected and until such director's successor is elected and qualified or until such director's earlier death, resignation, disqualification or removal. Directors need not be stockholders. The Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws may prescribe qualifications for directors.

3.4 Resignation and Vacancies.

Any director may resign at any time upon notice given in writing or by electronic transmission to the Corporation. The resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein or upon the happening of an event specified therein, and if no time or event is specified, at the time of its receipt. When one or more directors so resigns and the resignation is effective at a future date or upon the happening of an event to occur on a future date, a majority of the directors then in office, including those who have so resigned, shall have power to fill such vacancy or vacancies, the vote thereon to take effect when such resignation or resignations shall become effective, and each director so chosen shall hold office as provided in Section 3.3.

Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, these bylaws or the Stockholders Agreement, vacancies resulting from the death, resignation, disqualification or removal of any director, and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors shall be filled only by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director.

3.5 Place of Meetings; Meetings by Telephone.

The Board may hold meetings, both regular and special, either within or outside the State of Delaware.

Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws, members of the Board, or any committee designated by the Board, may participate in a meeting of the Board, or any committee, by means of conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and such participation in a meeting pursuant to this bylaw shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

3.6 Regular Meetings.

Regular meetings of the Board may be held within or outside the State of Delaware and at such time and at such place as which has been designated by the Board and publicized among all directors, either orally or in writing, by telephone, including a voice-messaging system or other system designed to record and communicate messages, facsimile, telegraph or telex, or by electronic mail or other means of electronic transmission. No further notice shall be required for regular meetings of the Board.

3.7 Special Meetings; Notice.

Special meetings of the Board for any purpose or purposes may be called at any time by the Chairperson of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Secretary or a majority of the total number of authorized directors.

Notice of the time and place of special meetings shall be:

- (i) delivered personally by hand, by courier or by telephone;
- (ii) sent by United States first-class mail, postage prepaid;
- (iii) sent by facsimile or electronic mail; or
- (iv) sent by other means of electronic transmission,

directed to each director at that director's address, telephone number, facsimile number or electronic mail address, or other address for electronic transmission, as the case may be, as shown on the Corporation's records.

If the notice is (i) delivered personally by hand, by courier or by telephone, (ii) sent by facsimile or electronic mail, or (iii) sent by other means of electronic transmission, it shall be delivered or sent at least twenty-four (24) hours before the time of the holding of the meeting. If the notice is sent by U.S. mail, it shall be deposited in the U.S. mail at least four (4) days before the time of the holding of the meeting. The notice need not specify the place of the meeting (if the meeting is to be held at the Corporation's principal executive office) nor the purpose of the meeting.

3.8 Quorum.

The greater of (i) a majority of the directors at any time in office and (ii) one-third of the number of directors established by the Board pursuant to Article VIII(B) of the Certificate of Incorporation and Section

3.2 of these bylaws shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The vote of a majority of the directors present at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board, except as may be otherwise specifically provided by statute, the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws. If a quorum is not present at any meeting of the Board, then the directors present thereat may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum is present.

3.9 Board Action without a Meeting.

Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board, or of any committee thereof, may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board or committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing or by electronic transmission. After an action is taken, the consent or consents relating thereto shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board, or the committee thereof, in the same paper or electronic form as the minutes are maintained. Such action by written consent or consent by electronic transmission shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote of the Board.

3.10 Fees and Compensation of Directors.

Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws, the Board shall have the authority to fix the compensation, including fees and reimbursement of expenses, of directors for services to the Corporation in any capacity.

Article IV - Committees

4.1 Committees of Directors.

The Board may designate one (1) or more committees, each committee to consist, of one (1) or more of the directors of the Corporation. The Board may designate one (1) or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. In the absence or disqualification of a member of a committee, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not such member or members constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board to act at the meeting in the place of any such absent or disqualified member. Any such committee, to the extent provided in the resolution of the Board or in these bylaws, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Board in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and may authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers that may require it; but no such committee shall have the power or authority to (i) approve or adopt, or recommend to the stockholders, any action or matter expressly required by the DGCL to be submitted to stockholders for approval (other than the election or removal of directors), or (ii) adopt, amend or repeal any bylaw of the Corporation.

4.2 Committee Minutes.

Each committee shall keep regular minutes of its meetings and report the same to the Board when required.

4.3 Meetings and Actions of Committees.

Meetings and actions of committees shall be governed by, and held and taken in accordance with, the provisions of:

- (i) Section 3.5 (place of meetings; meetings by telephone);
- (ii) Section 3.6 (regular meetings);
- (iii) Section 3.7 (special meetings; notice);
- (iv) Section 3.8 (quorum);
- (v) Section 3.9 (board action without a meeting); and
- (vi) Section 7.13 (waiver of notice),

with such changes in the context of those bylaws as are necessary to substitute the committee and its members for the Board and its members. *However*:

- (i) the time of regular meetings of committees may be determined either by resolution of the Board or by resolution of the committee;
- (ii) special meetings of committees may also be called by resolution of the Board or the chairperson of the applicable committee; and
- (iii) the Board may adopt rules for the governance of any committee to override the provisions that would otherwise apply to the committee pursuant to this Section 4.3, provided that such rules do not violate the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation or applicable law.

4.4 Subcommittees.

Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, these bylaws or the resolutions of the Board designating the committee, a committee may create one (1) or more subcommittees, each subcommittee to consist of one (1) or more members of the committee, and delegate to a subcommittee any or all of the powers and authority of the committee.

Article V - Officers

5.1 Officers.

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a chief executive officer (the "Chief Executive Officer"), a president (the "President") (who may or may not be the Chief Executive Officer), a chief financial officer (the "Chief Financial Officer"), one (1) or more vice presidents (each a "Vice President"), a secretary (the "Secretary"), a treasurer (the "Treasurer"), a chairperson of the Board (the "Chairperson") and such other officers as the Board may from time to time determine, each of whom shall be appointed by the Board, each to have the authority, functions or duty as set forth in these bylaws or as determined by the Board. Any number of offices may be held by the same person. No officer need be a stockholder or director of the Corporation.

5.2 Appointment of Officers.

The Board shall appoint the officers of the Corporation, except such officers as may be appointed in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.3 of these bylaws.

5.3 Subordinate Officers.

The Board may appoint, or empower the Chief Executive Officer or, in the absence of a Chief Executive Officer, the President, to appoint, such other officers and agents as the business of the Corporation may require. Each of such officers and agents shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as are provided in these bylaws or as the Board or the officer appointing such other officers and agents may from time to time determine, subject in each case to the control of the Board.

5.4 Removal and Resignation of Officers.

Subject to the rights, if any, of an officer under any contract of employment, any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by the Board or, except in the case of an officer chosen by the Board, by any officer upon whom such power of removal may be conferred by the Board.

Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Corporation. Any resignation shall take effect at the date of the receipt of that notice or at any later time specified in that notice. Unless otherwise specified in the notice of resignation, the acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. Any resignation is without prejudice to the rights, if any, of the Corporation under any contract to which the officer is a party.

5.5 Vacancies in Offices.

Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Corporation shall be filled by the Board or as provided in Section 5.2. The Board, in its discretion, from time to time may determine not to appoint one or more of the officers identified in the first sentence of Section 5.1 or to leave such officer position vacant.

5.6 Representation of Equity Interests of Other Entities.

The Chairperson of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or the President of this Corporation, or any other person authorized by the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or the President, is authorized to vote, represent and exercise on behalf of this Corporation all rights incident to any and all shares or voting securities of any other corporation or other person standing in the name of this Corporation. The authority granted herein may be exercised either by such person directly or by any other person authorized to do so by proxy or power of attorney duly executed by such person having the authority.

5.7 Authority and Duties of Officers.

All officers of the Corporation shall respectively have such authority and perform such duties in the management of the business of the Corporation as may be provided herein or designated from time to time by the Board and, to the extent not so provided, as generally pertain to their respective offices, subject to the control of the Board.

5.8 Compensation.

The compensation of the officers of the Corporation for their services as such shall be fixed from time to time by or at the direction of the Board. An officer of the Corporation shall not be prevented from receiving compensation by reason of the fact that he or she is also a director of the Corporation.

Article VI - Records

A stock ledger consisting of one or more records in which the names of all of the Corporation's stockholders of record, the address and number of shares registered in the name of each such stockholder, and all issuances and transfers of stock of the corporation are recorded in accordance with Section 224 of the DGCL shall be administered by or on behalf of the Corporation. Any records administered by or on behalf of the Corporation in the regular course of its business, including its stock ledger, books of account, and minute books, may be kept on, or by means of, or be in the form of, any information storage device, or method, or one or more electronic networks or databases (including one or more distributed electronic networks or databases), provided that the records so kept can be converted into clearly legible paper form within a reasonable time and, with respect to the stock ledger, that the records so kept (i) can be used to prepare the list of stockholders specified in Sections 219 and 220 of the DGCL, (ii) record the information specified in Sections 156, 159, 217(a) and 218 of the DGCL, and (iii) record transfers of stock as governed by Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in the State of Delaware.

Article VII - General Matters

7.1 Execution of Corporate Contracts and Instruments.

The Board, except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, may authorize any officer or officers, or agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation; such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

7.2 Stock Certificates.

The shares of the Corporation shall be represented by certificates, provided that the Board by resolution may provide that some or all of the shares of any class or series of stock of the Corporation shall be uncertificated. Certificates for the shares of stock, if any, shall be in such form as is consistent with the Certificate of Incorporation and applicable law. Every holder of stock represented by a certificate shall be entitled to have a certificate signed by, or in the name of the Corporation by, any two officers authorized to sign stock certificates representing the number of shares registered in certificate form. Such authorized officers shall consist of the Corporation's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, General Counsel or any other officer authorized by the Board to sign such stock certificates. Any or all of the signatures on the certificate may be a facsimile. In case any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate has ceased to be such officer, transfer agent or registrar at the date of issue.

7.3 Special Designation of Certificates.

If the Corporation is authorized to issue more than one class of stock or more than one series of any class, then the powers, the designations, the preferences and the relative, participating, optional or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences and/or rights shall be set forth in full or summarized on the face or on the back of the certificate that the Corporation shall issue to represent such class or series of stock (or, in the case of uncertificated shares, set forth in a notice provided pursuant to Section 151 of the DGCL); provided, however, that except as otherwise provided in Section 202 of the DGCL, in lieu of the foregoing requirements, there may be set forth on the face or back of the certificate that the Corporation shall issue to represent such class or series of stock (or, in the case of any uncertificated shares, included in the aforementioned notice) a statement that the Corporation will furnish without charge to each stockholder who so requests the powers, the designations, the preferences and the relative, participating, optional or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences and/or rights.

7.4 Lost Certificates.

Except as provided in this Section 7.4, no new certificates for shares or uncertificated shares shall be issued to replace a previously issued certificate unless the latter is surrendered to the Corporation and cancelled at the same time. The Corporation may issue a new certificate of stock or uncertificated shares in the place of any certificate theretofore issued by it, alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, and the Corporation may require the owner of the lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, or such owner's legal representative, to give the Corporation a bond sufficient to indemnify it against any claim that may be made against it on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate or uncertificated shares.

7.5 Shares Without Certificates

The Corporation may adopt a system of issuance, recordation and transfer of its shares of stock by electronic or other means not involving the issuance of certificates, provided the use of such system by the Corporation is permitted in accordance with applicable law.

7.6 Construction; Definitions.

Unless the context requires otherwise, the general provisions, rules of construction and definitions in the DGCL shall govern the construction of these bylaws. Without limiting the generality of this provision, the singular number includes the plural and the plural number includes the singular.

7.7 <u>Dividends</u>.

The Board, subject to any restrictions under applicable law (including the DGCL) and the Certificate of Incorporation, may declare and pay dividends upon the shares of its capital stock. Dividends may be paid in cash, in property or in shares of the Corporation's capital stock.

The Board may set apart out of any of the funds of the Corporation available for dividends a reserve or reserves for any proper purpose and may abolish any such reserve. Such purposes shall include but not be limited to equalizing dividends, repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation, and meeting contingencies.

7.8 Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be fixed by resolution of the Board and may be changed by the Board.

7.9 Seal

The Corporation may adopt a corporate seal, which shall be adopted and which may be altered by the Board. The Corporation may use the corporate seal by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or in any other manner reproduced.

7.10 Transfer of Stock.

Shares of the Corporation shall be transferable in the manner prescribed by law and in the Certificate of Incorporation and these bylaws. Shares of stock of the Corporation shall be transferred on the books of the Corporation only by the holder of record thereof or by such holder's attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender to the Corporation of the certificate or certificates representing such shares endorsed by the appropriate person or persons (or by delivery of duly executed instructions with respect to uncertificated shares), with such evidence of the authenticity of such endorsement or execution, transfer, authorization and other matters as the Corporation may reasonably require, and accompanied by all necessary stock transfer stamps. No transfer of stock shall be valid as against the Corporation for any purpose until it shall have been entered in the stock records of the Corporation by an entry showing the names of the persons from and to whom it was transferred.

7.11 Stock Transfer Agreements.

The Corporation shall have power to enter into and perform any agreement with any number of stockholders of any one or more classes or series of stock of the Corporation to restrict the transfer of shares of stock of the Corporation of any one or more classes owned by such stockholders in any manner not prohibited by the DGCL.

7.12 Registered Stockholders.

The Corporation:

- (i) shall be entitled to recognize the exclusive right of a person registered on its books as the owner of shares to receive dividends and to vote as such owner; and
- (ii) shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or shares on the part of another person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by the laws of the State of Delaware.

7.13 Waiver of Notice.

Whenever notice is required to be given under any provision of the DGCL, the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws, a written waiver, signed by the person entitled to notice, or a waiver by electronic transmission by the person entitled to notice, whether before or after the time of the event for which notice is to be given, shall be deemed equivalent to notice. Attendance of a person at a meeting shall constitute a waiver

of notice of such meeting, except when the person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the stockholders need be specified in any written waiver of notice or any waiver by electronic transmission unless so required by the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws.

Article VIII - Notice

8.1 Delivery of Notice; Notice by Electronic Transmission.

Without limiting the manner by which notice otherwise may be given effectively to stockholders, any notice to stockholders given by the Corporation under any provisions of the DGCL, the Certificate of Incorporation, or these bylaws may be given in writing directed to the stockholder's mailing address (or by electronic transmission directed to the stockholder's electronic mail address, as applicable) as it appears on the records of the Corporation and shall be given (1) if mailed, when the notice is deposited in the U.S. mail, postage prepaid, (2) if delivered by courier service, the earlier of when the notice is received or left at such stockholder's address or (3) if given by electronic mail, when directed to such stockholder's electronic mail address unless the stockholder has notified the Corporation in writing or by electronic transmission of an objection to receiving notice by electronic mail or such notice is prohibited by Section 232(e) of the DGCL. A notice by electronic mail must include a prominent legend that the communication is an important notice regarding the Corporation.

Without limiting the manner by which notice otherwise may be given effectively to stockholders, any notice to stockholders given by the Corporation under any provision of the DGCL, the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws shall be effective if given by a form of electronic transmission consented to by the stockholder to whom the notice is given. Any such consent shall be revocable by the stockholder by written notice or electronic transmission to the Corporation. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the Corporation may give a notice by electronic mail in accordance with the first paragraph of this section without obtaining the consent required by this paragraph.

Any notice given pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall be deemed given:

- (i) if by facsimile telecommunication, when directed to a number at which the stockholder has consented to receive notice;
- (ii) if by a posting on an electronic network together with separate notice to the stockholder of such specific posting, upon the later of (A) such posting and (B) the giving of such separate notice; and
- (iii) if by any other form of electronic transmission, when directed to the stockholder.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a notice may not be given by an electronic transmission from and after the time that (1) the Corporation is unable to deliver by such electronic transmission two (2) consecutive notices given by the Corporation and (2) such inability becomes known to the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Corporation or to the transfer agent, or other person responsible for the giving of notice, *provided*, *however*, the inadvertent failure to discover such inability shall not invalidate any meeting or other action.

An affidavit of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary or of the transfer agent or other agent of the Corporation that the notice has been given shall, in the absence of fraud, be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein.

Article IX - Indemnification

9.1 Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any current or former director or officer of the Corporation who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "Proceeding") by reason of the fact that he or she, or a person for whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or, while serving as a director or officer of the Corporation, is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity (a "covered person"), including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid in settlement) reasonably incurred by such person in connection with any such Proceeding. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, except as otherwise provided in Section 9.4, the Corporation shall be required to indemnify a person in connection with a Proceeding initiated by such person only if the Proceeding was authorized in the specific case by the Board.

9.2 Indemnification of Others.

The Corporation shall have the power to indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any current or former employee or agent of the Corporation who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any Proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she, or a person for whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was an employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person in connection with any such Proceeding.

9.3 Prepayment of Expenses.

The Corporation shall to the fullest extent not prohibited by applicable law pay the expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by any covered person, and may pay the expenses incurred by any current or former employee or agent of the Corporation, in defending any Proceeding in advance of its final disposition; *provided*, *however*, that such payment of expenses in advance of the final disposition of the Proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the person to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the person is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article IX or otherwise.

9.4 Determination; Claim.

If a claim for indemnification (following the final disposition of such Proceeding) under this Article IX is not paid in full within sixty (60) days, or a claim for advancement of expenses under this Article IX is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the

claimant may thereafter (but not before) file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim to the fullest extent permitted by law. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification or advancement of expenses under applicable law.

9.5 Non-Exclusivity of Rights.

The rights conferred on any person by this Article IX shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Certificate of Incorporation, these bylaws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

9.6 <u>Insurance</u>.

The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust enterprise or non-profit entity against any liability asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in any such capacity, or arising out of his or her status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify him or her against such liability under the provisions of the DGCL.

9.7 Other Indemnification.

The Corporation's obligation, if any, to indemnify or advance expenses to any person who was or is serving at its request as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity shall be reduced by any amount such person may collect as indemnification or advancement of expenses from such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit enterprise.

9.8 Continuation of Indemnification.

The rights to indemnification and to prepayment of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, this Article IX shall continue notwithstanding that the person has ceased to be a director or officer of the Corporation and shall inure to the benefit of the estate, heirs, executors, administrators, legatees and distributees of such person.

9.9 <u>Amendment or Repeal; Interpretation; Stockholders Agreement.</u>

The provisions of this Article IX shall constitute a contract between the Corporation, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, each individual who serves or has served as a director or officer of the Corporation (whether before or after the adoption of these bylaws), in consideration of such person's performance of such services, and pursuant to this Article IX the Corporation intends to be legally bound to each such current or former director or officer of the Corporation. With respect to current and former directors and officers of the Corporation, the rights conferred under this Article IX are present contractual rights are fully vested, and shall be deemed to have vested fully, immediately upon adoption of these bylaws. With respect to any directors or officers of the Corporation who commence service following adoption of these bylaws, the rights conferred under this provision shall be present contractual rights and such rights shall fully vest, and be deemed to have vested fully, immediately upon such director or officer commencing service as a director or officer of the Corporation. Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article IX shall not

adversely affect any right or protection (i) hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification or (ii) under any agreement providing for indemnification or advancement of expenses to an officer or director of the Corporation in effect prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

Any reference to an officer of the Corporation in this Article IX shall be deemed to refer exclusively to the Chief Executive Officer, President, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Chairperson and Secretary, or other officer of the Corporation appointed by (x) the Board pursuant to Article V of these bylaws or (y) an officer to whom the Board has delegated the power to appoint officers pursuant to Article V of these bylaws, and any reference to an officer of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise shall be deemed to refer exclusively to an officer appointed by the board of directors (or equivalent governing body) of such other entity pursuant to the certificate of incorporation and bylaws (or equivalent organizational documents) of such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise. For the avoidance of doubt, the fact that any person who is or was an employee of the Corporation or an employee of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise has been given or has used the title of "Vice President" or any other title that could be construed to suggest or imply that such person is or may be an officer of the Corporation or of such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise shall not result in such person being constituted as, or being deemed to be, an officer of the Corporation or of such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise for purposes of this Article IX.

So long as the Stockholders Agreement is in effect, in the event of any conflict between the terms of these bylaws and those contained in the Stockholders Agreement, the terms and provisions of the Stockholders Agreement shall govern and control to the fullest extent permitted by law, except as provided otherwise by mandatory provisions of the DGCL.

Article X - Amendments

The Board is expressly empowered to adopt, amend or repeal the bylaws of the Corporation. The stockholders also shall have power to adopt, amend or repeal the bylaws of the Corporation; *provided*, *however*, that such action by stockholders shall require, in addition to any other vote required by the Certificate of Incorporation or applicable law, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the voting power of all the thenoutstanding shares of voting stock of the Corporation with the power to vote generally in an election of directors, voting together as a single class.

Article XI - Definitions

As used in these bylaws, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

An "<u>electronic transmission</u>" means any form of communication, not directly involving the physical transmission of paper, including the use of, or participation in, one or more electronic networks or databases (including one or more distributed electronic networks or databases), that creates a record that may be retained, retrieved and reviewed by a recipient thereof, and that may be directly reproduced in paper form by such a recipient through an automated process.

An "<u>electronic mail</u>" means an electronic transmission directed to a unique electronic mail address (which electronic mail shall be deemed to include any files attached thereto and any information hyperlinked to a website if such electronic mail includes the contact information of an officer or agent of the Corporation who is available to assist with accessing such files and information).

An "<u>electronic mail address</u>" means a destination, commonly expressed as a string of characters, consisting of a unique user name or mailbox (commonly referred to as the "local part" of the address) and a reference to an internet domain (commonly referred to as the "domain part" of the address), whether or not displayed, to which electronic mail can be sent or delivered.

The term "person" means any individual, general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, corporation, trust, business trust, joint stock company, joint venture, unincorporated association, cooperative or association or any other legal entity or organization of whatever nature, and shall include any successor (by merger or otherwise) of such entity.

Bioventus Inc.

Certificate of Amendment and Restatement of Bylaws

The undersigned hereby certifies that he is the duly elected, qualified, and acting Secretary of Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), and that the foregoing bylaws were approved on February 3, 2021, effective as of February 10, 2021 by the Corporation's board of directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand this 10th day of February, 2021.

/s/ Anthony D'Adamio

Anthony D'Adamio

Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary

BIOVENTUS LLC

SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

Dated as of February 16, 2021

THE COMPANY INTERESTS REPRESENTED BY THIS SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, OR UNDER ANY OTHER APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS. SUCH COMPANY INTERESTS MAY NOT BE SOLD, ASSIGNED, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF AT ANY TIME WITHOUT EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT AND LAWS OR EXEMPTION THEREFROM, AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE OTHER SUBSTANTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERABILITY SET FORTH HEREIN.

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BIOVENTUS LLC

SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

This SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT (this "*Agreement*"), dated as of February 16, 2021, is entered into by and among Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*Company*"), and its Members (as defined herein).

WHEREAS, the Company initially was formed as a limited liability company with the name "Bioventus LLC", pursuant to and in accordance with the Delaware Act (as defined herein) by the filing of the Certificate (as defined herein) with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware pursuant to Section 18-201 of the Delaware Act on November 23, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Company entered into a Limited Liability Company Agreement, dated as of November 29, 2011 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time to but excluding May 4, 2012, together with all schedules, exhibits and annexes thereto, the "*Initial LLC Agreement*"), with the members of the Company party thereto;

WHEREAS, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement, dated as of May 4, 2012 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time to but excluding the date hereof, together with all schedules, exhibits and annexes thereto, the "First A&R LLC Agreement"), which the parties listed on Schedule 1 hereto have executed in their capacity as members (including pursuant to consent and joinders thereto) (collectively, the "Pre-IPO Members");

WHEREAS, the Pre-IPO Members, prior to the date hereof, hold Preferred Units, Common Units, OUS Units, the EPR Unit and Profits Interest Units (as defined in the First A&R LLC Agreement, respectively, the "Original Preferred Units", the "Original Common Units", the "Original EPR Unit" and the "Original Profits Interests Units", and collectively, the "Original Units") of the Company;

WHEREAS, the Company desires to have Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), effect an initial public offering (the "IPO") of shares of its Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 (the "Class A Common Stock"), and in connection therewith, to amend and restate the First A&R LLC Agreement as of the Effective Time (as defined herein) to reflect (a) a recapitalization of the Company and the associated split in the number of Units (as defined herein) then outstanding (the "Recapitalization"), (b) the addition of the Corporation as a Member (as defined herein) in the Company and its designation as sole Manager (as defined herein) of the Company, and (c) the rights and obligations of the Members of the Company that are enumerated and agreed upon in the terms of this Agreement effective as of the Effective Time, at which time the First A&R LLC Agreement shall be superseded entirely by this Agreement;

WHEREAS, in connection with the Recapitalization and as of the Effective Time, the Original Units of each Pre-IPO Member will be converted into Common Units (as defined herein);

WHEREAS, the parties listed on <u>Schedule 2</u> hereto are the members of the Company as of the Effective Time and after giving effect to the Recapitalization (the "*Effective Date Members*");

WHEREAS, prior to the IPO Closing Date, the shareholders of each Blocker Corp (as defined herein) will contribute all of their shares of stock in each Blocker Corp to the Corporation in exchange for Class A Common Stock and thereafter each Blocker Corp will merge with and into the Corporation, in each case, pursuant to an integrated plan that is intended to be treated as a reorganization with the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code (the "*Blocker Roll Up*");

WHEREAS, the Corporation will sell shares of its Class A Common Stock to public investors in the IPO and will use the net proceeds received from the IPO (the "*IPO Net Proceeds*") to purchase newly issued Common Units from the Company pursuant to that certain IPO Common Unit Purchase Agreement (as defined herein);

WHEREAS, the Corporation will issue additional shares of Class A Common Stock in connection with the IPO in the event the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option (the "Over-Allotment Option"), and any resulting additional net proceeds (the "Over-Allotment Option Net Proceeds") will be used by the Corporation to purchase newly issued Common Units from the Company pursuant to the IPO Common Unit Purchase Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Members, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall be applied to the terms used in this Agreement for all purposes, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary.

"9.9% Member" means (i) a Member that holds a direct Percentage Interest of at least 9.9% or (ii) a Person that holds, directly and/or indirectly and together with such Person's Affiliates, a Percentage Interest of at least 9.9% provided that the Company has knowledge that such Person (together with such Person's Affiliates) holds, directly and/or indirectly, a Percentage Interest of at least 9.9%.

"Additional Member" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.02.

- "Adjusted Capital Account Deficit" means with respect to the Capital Account of any Member as of the end of any Taxable Year, the amount by which the balance in such Capital Account is less than zero. For this purpose, such Member's Capital Account balance shall be:
 - (a) reduced for any items described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704- 1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(4), (5), and (6); and
 - (b) increased for any amount such Member is obligated to contribute or is treated as being obligated to contribute to the Company pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(c) (relating to partner liabilities to a partnership) or 1.704-2(g)(1) and 1.704-2(i) (relating to minimum gain).
 - "Admission Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 10.06.
- "Affiliate" (and, with a correlative meaning, "Affiliated") means, with respect to a specified Person, each other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person specified. As used in this definition and the definition of Majority Members, "control" (including with correlative meanings, "controlled by" and "under common control with") means possession, directly or indirectly, of power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies (whether through ownership of voting securities or by contract or other agreement).
 - "Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.
 - "Appraisers" has the meaning set forth in Section 15.02.
 - "Assignee" means a Person to whom a Company Interest has been transferred but who has not become a Member pursuant to Article XII.
- "Assumed Tax Liability" means, with respect to a Member, an amount equal to the Distribution Tax Rate multiplied by the estimated or actual taxable income of the Company, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes, allocated to such Member pursuant to Section 5.05 for the period to which the Assumed Tax Liability relates, less prior losses of the Company, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes, allocated to such Member pursuant to Section 5.05 to the extent not previously taken into account in determining the Assumed Tax Liability of such Member, as reasonably determined by the Manager.
 - "Award Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.01(a).
- "Base Rate" means, on any date, a variable rate per annum equal to the rate of interest most recently published by The Wall Street Journal as the "prime rate" at large U.S. money center banks.
- "Black-Out Period" means any "black-out" or similar period under the Corporation's policies covering trading in the Corporation's securities to which the applicable Redeeming Member is subject, which period restricts the ability of such Redeeming Member to immediately resell shares of Class A Common Stock to be delivered to such Redeeming Member in connection with a Share Settlement.
 - "Blocker Corps" means the Pre-IPO Members other than Smith & Nephew, Inc.

- "*Book Value*" means, with respect to any Company property, the Company's adjusted basis for U.S. federal income tax purposes, adjusted from time to time to reflect the adjustments required or permitted by Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(d)-(g).
- "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a day on which banks located in New York City, New York generally are authorized or required by Law to close.
 - "Capital Account" means the capital account maintained for a Member in accordance with Section 5.01.
- "*Capital Contribution*" means, with respect to any Member, the amount of any cash, cash equivalents, promissory obligations or the Fair Market Value of other property that such Member contributes (or is deemed to contribute) to the Company pursuant to <u>Article III</u> hereof.
 - "Cash Settlement" means immediately available funds in U.S. dollars in an amount equal to the Redeemed Units Equivalent.
 - "Certificate" means the Company's Certificate of Formation as filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware.
- "Change of Control Transaction" means (a) a sale of all or substantially all of the Company's assets determined on a consolidated basis (including, without limitation, as a result of the sale of equity securities of any Subsidiary of the Company) or (b) a sale of a majority of the Company's outstanding Units (other than (i) to the Corporation or (ii) in connection with a Redemption or Exchange in accordance with Article XI); in any such case, whether by merger, recapitalization, consolidation, reorganization, combination or otherwise; provided, however, that neither (w) a transaction solely between the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, on the one hand, and the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, on the other hand, (x) nor a transaction solely for the purpose of changing the jurisdiction of domicile of the Company, nor (y) a transaction solely for the purpose of changing the form of entity of the Company, nor (z) a sale of a majority of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, whether by merger, recapitalization, consolidation, reorganization, combination or otherwise, shall in each case of clauses (w), (x), (y) and (z) constitute a Change of Control Transaction.
 - "Class A Common Stock" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
 - "Class B Common Stock" means the Class B Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Corporation.
 - "Code" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- "Common Unit" means a Unit representing a fractional part of the Company Interests of the Members and having the rights and obligations specified with respect to the Common Units in this Agreement.
- "Common Unit Redemption Price" means the arithmetic average of the volume weighted average prices for a share of Class A Common Stock on the principal U.S. securities

exchange or automated or electronic quotation system on which the Class A Common Stock trades, as reported by Bloomberg, L.P., or its successor, for each of the five (5) consecutive full Trading Days ending on and including the last full Trading Day immediately prior to the Redemption Date, subject to appropriate and equitable adjustment for any stock splits, reverse splits, stock dividends or similar events affecting the Class A Common Stock. If the Class A Common Stock no longer trades on a securities exchange or automated or electronic quotation system, then a majority of the Independent Directors shall determine the Common Unit Redemption Price in good faith.

- "Common Unitholder" means a Member who is the registered holder of Common Units.
- "Company" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.
- "Company Interest" means the interest of a Member in Profits, Losses and Distributions.
- "Contribution Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(b).
- "Corporate Board" means the Board of Directors of the Corporation.
- "Corporate Incentive Award Plan" means the Bioventus Inc. 2021 Incentive Award Plan, as the same may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.
 - "Corporation" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement, together with its successors and assigns.
- "Credit Agreement" means that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of December 6, 2019, by and among the Company, as borrower, the several banks and other financial institutions or entities from time to time parties thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as syndication agent, administrative agent and collateral agent, including all exhibits, schedules and attachments thereto as the same may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time and including any one or more refinancings or replacements thereof, in whole or in part, with any other debt facility or debt obligation.
- "Delaware Act" means the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, 6 Del.L. § 18-101, et seq., as it may be amended from time to time, and any successor thereto.
 - "Direct Exchange" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.03(a).
- "*Distributable Cash*" shall mean, as of any relevant date on which a determination is being made by the Manager regarding a potential distribution pursuant to <u>Section 4.01(a)</u>, the amount of cash that could be distributed by the Company for such purposes in accordance with the Credit Agreement (and without otherwise violating any applicable provisions of the Credit Agreement).
- "*Distribution*" (and, with a correlative meaning, "*Distribute*") means each distribution made by the Company to a Member with respect to such Member's Units, whether in cash, property or securities of the Company and whether by liquidating distribution or otherwise;

provided, *however*, that none of the following shall be a Distribution: (a) any recapitalization that does not result in the distribution of cash or property to Members or any exchange of securities of the Company, and any subdivision (by Unit split or otherwise) or any combination (by reverse Unit split or otherwise) of any outstanding Units or (b) any other payment made by the Company to a Member that is not properly treated as a "distribution" for purposes of Sections 731, 732, or 733 or other applicable provisions of the Code.

"Distribution Tax Rate" shall mean a rate equal to the highest effective marginal combined U.S. federal, state and local income tax rate for a Fiscal Year applicable to a domestic corporation whose principal place of business is in New York City, New York (taking into account the deductibility of state and local taxes) as reasonably determined by the Manager.

"Effective Date Members" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.

"Effective Time" has the meaning set forth in Section 16.17.

"Equity Plan" means any stock or equity purchase plan, restricted stock or equity plan or other similar equity compensation plan now or hereafter adopted by the Company or the Corporation.

"Equity Securities" means (a) Units or other equity interests in the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company (including other classes or groups thereof having such relative rights, powers and duties as may from time to time be established by the Manager pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, including rights, powers and/or duties senior to existing classes and groups of Units and other equity interests in the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, (b) obligations, evidences of indebtedness or other securities or interests convertible or exchangeable into Units or other equity interests in the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, and (c) warrants, options or other rights to purchase or otherwise acquire Units or other equity interests in the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company.

"Event of Withdrawal" means the expulsion, bankruptcy or dissolution of a Member or the occurrence of any other event that terminates the continued membership of a Member in the Company. "Event of Withdrawal" shall not include an event that (a) terminates the existence of a Member for income tax purposes (including, without limitation, (i) a change in entity classification of a Member under Treasury Regulations Section 301.7701-3, (ii) a sale of assets by, or liquidation of, a Member pursuant to an election under Code Sections 336 or 338, or (iii) merger, severance, or allocation within a trust or among sub-trusts of a trust that is a Member) but that (b) does not terminate the existence of such Member under applicable state law (or, in the case of a trust that is a Member, does not terminate the trusteeship of the fiduciaries under such trust with respect to all the Company Interests of such trust that is a Member).

"Exchange Election Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.03(b).

"Fair Market Value" means, with respect to any asset, its fair market value determined according to Article XV.

"First A&R LLC Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.

- "Fiscal Period" means any interim accounting period within a Taxable Year established by the Company and which is permitted or required by Section 706 of the Code.
 - "Fiscal Year" means the Company's annual accounting period established pursuant to Section 8.02.
- "Governmental Entity" means (a) the United States of America, (b) any other sovereign nation, (c) any state, province, district, territory or other political subdivision of (a) or (b) of this definition, including any county, municipal or other local subdivision of the foregoing, or (d) any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of government on behalf of (a), (b) or (c) of this definition.
 - "Indemnified Person" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.05(a).
- "Independent Directors" means the members of the Corporate Board who are "independent" under the standards set forth in Rule 10A-3 promulgated under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1933, as amended, and the corresponding rules of the applicable exchange on which the Class A Common Stock is traded or quoted.
 - "Initial LLC Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
 - "Investment Company Act" means the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time.
 - "IPO" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "IPO Closing Date" means the closing date of the IPO, which for the avoidance of doubt means the date on which all IPO Net Proceeds required to be delivered pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement have been delivered to the Corporation in respect of its sale of Class A Common Stock excluding any proceeds from the Over-Allotment Option which may be delivered at a subsequent date following exercise of such option.
 - "IPO Common Unit Purchase" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.03(b).
- "IPO Common Unit Purchase Agreement" means that certain Common Unit Purchase Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and among the Corporation and the Company.
 - "IPO Net Proceeds" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
 - "Joinder" means a joinder to this Agreement, in form and substance substantially similar to Exhibit A to this Agreement.
- "Law" means all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations of the United States, any foreign country and each state, commonwealth, city, county, municipality, regulatory body, agency or other political subdivision thereof.
 - "LLC Employee" means an employee of, or other service provider to, the Company or any Subsidiary, in each case acting in such capacity.

"Losses" means items of Company loss or deduction determined according to Section 5.01(b).

"Majority Members" means the Members holding a majority of the Voting Units then outstanding other than Voting Units held by the Manager or any of its Affiliates.

"Manager" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.01.

"Market Price" means, with respect to a share of Class A Common Stock as of a specified date, the last sale price per share of Class A Common Stock, regular way, or if no such sale took place on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices per share of Class A Common Stock, regular way, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the Stock Exchange or, if the Class A Common Stock is not listed or admitted to trading on the Stock Exchange, as reported on the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed on the principal national securities exchange on which the Class A Common Stock is listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, the last quoted price, or, if not so quoted, the average of the high bid and low asked prices in the over-the-counter market, as reported by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Automated Quotation System or, if such system is no longer in use, the principal other automated quotation system that may then be in use or, if the Class A Common Stock is not quoted by any such organization, the average of the closing bid and asked prices as furnished by a professional market maker making a market in the Class A Common Stock selected by the Corporate Board or, in the event that no trading price is available for the shares of Class A Common Stock, the fair market value of a share of Class A Common Stock, as determined in good faith by the Corporate Board.

"*Member*" means, as of any date of determination, (a) each of the members named on the Schedule of Members and (b) any Person admitted to the Company as a Substituted Member or Additional Member in accordance with <u>Article XII</u>, but in each case only so long as such Person is shown on the Company's books and records as the owner of one or more Units.

"Minimum Gain" means "partnership minimum gain" determined pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(d).

"*Net Loss*" means, with respect to a Fiscal Year, the excess if any, of Losses for such Fiscal Year over Profits for such Fiscal Year (excluding Profits and Losses specially allocated pursuant to <u>Section 5.03</u> and <u>Section 5.04</u>).

"Net Profit" means, with respect to a Fiscal Year, the excess if any, of Profits for such Fiscal Year over Losses for such Fiscal Year (excluding Profits and Losses specially allocated pursuant to Section 5.03 and Section 5.04).

"Officer" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.01(b).

"Optionee" means a Person to whom a stock option is granted under any Stock Option Plan.

- "Original Common Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Original Class B Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Original Preferred Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Original Profits Interests Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Original OUS Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Original Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Other Agreements" has the meaning set forth in Section 10.04.
- "Other Business" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.02(b).
- "Over-Allotment Option" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Over-Allotment Option Net Proceeds" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
- "Partnership Representative" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.03.
- "*Percentage Interest*" means, as among an individual class of Units and with respect to a Member at a particular time, such Member's percentage interest in the Company determined by dividing such Member's Units of such class by the total Units of all Members of such class at such time. The Percentage Interest of each member shall be calculated to the 4th decimal place.
 - "Permitted Transfer" has the meaning set forth in Section 10.02.
- "*Person*" means an individual or any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trust, unincorporated organization, association, joint venture or any other organization or entity, whether or not a legal entity.
- "Pro rata," "pro rata portion," "according to their interests," "ratably," "proportionately," "proportional," "in proportion to," "based on the number of Units held," "based upon the percentage of Units held," "based upon the number of Units outstanding," and other terms with similar meanings, when used in the context of a number of Units of the Company relative to other Units, means as amongst an individual class of Units, pro rata based upon the number of such Units within such class of Units.
 - "Profits" means items of Company income and gain determined according to Section 5.01(b).
 - "Recapitalization" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.
 - "Redeemed Units" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(a).

- "Redeemed Units Equivalent" means the product of (a) the Share Settlement, times (b) the Common Unit Redemption Price.
- "Redeeming Member" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(a).
- "Redemption" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(a).
- "Redemption Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(a).
- "Redemption Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(a).
- "Redemption Right" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(a).
- "Registration Rights Agreement" means that certain Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and among the Corporation, S&N, Smith & Nephew OUS, Inc., a Delaware corporation, EW Healthcare Partners Acquisition Fund, L.P., Spindletop Healthcare Capital L.P., Pantheon Global Co-Investment, AMP-CF Holdings, LLC and Alta Partners VIII, L.P. (together with any joinder thereto from time to time by any successor or assign to any party to such Agreement).
 - "Retraction Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01(b).
- "*Revised Partnership Audit Provisions*" shall mean Section 1101 of Title XI (Revenue Provisions Related to Tax Compliance) of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, H.R. 1314, Public Law Number 114-74, any amendments thereto, and any regulations or other official guidance issued with respect thereto.
 - "S&N" means Smith & Nephew, Inc., a Delaware corporation and its successors and assigns.
 - "Schedule of Members" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(b).
 - "SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including any governmental body or agency succeeding to the functions thereof.
- "Securities Act" means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and applicable rules and regulations thereunder, and any successor to such statute, rules or regulations. Any reference herein to a specific section, rule or regulation of the Securities Act shall be deemed to include any corresponding provisions of future Law.
 - "Share Settlement" means a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the number of Redeemed Units.
 - "Specified Person" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.05(d).
 - "Stock Exchange" means the New York Stock Exchange.

"Stock Option Plan" means any stock option plan now or hereafter adopted by the Company or by the Corporation, including the Corporate Incentive Award Plan.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or business entity of which (a) if a corporation, a majority of the total voting power of shares of stock entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by that Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of that Person or a combination thereof, or (b) if a limited liability company, partnership, association or other business entity (other than a corporation), a majority of the voting interests thereof are at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any Person or one or more Subsidiaries of that Person or a combination thereof. For purposes hereof, references to a "Subsidiary" of the Company shall be given effect only at such times that the Company has one or more Subsidiaries, and, unless otherwise indicated, the term "Subsidiary" refers to a Subsidiary of the Company.

"Substituted Member" means a Person that is admitted as a Member to the Company pursuant to Section 12.01.

"Tax Distribution Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.01(b)(i).

"Tax Distributions" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.01(b)(i).

"*Tax Receivable Agreement*" means that certain Tax Receivable Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and among the Corporation, the Company and S&N (together with any joinder thereto from time to time by any successor or assign to any party to such Agreement).

"Taxable Year" means the Company's accounting period for U.S. federal income tax purposes determined pursuant to Section 9.02.

"*Trading Day*" means a day on which the Stock Exchange or such other principal United States securities exchange on which the Class A Common Stock is listed or admitted to trading is open for the transaction of business (unless such trading shall have been suspended for the entire day).

"*Transfer*" (and, with a correlative meaning, "*Transferring*") means, in respect of any Unit, property or other asset, any sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance or other disposition (whether directly or indirectly, whether with or without consideration and whether voluntarily or involuntarily or by operation of Law), including without limitation, the exchange of any Unit for any other security.

"*Treasury Regulations*" means the income tax regulations promulgated under the Code and any corresponding provisions of succeeding regulations.

"*Underwriting Agreement*" means the Underwriting Agreement, dated as of February 10, 2021, by and among the Corporation, the Company, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC and Canaccord Genuity Securities LLC and the other underwriters named therein, if any.

"*Unit*" means a Company Interest of a Member or a permitted Assignee in the Company representing a fractional part of the Company Interests of all Members and Assignees as may be established by the Manager from time to time in accordance with <u>Section 3.02</u>; *provided*, *however*, that any class or group of Units issued shall have the relative rights, powers and duties set forth in this Agreement, and the Company Interest represented by such class or group of Units shall be determined in accordance with such relative rights, powers and duties.

"Unitholder" means a Common Unitholder and any Member who is the registered holder of any other class of Units, if any.

"Unvested Corporate Shares" means shares of Class A Common Stock issued pursuant to the Corporate Incentive Award Plan that are not Vested Corporate Shares.

"Value" means (a) for any Stock Option Plan, the Market Price for the trading day immediately preceding the date of exercise of a stock option under such Stock Option Plan and (b) for any Equity Plan other than a Stock Option Plan, the Market Price for the trading day immediately preceding the Vesting Date.

"Vested Corporate Shares" means the shares of Class A Common Stock issued pursuant to the Corporate Incentive Award Plan that are vested pursuant to the terms thereof or any award or similar agreement relating thereto.

"Vesting Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.10(c)(ii).

"Voting Units" means (a) the Common Units and (b) any other Units other than Units that by their express terms do not entitle the record holder thereof to vote on any matter presented to the Members generally under this Agreement for approval; provided that (i) no vote by Voting Units shall have the power to override any action taken by the Manager or to remove or replace the Manager, (ii) the Voting Units have no ability to take part in the conduct or control of the Company's business and (iii) notwithstanding any vote by Voting Units hereunder, the Manager shall retain exclusive management power over the business and affairs of the Company in accordance with Section 6.01(a).

ARTICLE II. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Section 2.01 Formation of Company. The Company was formed on November 23, 2011 pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Act.

Section 2.02 Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement. The Members hereby execute this Agreement for the purpose of establishing the affairs of the Company and the conduct of its business in accordance with the provisions of the Delaware Act. The Members hereby agree that during the term of the Company set forth in Section 2.06 the rights and obligations of the Members with respect to the Company will be determined in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Delaware Act. On any matter upon which this Agreement is silent, the Delaware Act shall control. No provision of this Agreement shall be in violation of the Delaware Act and to the extent any provision of this Agreement is in violation of the Delaware Act, such provision shall be void and of no effect to

the extent of such violation without affecting the validity of the other provisions of this Agreement; *provided, however*, that where the Delaware Act provides that a provision of the Delaware Act shall apply "unless otherwise provided in a limited liability company agreement" or words of similar effect, the provisions of this Agreement shall in each instance control; *provided further*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, Section 18-210 of the Delaware Act shall not apply or be incorporated into this Agreement.

- Section 2.03 Name. The name of the Company shall be "Bioventus LLC." The Manager in its sole discretion may change the name of the Company at any time and from time to time. Notification of any such change shall be given to all of the Members and, to the extent practicable, to all of the holders of any Equity Securities then outstanding. The Company's business may be conducted under its name and/or any other name or names deemed advisable by the Manager.
- <u>Section 2.04</u> <u>Purpose</u>. The primary business and purpose of the Company shall be to engage in such activities as are permitted under the Delaware Act and determined from time to time by the Manager in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- Section 2.05 Principal Office; Registered Office. The principal office of the Company shall be at 4721 Emperor Boulevard, Suite 100, Durham, NC 27703, or such other place as the Manager may from time to time designate. The address of the registered office of the Company in the State of Delaware shall be c/o The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, 19801, and the registered agent for service of process on the Company in the State of Delaware at such registered office shall be The Corporation Trust Company. The Manager may from time to time change the Company's registered agent and registered office in the State of Delaware.
- <u>Section 2.06</u> <u>Term.</u> The term of the Company commenced upon the filing of the Certificate in accordance with the Delaware Act and shall continue in existence until termination and dissolution of the Company in accordance with the provisions of <u>Article XIV</u>.
- Section 2.07 No State-Law Partnership. The Members intend that the Company not be a partnership (including, without limitation, a limited partnership) or joint venture, and that no Member be a partner or joint venturer of any other Member by virtue of this Agreement, for any purposes other than as set forth in the last sentence of this Section 2.07, and neither this Agreement nor any other document entered into by the Company or any Member relating to the subject matter hereof shall be construed to suggest otherwise. The Members intend that the Company shall be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal and, if applicable, state or local income tax purposes, and that each Member and the Company shall file all tax returns and shall otherwise take all tax and financial reporting positions in a manner consistent with such treatment.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERS; UNITS; CAPITALIZATION

Section 3.01 Members.

- (a) S&N previously was admitted as a Member and shall remain a Member of the Company upon the Effective Time. At the Effective Time and concurrently with the IPO Common Unit Purchase and the Blocker Roll Up, the Corporation shall be admitted to the Company as a Member.
- (b) The Company shall maintain a schedule setting forth: (i) the name and address of each Member; (ii) the aggregate number of outstanding Units and the number and class of Units held by each Member; (iii) the aggregate amount of cash Capital Contributions that has been made by the Members with respect to their Units; and (iv) the Fair Market Value of any property other than cash contributed by the Members with respect to their Units (including, if applicable, a description and the amount of any liability assumed by the Company or to which contributed property is subject) (such schedule, the "Schedule of Members"). The applicable Schedule of Members in effect as of the Effective Time is set forth as Schedule 2 to this Agreement. The Schedule of Members shall be the definitive record of ownership of each Unit of the Company and all relevant information with respect to each Member. The Company shall be entitled to recognize the exclusive right of a Person registered on its records as the owner of Units for all purposes and shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in Units on the part of any other Person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by the Delaware Act.
- (c) No Member shall be required or, except as approved by the Manager pursuant to <u>Section 6.01</u> and in accordance with the other provisions of this Agreement, permitted to (i) loan any money or property to the Company, (ii) borrow any money or property from the Company, or (iii) make any additional Capital Contributions.

Section 3.02 Units. Interests in the Company shall be represented by Units, or such other securities of the Company, in each case as the Manager may establish in its discretion in accordance with the terms and subject to the restrictions hereof. Immediately after the Effective Time, the Units will be comprised of a single class of Common Units (with an aggregate of 300,000,000 Common Units being authorized for issuance by the Company). To the extent required pursuant to Section 3.04(a), the Manager may create one or more classes or series of Common Units or preferred Units solely to the extent they are in the aggregate substantially equivalent to a class of common stock of the Corporation or class or series of preferred stock of the Corporation; provided that as long as there are any Members of the Company (other than the Corporation), then no such new class or series of Units may deprive such Members of, or dilute or reduce, the pro rata share of all Company Interests they would have received or to which they would have been entitled if such new class or series of Units had not been created except to the extent (and solely to the extent) the Company actually receives cash in an aggregate amount, or other property with a Fair Market Value in an aggregate amount, equal to the pro rata share allocated to such new class or series of Units and the number thereof issued by the Company.

Section 3.03 Recapitalization; the Corporation's Capital Contribution; the Corporation's Purchase of Common Units; Member Distribution.

- (a) *Recapitalization*. In connection with the Recapitalization, immediately prior to the Effective Time, the Original Preferred Units, Original Common Units, Original OUS Units, Original EPR Unit and Original Profits Interests Units that in each case were issued and outstanding and held by the respective Pre-IPO Members prior to the execution and effectiveness of this Agreement in the amounts set forth on <u>Schedule 1</u> are hereby converted into the number of Common Units set forth next to each Effective Date Member on <u>Schedule 2</u> (provided, for the avoidance of doubt, that the number of Common Units set forth on <u>Schedule 2</u> shall include the Common Units issued to the Corporation pursuant to the IPO Common Unit Purchase Agreement), which are hereby issued and outstanding as of the Effective Date.
- (b) *The Corporation's Common Unit Purchase.* (i) Following the Recapitalization, immediately upon the Effective Time, the Corporation will contribute the IPO Net Proceeds to the Company in exchange for 8,000,000 Common Units and (ii) upon the exercise, if any, of the Over-Allotment Option, the Corporation will contribute the Over-Allotment Option Net Proceeds in exchange for a number of Common Units equal to the number of shares with respect to which the Over-Allotment Option is exercised, in each case pursuant to the IPO Common Unit Purchase Agreement (the "IPO Common Unit Purchase"). The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that the IPO Common Unit Purchase will result in a "reevaluation of partnership property" and corresponding adjustments to Capital Account balances as described in Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(f) of the Treasury Regulations.

Section 3.04 Authorization and Issuance of Additional Units.

(a) The Company shall undertake all actions, including, without limitation, a reclassification, distribution, division or recapitalization, with respect to the Common Units, to maintain at all times a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, disregarding, for purposes of maintaining the one-to-one ratio, (i) Unvested Corporate Shares, (ii) treasury stock or (iii) preferred stock or other debt or equity securities (including without limitation warrants, options or rights) issued by the Corporation that are convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Class A Common Stock (except to the extent the net proceeds from such other securities, including any exercise or purchase price payable upon conversion, exercise or exchange thereof, have been contributed by the Corporation to the equity capital of the Company). In the event the Corporation issues, transfers or delivers from treasury stock or repurchases Class A Common Stock in a transaction not contemplated in this Agreement, the Manager shall take all actions such that, after giving effect to all such issuances, transfers, deliveries or repurchases or Class A Common Stock. In the event the Corporation issues, transfers or delivers from treasury stock or repurchases or redeems the Corporation's preferred stock in a transaction not contemplated in this Agreement, the Manager shall have the authority to take all actions such that, after giving effect to all such issuances, transfers, deliveries, repurchases or redemptions, the Corporation holds (in the case of any issuance, transfer or delivery) or ceases to hold (in the case of any repurchase or redemption) equity interests in the Company which (in the good faith determination by the Manager) are in

the aggregate substantially equivalent to the outstanding preferred stock of the Corporation so issued, transferred, delivered, repurchased or redeemed. The Company shall not undertake any subdivision (by any Common Unit split, Common Unit distribution, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) or combination (by reverse Common Unit split, reclassification, recapitalization or similar event) of the Common Units that is not accompanied by an identical subdivision or combination of Class A Common Stock to maintain at all times a one-to-one ratio between the number of Common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of Common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of common Units owned by the Corporation and the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock as contemplated by the first sentence of this Section 3.04(a).

- (b) If at any time the Corporation issues any Equity Security (other than a share of Class A Common Stock) of the Corporation entitled to any economic rights (an "Other Economic Security") with regard thereto (other than Class B Common Stock or another Equity Security of the Corporation not entitled to any economic rights with respect thereto), the Company shall issue to the Corporation such Equity Securities of the Company corresponding to the Other Economic Security with substantially the same rights to dividends and distributions (including distributions upon liquidation) and other economic rights as those of such Other Economic Security, and shall thereafter maintain such correspondence in a manner consistent with the provisions of Section 3.04(a) for maintaining a one-to-one correspondence of the Common Units and Class A Common Stock.
- (c) After the consummation of the IPO, if at any time the Corporation issues any Class A Common Stock or Other Economic Security (other than in connection with any Stock Option Plan, in which case the provisions of Section 3.10 shall apply), the net proceeds received by the Corporation with respect to such Class A Common Stock or Other Economic Security, if any, shall be concurrently contributed to the Company; *provided*, that if the Corporation issues any shares of Class A Common Stock in order to purchase or fund the purchase from another Member (other than the Corporation) of a number of Common Units (and a corresponding number of shares of Class B Common Stock), then the Company shall not issue any new Units in connection therewith and the Corporation shall not be required to transfer such net proceeds to the Company (it being understood that such net proceeds shall instead by transferred to such other Member as consideration for such purchase).
- (d) The Company shall only be permitted to issue additional Units or other Equity Securities in the Company to the Persons and on the terms and conditions provided for in Section 3.02, this Section 3.04, Section 3.10 and Section 3.11. Subject to the foregoing, the Manager may cause the Company to issue additional Common Units authorized under this Agreement at such times and upon such terms as the Manager shall determine and the Manager shall amend this Agreement as necessary in connection with the issuance of additional Common Units and admission of additional Members under this Section 3.04 without the requirement of any consent or acknowledgement of any other Member.

Section 3.05 Repurchase or Redemption of shares of Class A Common Stock or Other Economic Security. If, at any time, any shares of Class A Common Stock or Other Economic Security are repurchased or redeemed (whether by exercise of a put or call, automatically or by

means of another arrangement) by the Corporation for cash, then the Manager shall cause the Company, immediately prior to such repurchase or redemption of Class A Common Stock or Other Economic Security, to redeem a corresponding number of Common Units held by the Corporation (in the case of a repurchase or redemption of Class A Common Stock), or an amount of Equity Securities of the Company corresponding to the Other Economic Securities repurchased or redeemed (in the case of a repurchase or redemption of Other Economic Securities), at an aggregate redemption price equal to the aggregate purchase or redemption price of the shares of Class A Common Stock or Other Economic Security being repurchased or redeemed by the Corporation (plus any expenses related thereto) and upon such other terms as are the same for the shares of Class A Common Stock or Other Economic Security being repurchased or redeemed by the Corporation.

Section 3.06 Certificates Representing Units; Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Certificates; Registration and Transfer of Units.

- (a) Units shall not be certificated unless otherwise determined by the Manager. If the Manager determines that one or more Units shall be certificated, each such certificate shall be signed by or in the name of the Company, by the Chief Executive Officer and any other officer designated by the Manager, representing the number of Units held by such holder. Such certificate shall be in such form (and shall contain such legends) as the Manager may determine. Any or all of such signatures on any certificate representing one or more Units may be a facsimile, engraved or printed, to the extent permitted by applicable Law. The Manager agrees that it shall not elect to treat any Unit as a "security" within the meaning of Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code unless thereafter all Units then outstanding are represented by one or more certificates.
- (b) If Units are certificated, the Manager may direct that a new certificate representing one or more Units be issued in place of any certificate theretofore issued by the Company alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, upon delivery to the Manager of an affidavit of the owner or owners of such certificate, setting forth such allegation. The Manager may require the owner of such lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, or such owner's legal representative, to give the Company a bond sufficient to indemnify it against any claim that may be made against it on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of any such new certificate.
- (c) Upon surrender to the Company or the transfer agent of the Company, if any, of a certificate for one or more Units, duly endorsed or accompanied by appropriate evidence of succession, assignment or authority to transfer, in compliance with the provisions hereof, the Company shall issue a new certificate representing one or more Units to the Person entitled thereto, cancel the old certificate and record the transaction upon its books. Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, the Manager may prescribe such additional rules and regulations as it may deem appropriate relating to the issue, Transfer and registration of Units.

<u>Section 3.07</u> <u>Negative Capital Accounts</u>. No Member shall be required to pay to any other Member or the Company any deficit or negative balance which may exist from time to time in such Member's Capital Account (including upon and after dissolution of the Company).

<u>Section 3.08</u> <u>No Withdrawal</u>. No Person shall be entitled to withdraw any part of such Person's Capital Contribution or Capital Account or to receive any Distribution from the Company, except as expressly provided in this Agreement.

<u>Section 3.09</u> <u>Loans From Members</u>. Loans by Members to the Company shall not be considered Capital Contributions. Subject to the provisions of <u>Section 3.01(c)</u>, the amount of any such advances shall be a debt of the Company to such Member and shall be payable or collectible in accordance with the terms and conditions upon which such advances are made.

Section 3.10 Corporate Stock Option Plans and Equity Plans.

- (a) *Options Granted to Persons other than LLC Employees.* If at any time or from time to time, in connection with any Stock Option Plan, a stock option granted over shares of Class A Common Stock to a Person other than an LLC Employee is duly exercised:
 - (i) The Corporation shall, as soon as practicable after such exercise, make a Capital Contribution to the Company in an amount equal to the exercise price paid to the Corporation by such exercising Person in connection with the exercise of such stock option.
 - (ii) Notwithstanding the amount of the Capital Contribution actually made pursuant to Section 3.10(a)(i), the Corporation shall be deemed to have contributed to the Company as a Capital Contribution, in lieu of the Capital Contribution actually made and in consideration of additional Common Units, an amount equal to the Value of a share of Class A Common Stock as of the date of such exercise multiplied by the number of shares of Class A Common Stock then being issued by the Corporation in connection with the exercise of such stock option.
 - (iii) The Corporation shall receive in exchange for such Capital Contributions (as deemed made under $\underline{\text{Section 3.10(a)(ii)}}$), a corresponding number of Units of a class correlative to the class of Equity Securities for which such stock options were granted.
- (b) *Options Granted to LLC Employees*. If at any time or from time to time, in connection with any Stock Option Plan, a stock option granted over shares of Class A Common Stock to an LLC Employee is duly exercised:
 - (i) The Corporation shall sell to the Optionee, and the Optionee shall purchase from the Corporation, for a cash price per share equal to the Value of a share of Class A Common Stock at the time of the exercise, the number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the quotient of (x) the exercise price payable by the Optionee in connection with the exercise of such stock option divided by (y) the Value of a share of Class A Common Stock at the time of such exercise.
 - (ii) The Corporation shall sell to the Company (or if the Optionee is an employee of, or other service provider to, a Subsidiary, the Corporation shall sell to such Subsidiary), and the Company (or such Subsidiary, as applicable) shall purchase from the Corporation, a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the excess of (x) the number of shares of Class A Common Stock as to which such stock option is being

exercised over (y) the number of shares of Class A Common Stock sold pursuant to <u>Section 3.10(b)(i)</u> hereof. The purchase price per share of Class A Common Stock for such sale of shares of Class A Common Stock to the Company (or such Subsidiary) shall be the Value of a share of Class A Common Stock as of the date of exercise of such stock option.

- (iii) The Company shall transfer to the Optionee (or if the Optionee is an employee of, or other service provider to, a Subsidiary, the Subsidiary shall transfer to the Optionee) at no additional cost to such LLC Employee and as additional compensation to such LLC Employee, the number of shares of Class A Common Stock described in Section 3.10(b)(ii).
- (iv) The Corporation shall, as soon as practicable after such exercise, make a Capital Contribution to the Company in an amount equal to all proceeds received (from whatever source, but excluding any payment in respect of payroll taxes or other withholdings) by the Corporation in connection with the exercise of such stock option. The Corporation shall receive for such Capital Contribution, a number of Units equal to the number of shares of Class A Common Stock for which such option was exercised.
- (c) Restricted Stock Granted to LLC Employees. If at any time or from time to time, in connection with any Equity Plan (other than a Stock Option Plan), any shares of Class A Common Stock are issued to an LLC Employee (including any shares of Class A Common Stock that are subject to forfeiture in the event such LLC Employee terminates his or her employment with the Company or any Subsidiary) in consideration for services performed for the Company or any Subsidiary:
 - (i) The Corporation shall issue such number of shares of Class A Common Stock as are to be issued to such LLC Employee in accordance with the Equity Plan;
 - (ii) On the date (such date, the "Vesting Date") that the Value of such shares is includible in taxable income of such LLC Employee, the following events will be deemed to have occurred: (a) the Corporation shall be deemed to have sold such shares of Class A Common Stock to the Company (or if such LLC Employee is an employee of, or other service provider to, a Subsidiary, to such Subsidiary) for a purchase price equal to the Value of such shares of Class A Common Stock, (b) the Company (or such Subsidiary) shall be deemed to have delivered such shares of Class A Common Stock to such LLC Employee, (c) the Corporation shall be deemed to have contributed the purchase price for such shares of Class A Common Stock to the Company as a Capital Contribution, and (d) in the case where such LLC Employee is an employee of a Subsidiary, the Company shall be deemed to have contributed such amount to the capital of the Subsidiary; and
 - (iii) The Company shall issue to the Corporation on the Vesting Date a number of Units equal to the number of shares of Class A Common Stock issued under $\underbrace{Section\ 3.10(c)(i)}_{}$ in consideration for a Capital Contribution in cash in an amount equal to the product of (x) the number of such newly issued Units multiplied by (y) the Value of a share of Class A Common Stock.

- (d) Future Stock Incentive Plans. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed or applied to preclude or restrain the Corporation from adopting, modifying or terminating stock incentive plans for the benefit of employees, directors or other business associates of the Corporation, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates. The Members acknowledge and agree that, in the event that any such plan is adopted, modified or terminated by the Corporation, amendments to this Section 3.10 may become necessary or advisable and that any approval or consent to any such amendments requested by the Corporation shall be deemed granted by the Manager without the requirement of any further consent or acknowledgement of any other Member.
- (e) Anti-dilution adjustments. For all purposes of this Section 3.10, the number of shares of Class A Common Stock and the corresponding number of Common Units shall be determined after giving effect to all anti-dilution or similar adjustments that are applicable, as of the date of exercise or vesting, to the option, warrant, restricted stock or other equity interest that is being exercised or becomes vested under the applicable Stock Option Plan or other Equity Plan and applicable award or grant documentation.
- Section 3.11 <u>Dividend Reinvestment Plan, Cash Option Purchase Plan, Stock Incentive Plan or Other Plan.</u> Except as may otherwise be provided in this <u>Article III</u>, all amounts received or deemed received by the Corporation in respect of any dividend reinvestment plan, cash option purchase plan, stock incentive or other stock or subscription plan or agreement, either (a) shall be utilized by the Corporation to effect open market purchases of shares of Class A Common Stock, or (b) if the Corporation elects instead to issue new shares of Class A Common Stock with respect to such amounts, shall be contributed by the Corporation to the Company in exchange for additional Units. Upon such contribution, the Company will issue to the Corporation a number of Units equal to the number of new shares of Class A Common Stock so issued.

ARTICLE IV. DISTRIBUTIONS

Section 4.01 Distributions.

(a) *Distributable Cash; Other Distributions*. To the extent permitted by applicable Law and hereunder, Distributions to Members may be declared by the Manager out of Distributable Cash or other funds or property legally available therefor in such amounts and on such terms (including the payment dates of such Distributions) as the Manager shall determine using such record date as the Manager may designate; such Distributions shall be made to the Members as of the close of business on such record date on a pro rata basis in accordance with each Member's Percentage Interest as of the close of business on such record date; *provided, however*, that the Manager shall have the obligation to make Distributions as set forth in Sections 4.01(b) and 14.02; and provided further that, notwithstanding any other provision herein to the contrary, no Distributions shall be made to any Member to the extent such Distribution would render the Company insolvent. For purposes of the foregoing sentence, insolvency means the inability of the Company to meet its payment obligations when due. Promptly following the designation of a record date and the declaration of a Distribution pursuant to this Section 4.01(a), the Manager shall give notice to each Member of the record date, the amount and the terms of the Distribution and the payment date thereof. In furtherance of the foregoing, it is intended that

the Manager shall, to the extent permitted by applicable Law and hereunder, have the right in its sole discretion to make Distributions to the Members pursuant to this <u>Section 4.01(a)</u> in such amounts as shall enable the Corporation to pay dividends or to meet its obligations, including its obligations pursuant to the Tax Receivable Agreement (to the extent such obligations are not otherwise able to be satisfied as a result of Tax Distributions required to be made pursuant to <u>Section 4.01(b)</u>).

(b) Tax Distributions.

- (i) On or about each date (a "*Tax Distribution Date*") that is five (5) Business Days prior to each due date for the U.S. federal income tax return of a corporate calendar year taxpayer (without regard to extensions) (or, if earlier, the due date for the U.S. federal income tax return of the Corporation, as determined without regard to extensions), the Company shall make a Distribution to each Member out of Distributable Cash, *pro rata*, in accordance with each Member's Percentage Interest, in an amount sufficient to cause the Corporation to receive a Distribution equal to the sum of (x) all of the Corporation's U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. tax liabilities and (y) the amount necessary to satisfy the Corporation's obligations pursuant to the Tax Receivable Agreement, in each case, during the Taxable Year period to which the tax-related distribution under this Section 4.01(b) relates (the "*Tax Distributions*").
- (ii) If a Member (other than the Corporation) has an Assumed Tax Liability at a Tax Distribution Date in excess of the sum of the amount of Tax Distributions made to such Member under Section 4.01(b)(i) with respect to the relevant Taxable Year (such excess, a "Tax Distribution Shortfall"), the Company shall make an additional Distribution to each Member (including the Corporation) out of Distributable Cash, pro rata, in accordance with each Member's Percentage Interest, in an amount sufficient to cause any Member with a Tax Distribution Shortfall to receive an amount equal to such Tax Distribution Shortfall.
- (iii) If, on a Tax Distribution Date, there is insufficient Distributable Cash to distribute to the Members the full amount of the Distributions to which such Members are otherwise entitled pursuant to $\underline{\text{Section 4.01(b)(i)}}$ and $\underline{\text{Section 4.01(b)(ii)}}$, the Company shall make future Distributions pursuant to $\underline{\text{Section 4.01(b)(i)}}$ and $\underline{\text{Section 4.01(b)(ii)}}$ as soon as Distributable Cash becomes available sufficient to pay the remaining portion of such Distributions to which such Members are otherwise entitled.
- (iv) In the event of any audit by, or similar event with, a taxing authority that affects the calculation of the Corporation's U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. tax liabilities for any Taxable Year, or in the event the Company files an amended tax return, any shortfall in the amount of Tax Distributions received by the Corporation and the other Members for the relevant Taxable Years based on such recalculated tax liability promptly shall be distributed to the Corporation and such Members in accordance with Section 4.01(b)(i) and Section 4.01(b)(ii), except, for the avoidance of doubt, to the extent Distributions were made to such Members pursuant to Section 4.01(b)(i) and Section 4.01(b)(ii) in the relevant Taxable Years sufficient to cover such shortfall.

(v) Notwithstanding the foregoing, all Distributions pursuant to this <u>Section 4.01(b)</u>, if any, shall be made to a Member only to the extent all previous Distributions to such Member pursuant to <u>Section 4.01(b)</u> with respect to the relevant Taxable Year are less than the Distributions such Member otherwise would have been entitled to receive with respect to such Taxable Year pursuant to this <u>Section 4.01(b)</u>.

<u>Section 4.02</u> <u>Restricted Distributions.</u> Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Company shall not make any Distribution to any Member on account of any Company Interest if such Distribution would violate any applicable Law or the terms of the Credit Agreement.

ARTICLE V. CAPITAL ACCOUNTS; ALLOCATIONS; TAX MATTERS

Section 5.01 Capital Accounts.

- (a) The Company shall maintain a separate Capital Account for each Member according to the rules of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b) (2)(iv). For this purpose, the Company may (in the discretion of the Manager), upon the occurrence of the events specified in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(f), increase or decrease the Capital Accounts in accordance with the rules of such Treasury Regulation and Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(g) to reflect a revaluation of Company property.
- (b) For purposes of computing the amount of any item of Company income, gain, loss or deduction to be allocated pursuant to this <u>Article V</u> and to be reflected in the Capital Accounts of the Members, the determination, recognition and classification of any such item shall be the same as its determination, recognition and classification for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including any method of depreciation, cost recovery or amortization used for this purpose); *provided*, *however*, that:
 - (i) The computation of all items of income, gain, loss and deduction shall include those items described in Code Section 705(a)(l)(B) or Code Section 705(a)(2)(B) and Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(i), without regard to the fact that such items are not includable in gross income or are not deductible for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
 - (ii) If the Book Value of any Company property is adjusted pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(e) or (f), the amount of such adjustment shall be taken into account as gain or loss from the disposition of such property.
 - (iii) Items of income, gain, loss or deduction attributable to the disposition of Company property having a Book Value that differs from its adjusted basis for tax purposes shall be computed by reference to the Book Value of such property.
 - (iv) Items of depreciation, amortization and other cost recovery deductions with respect to Company property having a Book Value that differs from its adjusted basis for tax purposes shall be computed by reference to the property's Book Value in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(g).

(v) To the extent an adjustment to the adjusted tax basis of any Company asset pursuant to Code Sections 732(d), 734(b) or 743(b) is required, pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m), to be taken into account in determining Capital Accounts, the amount of such adjustment to the Capital Accounts shall be treated as an item of gain (if the adjustment increases the basis of the asset) or loss (if the adjustment decreases such basis).

<u>Section 5.02</u> <u>Allocations</u>. Except as otherwise provided in <u>Section 5.03</u> and <u>Section 5.04</u>, Net Profits and Net Losses for any Fiscal Year or Fiscal Period shall be allocated among the Capital Accounts of the Members pro rata in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests.

Section 5.03 Special Allocations.

- (a) Losses attributable to partner nonrecourse debt (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(b)(4)) shall be allocated in the manner required by Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i). If there is a net decrease during a Taxable Year in partner nonrecourse debt minimum gain (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i)(3)), Profits for such Taxable Year (and, if necessary, for subsequent Taxable Years) shall be allocated to the Members in the amounts and of such character as determined according to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i)(4).
- (b) Nonrecourse deductions (as determined according to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(b)(1)) for any Taxable Year shall be allocated pro rata among the Members in accordance with their Percentage Interests. Except as otherwise provided in Section 5.03(a), if there is a net decrease in the Minimum Gain during any Taxable Year, each Member shall be allocated Profits for such Taxable Year (and, if necessary, for subsequent Taxable Years) in the amounts and of such character as determined according to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(f). This Section 5.03(b) is intended to be a minimum gain chargeback provision that complies with the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(f), and shall be interpreted in a manner consistent therewith.
- (c) If any Member that unexpectedly receives an adjustment, allocation or Distribution described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2) (ii)(d)(4), (5) and (6) has an Adjusted Capital Account Deficit as of the end of any Taxable Year, computed after the application of Sections 5.03(a) and 5.03(b) but before the application of any other provision of this Article V, then Profits for such Taxable Year shall be allocated to such Member in proportion to, and to the extent of, such Adjusted Capital Account Deficit. This Section 5.03(c) is intended to be a qualified income offset provision as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d) and shall be interpreted in a manner consistent therewith.
- (d) If the allocation of Net Losses to a Member as provided in <u>Section 5.02</u> would create or increase an Adjusted Capital Account Deficit, there shall be allocated to such Member only that amount of Losses as will not create or increase an Adjusted Capital Account Deficit. The Net Losses that would, absent the application of the preceding sentence, otherwise be allocated to such Member shall be allocated to the other Members in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests, subject to this <u>Section 5.03(d)</u>.

- (e) Profits and Losses described in $\underline{Section 5.01(b)(v)}$ shall be allocated in a manner consistent with the manner that the adjustments to the Capital Accounts are required to be made pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(j), (k) and (m).
- (f) The allocations set forth in Section 5.03(a) through and including Section 5.03(d) (the "Regulatory Allocations") are intended to comply with certain requirements of Sections 1.704-1(b) and 1.704-2 of the Treasury Regulations. The Regulatory Allocations may not be consistent with the manner in which the Members intend to allocate Profit and Loss of the Company or make Distributions. Accordingly, notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article V, but subject to the Regulatory Allocations, income, gain, deduction and loss shall be reallocated among the Members so as to eliminate the effect of the Regulatory Allocations and thereby cause the respective Capital Accounts of the Members to be in the amounts (or as close thereto as possible) they would have been if Profit and Loss (and such other items of income, gain, deduction and loss) had been allocated without reference to the Regulatory Allocations. In general, the Members anticipate that this will be accomplished by specially allocating other Profit and Loss (and such other items of income, gain, deduction and loss) among the Members so that the net amount of the Regulatory Allocations and such special allocations to each such Member is zero. In addition, if in any Fiscal Year or Fiscal Period there is a decrease in partnership minimum gain, or in partner nonrecourse debt minimum gain, and application of the minimum gain chargeback requirements set forth in Section 5.03(a) or Section 5.03(b) would cause a distortion in the economic arrangement among the Members, the Members may, if they do not expect that the Company will have sufficient other income to correct such distortion, request the Internal Revenue Service to waive either or both of such minimum gain chargeback requirements. If such request is granted, this Agreement shall be applied in such instance as if it did not contain such minimum gain chargeback requirements.

Section 5.04 Final Allocations. Notwithstanding any contrary provision in this Agreement except Section 5.03, the Manager shall make appropriate adjustments to allocations of Profits and Losses to (or, if necessary, allocate items of gross income, gain, loss or deduction of the Company among) the Members upon the liquidation of the Company (within the meaning of Section 1.704 1(b)(2)(ii)(g) of the Treasury Regulations), the transfer of substantially all the Units (whether by sale or exchange or merger) or sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company, such that, to the maximum extent possible, the Capital Accounts of the Members are proportionate to their Percentage Interests. In each case, such adjustments or allocations shall occur, to the maximum extent possible, in the Fiscal Year of the event requiring such adjustments or allocations.

Section 5.05 Tax Allocations.

(a) The income, gains, losses, deductions and credits of the Company will be allocated, for federal, state and local income tax purposes, among the Members in accordance with the allocation of such income, gains, losses, deductions and credits among the Members for computing their Capital Accounts; *provided* that if any such allocation is not permitted by the Code or other applicable Law, the Company's subsequent income, gains, losses, deductions and credits will be allocated among the Members so as to reflect as nearly as possible the allocation set forth herein in computing their Capital Accounts.

- (b) Items of Company taxable income, gain, loss and deduction with respect to any property contributed to the capital of the Company shall be allocated among the Members in accordance with Code Section 704(c) so as to take account of any variation between the adjusted basis of such property to the Company for federal income tax purposes and its Book Value using the traditional method, as described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-3(b).
- (c) If the Book Value of any Company asset is adjusted pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(b)</u>, subsequent allocations of items of taxable income, gain, loss and deduction with respect to such asset shall take account of any variation between the adjusted basis of such asset for federal income tax purposes and its Book Value in the same manner as under Code Section 704(c) using the traditional method, as described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-3(b).
- (d) Allocations of tax credits, tax credit recapture, and any items related thereto shall be allocated to the Members pro rata as determined by the Manager taking into account the principles of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(4)(ii).
- (e) For purposes of determining a Member's pro rata share of the Company's "excess nonrecourse liabilities" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.752-3(a)(3), each Member's interest in income and gain shall be in proportion to the Units held by such Member.
- (f) Allocations pursuant to this <u>Section 5.05</u> are solely for purposes of federal, state and local taxes and shall not affect, or in any way be taken into account in computing, any Member's Capital Account or share of Profits, Losses, Distributions or other Company items pursuant to any provision of this Agreement.

Section 5.06 Indemnification and Reimbursement for Payments on Behalf of a Member. If the Company is obligated to pay any amount to a Governmental Entity (or otherwise makes a payment to a Governmental Entity) that is specifically attributable to a Member or a Member's status as such (including federal withholding taxes, state personal property taxes, state unincorporated business taxes, U.S. federal income taxes as a result of Company obligations pursuant to the Revised Partnership Audit Provisions, but excluding payments such as professional association fees and the like made voluntarily by the Company on behalf of any Member based upon such Member's status as an employee of the Company), then such Person shall indemnify the Company in full for the entire amount paid (including interest, penalties and related expenses). The Manager may offset Distributions to which a Person is otherwise entitled under this Agreement against such Person's obligation to indemnify the Company under this Section 5.06. A Member's obligation to make contributions to the Company under this Section 5.06 shall survive the termination, dissolution, liquidation and winding up of the Company, and for purposes of this Section 5.06, the Company shall be treated as continuing in existence. The Company may pursue and enforce all rights and remedies it may have against each Member under this Section 5.06, including instituting a lawsuit to collect such contribution with interest calculated at a rate per annum equal to the sum of the Base Rate plus 300 basis points (but not in excess of the highest rate per annum permitted by Law). Each Member hereby agrees to furnish to the Company such information and forms as required or reasonably requested in order to comply with any laws and regulations governing withholding of tax or in order to claim any reduced rate of, or exemption from, withholding to which the Member is legally entitled.

ARTICLE VI. MANAGEMENT

Section 6.01 Authority of Manager.

- (a) Except for situations in which the approval of any Member(s) is specifically required by this Agreement, (i) all management powers over the business and affairs of the Company shall be exclusively vested in the Corporation, as the sole managing member of the Company (the Corporation, in such capacity, the "*Manager*") and (ii) the Manager shall conduct, direct and exercise full control over all activities of the Company. The Manager shall be the "manager" of the Company for the purposes of the Delaware Act. Except as otherwise expressly provided for herein and subject to the other provisions of this Agreement, the Members hereby consent to the exercise by the Manager of all such powers and rights conferred on the Members by the Delaware Act with respect to the management and control of the Company. Any vacancies in the position of Manager shall be filled in accordance with Section 6.04.
- (b) The day-to-day business and operations of the Company shall be overseen and implemented by officers of the Company (each, an "Officer" and collectively, the "Officers"), subject to the limitations imposed by the Manager. An Officer may, but need not, be a Member. Each Officer shall be appointed by the Manager and shall hold office until his or her successor shall be duly designated and shall qualify or until his or her death or until he shall resign or shall have been removed in the manner hereinafter provided. Any one Person may hold more than one office. Subject to the other provisions in this Agreement (including in Section 6.07 below), the salaries or other compensation, if any, of the Officers of the Company shall be fixed from time to time by the Manager. The authority and responsibility of the Officers shall include, but not be limited to, such duties as the Manager may, from time to time, delegate to them and the carrying out of the Company's business and affairs on a day-to-day basis. The existing Officers of the Company as of the Effective Time shall remain in their respective positions and shall be deemed to have been appointed by the Manager. All Officers shall be, and shall be deemed to be, officers and employees of the Company. An Officer may also perform one or more roles as an officer of the Manager.
- (c) The Manager shall have the power and authority to effectuate the sale, lease, transfer, exchange or other disposition of any, all or substantially all of the assets of the Company (including the exercise or grant of any conversion, option, privilege or subscription right or any other right available in connection with any assets at any time held by the Company) or the merger, consolidation, reorganization or other combination of the Company with or into another entity.
- <u>Section 6.02</u> <u>Actions of the Manager</u>. The Manager may act through any Officer or through any other Person or Persons to whom authority and duties have been delegated pursuant to <u>Section 6.07</u>.
- <u>Section 6.03</u> <u>Resignation; No Removal</u>. The Manager may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Members. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation shall take effect upon receipt thereof by the Members, and the acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. For the avoidance of doubt, the Members have no right under this Agreement to remove or replace the Manager.

Section 6.04 Vacancies. Vacancies in the position of Manager occurring for any reason shall be filled, upon written notice to the Company, by the Corporation (or, if the Corporation has ceased to exist without any successor or assign, then by the holders of a majority in interest of the voting capital stock of the Corporation immediately prior to such cessation) with a successor that is (a) a wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Corporation, (b) a Person of which the Corporation is a wholly-owned Subsidiary, (c) a Person into which the Corporation is merged or consolidated or (d) a transferee of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation. For the avoidance of doubt, the Members have no right under this Agreement to fill any vacancy in the position of Manager. No appointment of a Person other than the Corporation (or its successor, as the case may be) as Manager shall be effective unless the Corporation (or its successor, as the case may be) and the new Manager provide all other Members with contractual rights, directly enforceable by such other Members against the new Manager, to cause the new Manager to comply with all of the Manager's obligations under this Agreement.

Section 6.05 Transactions Between Company and Manager. The Manager may cause the Company to contract and deal with the Manager, or any Affiliate of the Manager, provided such contracts and dealings (other than contracts and dealings between the Company and its Subsidiaries) are on terms comparable to and competitive with those available to the Company from others dealing at arm's length or are approved by the Members and otherwise are permitted by the Credit Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Members hereby approve (i) each of the contracts or agreements between or among the Manager, the Company and their respective Affiliates entered into on or prior to the date hereof in accordance with the First A&R LLC Agreement or that the board of managers has approved in connection with an initial public offering as of the date hereof and (ii) any other contracts and dealings that are customary (and necessary or desirable for the proper implementation of the transaction structure) among a public corporation and its Subsidiaries following an initial public offering pursuant to an "Up-C" structure in accordance with the terms hereof.

Section 6.06 Reimbursement for Expenses.

(a) The Manager shall not be compensated for its services as Manager of the Company except as expressly provided in this Agreement. The Members acknowledge and agree that, upon consummation of the IPO, the Manager's Class A Common Stock will be publicly traded and therefore the Manager will have access to the public capital markets and that such status and the services performed by the Manager will inure to the benefit of the Company and all Members; therefore, the Manager shall be reimbursed by the Company for any reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred on behalf of the Company, including without limitation all fees, expenses and costs associated with the IPO and all fees, expenses and costs of being a public company (including without limitation public reporting obligations, proxy statements, stockholder meetings, stock exchange fees, transfer agent fees, SEC and FINRA filing fees and offering expenses) and maintaining its corporate existence. In the event that shares of Class A Common Stock are sold to underwriters in the IPO (or in any subsequent public offering) at a price per share that is lower than the price per share for which such shares of Class A Common Stock are sold to the public in the IPO (or in such subsequent public offering, as applicable) after

taking into account underwriters' discounts or commissions and brokers' fees or commissions (such difference, the "*Discount*"), the Company shall reimburse the Manager for such Discount by treating such Discount as an additional Capital Contribution made by the Manager to the Company and increasing the Manager's Capital Account by the amount of such Discount. To the extent practicable, expenses incurred by the Manager on behalf of or for the benefit of the Company shall be billed directly to and paid by the Company and, if and to the extent any reimbursements to the Manager or any of its Affiliates by the Company pursuant to this <u>Section 6.06</u> constitute gross income to such Person (as opposed to the repayment of advances made by such Person on behalf of the Company), such amounts shall be treated as "guaranteed payments" within the meaning of Code Section 707(c) and shall not be treated as distributions for purposes of computing the Members' Capital Accounts.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 6.06(a), until the Tax Receivable Agreement has been terminated pursuant to Section 4.1 of the Tax Receivable Agreement and the Early Termination Payment (as defined in the Tax Receivable Agreement) has been paid to S&N, or, if earlier, the fifteenth anniversary of the date on which S&N ceases to be a Member of the Company, S&N shall promptly, but in any event within 30 days after receipt of an invoice therefor (which the Company shall provide no more frequently than quarterly, on or promptly following the first day of each quarter), reimburse the Company for all reasonable and documented (i) out-of-pocket fees, expenses and costs associated with administering the Tax Receivable Agreement (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any payments required to be made by the Company to S&N thereunder, including pursuant to Sections 3.1(a) and 4.3(a) thereof) and (ii) incremental out-of-pocket fees, expenses and costs incurred by the Company in connection with the administration of the tax and organizational functions of the Company that are reasonably determined to be in excess of the fees, expenses and costs that would have been incurred in connection with the tax and organizational functions of the Corporation had it owned, immediately after the IPO, all of the outstanding equity interests of the Company; provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else to the contrary contained herein, in no event shall S&N be obligated to pay pursuant to this Section 6.06(b) more than (x) \$100,000 per year, for any year in which S&N exercises its Redemption Right one or more times, and (y) \$50,000 per year, for any year in which S&N does not exercise its Redemption Right; and provided further, that such amount in (x) or (y), as applicable, shall not include the fees, expenses and costs of an initial public offering pursuant to an "Up-C" structure incurred on or prior to the date hereof.

Section 6.07 <u>Delegation of Authority</u>. The Manager (a) may, from time to time, delegate to one or more Persons such authority and duties as the Manager may deem advisable, and (b) may assign titles (including, without limitation, chief executive officer, president, chief executive officer, chief financial officers, chief operating officer, vice president, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer or assistant treasurer) and delegate certain authority and duties to such Persons as the same may be amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time. Any number of titles may be held by the same individual. The salaries or other compensation, if any, of such agents of the Company shall be fixed from time to time by the Manager, subject to the other provisions in this Agreement.

Section 6.08 Limitation of Liability of Manager.

(a) Except as otherwise provided herein or in an agreement entered into by such Person and the Company, neither the Manager nor any of the Manager's Affiliates shall be liable to the Company or to any Member that is not the Manager for any act or omission performed or

omitted by the Manager in its capacity as the sole managing member of the Company pursuant to authority granted to the Manager by this Agreement; provided, however, that, except as otherwise provided herein, such limitation of liability shall not apply to the extent the act or omission was attributable to the Manager's gross negligence, willful misconduct, bad faith or knowing violation of Law or for any present or future breaches of any representations, warranties or covenants by the Manager or its Affiliates contained herein or in the other agreements with the Company. The Manager may exercise any of the powers granted to it by this Agreement and perform any of the duties imposed upon it hereunder either directly or by or through its agents, and shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any such agent (so long as such agent was selected in good faith and with reasonable care). The Manager shall be entitled to rely upon the advice of legal counsel, independent public accountants and other experts, including financial advisors, and any act of or failure to act by the Manager in good faith reliance on such advice shall in no event subject the Manager to liability to the Company or any Member that is not the Manager.

- (b) Whenever in this Agreement or any other agreement contemplated herein, the Manager is permitted or required to take any action or to make a decision in its "sole discretion" or "discretion," with "complete discretion" or under a grant of similar authority or latitude, the Manager shall be entitled to consider such interests and factors as it desires, including its own interests, and shall, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, have no duty or obligation to give any consideration to any interest of or factors affecting the Company or other Members.
- (c) Whenever in this Agreement the Manager is permitted or required to take any action or to make a decision in its "good faith" or under another express standard, the Manager shall act under such express standard and, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, shall not be subject to any other or different standards imposed by this Agreement or any other agreement contemplated herein, and, notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, so long as the Manager acts in good faith, the resolution, action or terms so made, taken or provided by the Manager shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement or any other agreement contemplated herein or impose liability upon the Manager or any of the Manager's Affiliates.

<u>Section 6.09</u> <u>Investment Company Act</u>. The Manager shall use its best efforts to ensure that the Company shall not be subject to registration as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act.

Section 6.10 Outside Activities of the Manager. The Manager shall not, directly or indirectly, enter into or conduct any business or operations, other than (a) the ownership, acquisition and disposition of Common Units, (b) the management of the business and affairs of the Company and its Subsidiaries, (c) the operation of the Manager as a reporting company with a class (or classes) of securities registered under Section 12 of the Exchange Act and listed on a securities exchange, (d) the offering, sale, syndication, private placement or public offering of stock, bonds, securities or other interests of the Manager, (e) financing or refinancing of any type related to the Company, its Subsidiaries or their assets or activities, and (f) such activities as are incidental to the foregoing; *provided*, *however*, that, except as otherwise provided herein, the net proceeds of any financing raised by the Manager pursuant to the preceding clauses (d) and (e) shall be made available to the Company, whether as Capital Contributions, loans or otherwise, as appropriate, and, *provided further*, that the Manager may, in its sole and absolute discretion,

from time to time hold or acquire assets in its own name or otherwise other than through the Company and its Subsidiaries so long as the Manager takes commercially reasonable measures to ensure that the economic benefits and burdens of such assets are otherwise vested in the Company or its Subsidiaries, through assignment, mortgage loan or otherwise or, if it is not commercially reasonable to vest such economic interests in the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, the Members shall negotiate in good faith to amend this Agreement to reflect such activities and the direct ownership of assets by the Manager. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to prohibit the Manager from executing any guarantee of indebtedness of the Company or its Subsidiaries.

ARTICLE VII. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

Section 7.01 Limitation of Liability and Duties of Members.

- (a) No Member (including without limitation, the Manager) shall be obligated personally for any debts, obligation or liability of the Company or any debts, obligation or liability solely by reason of being a Member or acting as the Manager of the Company, except to the extent required by the Delaware Act. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the failure of the Company to observe any formalities or requirements relating to the exercise of its powers or management of its business and affairs under this Agreement or the Delaware Act shall not be grounds for imposing personal liability on the Members for liabilities of the Company.
- (b) In accordance with the Delaware Act and the laws of the State of Delaware, a Member may, under certain circumstances, be required to return amounts previously distributed to such Member. It is the intent of the Members that no Distribution to any Member pursuant to <u>Article IV</u> shall be deemed a return of money or other property paid or distributed in violation of the Delaware Act. The payment of any such money or Distribution of any such property to a Member shall be deemed to be a compromise within the meaning of Section 18-502(b) of the Delaware Act, and, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, any Member receiving any such money or property shall not be required to return any such money or property to the Company or any other Person. However, if any court of competent jurisdiction holds that, notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement, any Member is obligated to make any such payment, such obligation shall be the obligation of such Member and not of any other Member.
- (c) Notwithstanding Section 7.02 below or any other provision to the contrary in this Agreement, (i) the Manager shall, in its capacity as Manager, and not in any other capacity, have the same fiduciary duties to the Company and the Members as a member of the board of directors of a Delaware corporation (assuming such corporation had in its certificate of incorporation a provision eliminating the liabilities of directors and officers to the maximum extent permitted by Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law); (ii) the parties hereto acknowledge that the Manager will take action through its board of directors, and that the members of the Manager's board of directors will owe fiduciary duties to the stockholders of the Manager; and (iii) the Manager will use commercially reasonable and appropriate efforts and means, as determined in good faith by the Manager, to minimize any conflict of interest between the Members, on the one hand, and the stockholders of the Manager, on the other hand, and to

effectuate any transaction that involves or affects any of the Company, the Manager, the Members and/or the stockholders of the Manager in a manner that does not (x) disadvantage the Members of their interests relative to the stockholders of the Manager, (y) advantage the stockholders of the Manager relative to the Members or (z) treat the Members and the stockholders of the Manager differently; provided that in the event of a conflict between the interests of the stockholders of the Manager and the interests of the Members other than the Manager, such other Members agree that the Manager shall discharge its fiduciary duties to such other Members by acting in the best interests of the Manager's stockholders. For the avoidance of doubt, the fiduciary duties described in clause (i) above shall not be limited by the fact that the Manager shall be permitted to take certain actions in its sole or reasonable discretion pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any agreement entered into in connection herewith. Any duties and liabilities set forth in this Agreement shall replace those existing at Law or in equity (including the duties of the Manager and any Member) and each of the Company and each Member hereby, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, including Section 18-1101(c) of the Delaware Act: (i) acknowledges and agrees that none of the Members, their respective Affiliates or its or their respective Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, agents or representatives, acting in his or her capacity as such, shall be obligated to (A) reveal to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries confidential information belonging to or relating to the business of such Person or any of its Affiliates or (B) recommend or to take any action in its capacity as such that prefers the interest of the Company or its Subsidiaries over the interest of such Person; and (ii) waives the right to make any claim, bring any action or seek any recovery based on any duties or liabilities existing at Law or in equity (including the

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement (subject to Section 6.08 and Section 7.01(c) with respect to the Manager), to the extent that, at Law or in equity, any Member (or any Member's Affiliate or any manager, managing member, general partner, director, officer, employee, agent, fiduciary or trustee of any Member or of any Affiliate of a Member) has duties (including fiduciary duties) to the Company, to the Manager, to another Member, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Company Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, all such duties (including fiduciary duties) are hereby eliminated, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, and replaced with the duties or standards expressly set forth herein, if any. The elimination of duties (including fiduciary duties) to the Company, the Manager, each of the Members, each other Person who acquires an interest in a Company Interest and each other Person bound by this Agreement and replacement thereof with the duties or standards expressly set forth herein, if any, are approved by the Company, the Manager, each of the Members, each other Person who acquires an interest in a Company Interest and each other Person bound by this Agreement.

Section 7.02 Corporate Opportunities. Subject to Section 6.08 and Section 7.01(c) with respect to the Manager:

(a) In no event shall any Member be liable to the Company, any Subsidiary of the Company or to any party hereto for breaches of fiduciary or other similar duties by virtue of the fact that such Person fails to bring a business opportunity to the attention of the Company or any

Subsidiary of the Company or presents a business opportunity to a Member or an Affiliate of a Member (rather than, or in addition to, presenting such opportunity to the Company). This <u>Section 7.02</u> shall not apply to any Member who is an employee of the Corporation or any Subsidiary of the Corporation (including the Company and the Subsidiaries of the Company).

- (b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Members expressly acknowledge and agree that (i) each Member and its Affiliates are permitted to have, and may presently or in the future have, investments or other business relationships, ventures, agreements or arrangements with, or ownership of, entities engaged in the same or a similar business to the business conducted by the Company and its Subsidiaries, and in related businesses other than through the Company and its Subsidiaries (an "Other Business"), (ii) each Member or its Affiliates have or may develop a strategic relationship with businesses that are or may be competitive with the Company and its Subsidiaries, (iii) no Member or its Affiliates will be prohibited by virtue of their investment in the Company and its Subsidiaries from pursuing and engaging in any such activities, (iv) no Member or its Affiliates will be obligated to inform the Company of any such opportunity, relationship or investment, (v) the other Members will not acquire, be provided with an option or opportunity to acquire or be entitled to any interest or participation in any Other Business as a result of the participation therein of a Member or its Affiliates, (vi) the Members expressly waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, any rights to assert any claim that such involvement breaches any duty owed to any Member, or the Company or its Subsidiaries or to assert that such involvement constitutes a conflict of interest by such Persons with respect to the Company or its Subsidiaries and (vii) nothing contained herein shall limit, prohibit or restrict any Member or any of its Affiliates from serving on the board of directors or other governing body or committee of any Other Business. This Section 7.02(b) shall not apply to the Corporation or any Member who is an employee of the Corporation or any Subsidiary of the Corporation (including the Company and the Subsidiaries of the Company).
- Section 7.03 Lack of Authority. No Member, other than the Manager or a duly appointed Officer, in each case in its capacity as such, has the authority or power to act for or on behalf of the Company, to do any act that would be binding on the Company or to make any expenditure on behalf of the Company. The Members hereby consent to the exercise by the Manager of the powers conferred on them by Law and this Agreement.
- <u>Section 7.04</u> <u>No Right of Partition</u>. No Member, other than the Manager, shall have the right to seek or obtain partition by court decree or operation of Law of any Company property, or the right to own or use particular or individual assets of the Company.

Section 7.05 Indemnification.

(a) Subject to Section 5.06, the Company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless any Person (each an "Indemnified Person") to the fullest extent permitted under the Delaware Act, as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended, substituted or replaced (but, in the case of any such amendment, substitution or replacement only to the extent that such amendment, substitution or replacement permits the Company to provide broader indemnification rights than the Company is providing immediately prior to such amendment), against all expenses, liabilities, damages and losses (including attorneys' fees, judgments,

amounts paid in settlement, fines, excise taxes, interest or penalties) incurred or suffered by such Person (or one or more of such Person's Affiliates) by reason of the fact that such Person is or was a Member or an Affiliate thereof (other than as a result of an ownership interest in the Corporation) or is or was serving as the Manager, a manager, Officer, employee or other agent of the Company or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a manager, officer, director, principal, member, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, trust or other enterprise in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, relating to such Person's status or service as such; *provided*, *however*, that no Indemnified Person shall be indemnified for any expenses, liabilities, damages and losses suffered that are (i) attributable to such Indemnified Person's or its Affiliates' gross negligence, willful misconduct, bad faith or knowing violation of Law or for any present or future breaches of any representations, warranties or covenants by such Indemnified Person or its Affiliates contained herein or in the other agreements with the Company or (ii) in connection with (x) an action, suit or proceeding (or part thereof) commenced by the Indemnified Person or (y) an action, suit or proceeding commenced by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries against the Indemnified Person. Expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by any such Indemnified Person in defending a proceeding shall be paid by the Company in advance of the final disposition of such proceeding, including any appeal therefrom, upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such Indemnified Person to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that such Indemnified Person is not entitled to be indemnified by the Company.

- (b) The right to indemnification and the advancement of expenses conferred in this <u>Section 7.05</u> shall not be exclusive of any other right which any Person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, agreement, bylaw, action by the Manager or otherwise.
- (c) The Company shall maintain directors' and officers' liability insurance, or substantially equivalent insurance, at its expense, to protect any Indemnified Person against any expense, liability or loss described in Section 7.05(a) whether or not the Company would have the power to indemnify such Indemnified Person against such expense, liability or loss under the provisions of this Section 7.05. The Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase and maintain property, casualty and liability insurance in types and at levels customary for companies of similar size engaged in similar lines of business, as determined in good faith by the Manager, and the Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase directors' and officers' liability insurance (including employment practices coverage) with a carrier and in an amount determined necessary or desirable as determined in good faith by the Manager.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary (including in this Section 7.05), the Company agrees that any indemnification and advancement of expenses available to any current or former Indemnified Person from any Member or Affiliate thereof who served as a director of the Company or as a Member of the Company by virtue of such Person's service as a member, director, partner or employee of any such Member prior to or following the Effective Time (any such Person, a "Specified Person") shall be secondary to the indemnification and advancement of expenses to be provided the Company pursuant to this Section 7.05 which shall be provided out of and to the extent of Company assets only and no Member (unless such Member otherwise agrees in writing or is found in a final decision by a

court of competent jurisdiction to have personal liability on account thereof) shall have personal liability on account thereof or shall be required to make additional Capital Contributions to help satisfy such indemnity of the Company and the Company (i) shall be the primary indemnitor of first resort for such Specified Person pursuant to this Section 7.05 and (ii) shall be fully responsible for the advancement of all expenses and the payment of all damages or liabilities with respect to such Specified Person which are addressed by this Section 7.05.

- (e) If this <u>Section 7.05</u> or any portion hereof shall be invalidated on any ground by any court of competent jurisdiction, then the Company shall nevertheless indemnify and hold harmless each Indemnified Person pursuant to this <u>Section 7.05</u> to the fullest extent permitted by any applicable portion of this <u>Section 7.05</u> that shall not have been invalidated and to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law.
- (f) Neither the amendment of this <u>Section 7.05</u>, nor, to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware Law, any modification of Law, shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this <u>Section 7.05</u> in respect of any acts or omissions occurring prior to such amendment or modification.

<u>Section 7.06</u> <u>Members Right to Act</u>. For matters that require the approval of the Members, the Members shall act through meetings and written consents as described in paragraphs (a) and (b) below:

- (a) Except as otherwise expressly provided by this Agreement, acts by the Members holding a majority of the Units, voting together as a single class, shall be the acts of the Members. Any Member entitled to vote at a meeting of Members or to express consent or dissent to Company action in writing without a meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for it by proxy. An electronic mail, telegram, telex, cablegram or similar transmission by the Member, or a photographic, photostatic, facsimile or similar reproduction of a writing executed by the Member shall (if stated thereon) be treated as a proxy executed in writing for purposes of this Section 7.06(a). No proxy shall be voted or acted upon after eleven months from the date thereof, unless the proxy provides for a longer period. A proxy shall be revocable unless the proxy form conspicuously states that the proxy is irrevocable and that the proxy is coupled with an interest. Should a proxy designate two or more Persons to act as proxies, unless that instrument shall provide to the contrary, a majority of such Persons present at any meeting at which their powers thereunder are to be exercised shall have and may exercise all the powers of voting or giving consents thereby conferred, or, if only one be present, then such powers may be exercised by that one; or, if an even number attend and a majority do not agree on any particular issue, the Company shall not be required to recognize such proxy with respect to such issue if such proxy does not specify how the votes that are the subject of such proxy are to be voted with respect to such issue.
- (b) The actions by the Members permitted hereunder may be taken at a meeting called by the Manager or by the Members holding a majority of the Units entitled to vote on such matter on at least 120 hours' prior written notice to the other Members entitled to vote, which notice shall state the purpose or purposes for which such meeting is being called. The actions taken by the Members entitled to vote or consent at any meeting (as opposed to by written consent), however called and noticed, shall be as valid as though taken at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice if (but not until), either before, at or after the meeting, the Members

entitled to vote or consent as to whom it was improperly held signs a written waiver of notice or a consent to the holding of such meeting or an approval of the minutes thereof. The actions by the Members entitled to vote or consent may be taken by vote of the Members entitled to vote or consent at a meeting or by written consent, so long as such consent is signed by Members having not less than the minimum number of Units that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all Members entitled to vote thereon were present and voted. Prompt notice of the action so taken, which shall state the purpose or purposes for which such consent is required and may be delivered via email, without a meeting shall be given to those Members entitled to vote or consent who have not consented in writing; *provided*, *however*, that the failure to give any such notice shall not affect the validity of the action taken by such written consent. Any action taken pursuant to such written consent of the Members shall have the same force and effect as if taken by the Members at a meeting thereof.

Section 7.07 Inspection Rights. The Company shall permit each Member and each of its designated representatives to (i) visit and inspect any of the properties of the Company and its Subsidiaries, all at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, (ii) examine the corporate and financial records of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and make copies thereof or extracts therefrom, (iii) consult with the managers, officers, employees and independent accountants of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries concerning the affairs, finances and accounts of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case including, without limitation, in the case of S&N, for purposes of S&N verifying any amounts claimed by the Company to be reimbursable pursuant to Section 6.06(b). The presentation of an executed copy of this Agreement by any Member to the Company's independent accountants shall constitute the Company's permission to its independent accountants to participate in discussions with such Persons and their respective designated representatives.

ARTICLE VIII. BOOKS, RECORDS, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTS, AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

Section 8.01 Records and Accounting. The Company shall keep, or cause to be kept, appropriate books and records with respect to the Company's business, including all books and records necessary to provide any information, lists and copies of documents required to be provided pursuant to Section 8.03 or pursuant to applicable Laws. All matters concerning (a) the determination of the relative amount of allocations and Distributions among the Members pursuant to Articles III and IV and (b) accounting procedures and determinations, and other determinations not specifically and expressly provided for by the terms of this Agreement, shall be determined by the Manager, whose determination shall be final and conclusive as to all of the Members absent manifest clerical error.

<u>Section 8.02</u> <u>Fiscal Year</u>. The Fiscal Year of the Company shall end on December 31 of each year or such other date as may be established by the Manager.

<u>Section 8.03</u> <u>Reports.</u> The Company shall deliver or cause to be delivered, within ninety (90) days after the end of each Fiscal Year, to each Person who was a Member at any time during such Fiscal Year, all information reasonably necessary for the preparation of such Person's United States federal and applicable state income tax returns.

ARTICLE IX. TAX MATTERS

Section 9.01 Preparation of Tax Returns. The Manager shall arrange for the preparation and timely filing of all tax returns required to be filed by the Company. The Manager shall select an "Income Tax Return Preparer" for the Company as defined in Section 7701(a)(36) of the Code, not taking into account Section 7701(a)(36)(B), which at all times shall be a nationally recognized accounting firm; provided as long as S&N is a 9.9% Member, such selection shall be subject to the approval of S&N, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. All income and franchise tax returns of, or relating to the Company and its Subsidiaries, shall be provided to S&N for review and comment not later than 60 Business Days prior to the due date (including extensions). S&N shall be entitled to meet and discuss all income and franchise tax matters relating to the Company and its Subsidiaries with the Income Tax Return Preparer and the Partnership Representative (as defined below), and provide comments not later than 30 Business Days prior to the due date (including extensions). On or before March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15 of each Fiscal Year, the Company shall send to each Person who was a Member at any time during the prior quarter, an estimate of such Member's state tax apportionment information and allocations to the Members of taxable income, gains, losses, deductions and credits for the prior quarter, which estimate shall have been reviewed by the Company's outside tax accountants. As long as S&N is a 9.9% Member, such Member shall be entitled to review such outside tax accountants' work papers (to the extent made available to the Company) and the information made available to the Company in connection with the preparation and audit of the Company's financial statements. In addition, no later than the later of (i) prior to April 15 following the end of the prior Fiscal Year, and (ii) thirty (30) Business Days after the issuance of the final financial statement report for a Fiscal Year by the Company's auditors, the Company shall send to each Person who was a Member at any time during such Fiscal Year, a statement showing such Member's final state tax apportionment information and allocations to the Members of taxable income, gains, losses, deductions and credits for such Fiscal Year and a completed IRS Schedule K-1. Each Member shall notify the other Members upon receipt of any notice of tax examination of the Company by federal, state or local authorities. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, in its capacity as Partnership Representative, the Corporation shall have the authority to prepare the tax returns of the Company using such permissible methods and elections as it determines in its reasonable discretion, including without limitation the use of any permissible method under Section 706 of the Code for purposes of determining the varying Company Interests of its Members.

Section 9.02 Tax Elections. The Taxable Year shall be the Fiscal Year set forth in Section 8.02. The Company and any eligible Subsidiary shall make an election pursuant to Section 754 of the Code and shall not thereafter revoke such election. Each Member will upon request supply any information reasonably necessary to give proper effect to any such elections.

Section 9.03 Tax Controversies. The Manger shall cause the Company to take all necessary actions required by Law to designate the Corporation as the "tax matters partner" within the meaning given to such term in Section 6231 of the Code (as in effect prior to the repeal of such section pursuant to the Revised Partnership Audit Provisions) with respect to any Taxable Year of the Company beginning on or before December 31, 2017. The Manager shall

further cause the Company to take all necessary actions required by Law to designate the Corporation as the "partnership representative" within the meaning of Section 6223(a) of the Code with respect to any Taxable Year of the Company beginning after December 31, 2017, and if the "partnership representative" is an entity, the Corporation is hereby authorized to designate an individual to be the sole individual through which such entity "partnership representative" will act (in such capacities, collectively, the "Partnership Representative") The Company and the Members shall cooperate fully with each other and shall use reasonable best efforts to cause the Corporation (or its designated individual, as applicable) to become the Partnership Representative with respect to any taxable period of the Company with respect to which the statute of limitations has not vet expired (and causing any tax matters partner, partnership representative or designated individual designated prior to the Effective Date to resign, be revoked or replaced, as applicable), including (as applicable) by filing certifications pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 301.6231(a)(7)-1(d) and completing IRS Form 8970 or any other form or certificate required pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 301.6223-1(e)(1). The Partnership Representative shall have the right and obligation to take all actions authorized and required to represent the Company (at the Company's expense) in connection with all examinations of the Company's affairs by tax authorities, including resulting administrative and judicial proceedings, and to expend Company funds for professional services reasonably incurred in connection therewith. Each Member agrees to cooperate with the Company and to do or refrain from doing any or all things reasonably requested by the Company with respect to the conduct of such proceedings. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, with respect to any audit or other proceeding, the Partnership Representative shall be entitled to cause the Company (and any of its Subsidiaries) to make any available elections pursuant to Section 6226 of the Code (and similar provisions of state, local and other Law), and the Members shall cooperate to the extent reasonably requested by the Company in connection therewith. The Partnership Representative shall keep any 9.9% Member fully advised on a current basis of any contacts by or discussions with the tax authorities, and the 9.9% Members shall have the right to observe and participate through representatives of their own choosing (at their sole expense) in any tax proceedings. The Company shall reimburse the Partnership Representative for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Partnership Representative, including reasonable fees of any professional attorneys, in carrying out its duties as the Partnership Representative. The provisions of this Section 9.03 shall survive the transfer or termination of any Member's interest in any Units of the Company, the termination of this Agreement and the termination of the Company, and shall remain binding on each Member for the period of time necessary to resolve all tax matters relating to the Company, and shall be subject to the provisions of the Tax Receivable Agreement, as applicable.

ARTICLE X. RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER OF UNITS

<u>Section 10.01</u> <u>Transfers by Members</u>. No holder of Units may Transfer any interest in any Units, except Transfers (a) pursuant to and in accordance with <u>Section 10.02</u>, (b) approved in writing by the Manager, in the case of Transfers by any Member other than the Manager, or (c) in the case of Transfers by the Manager, to any Person who succeeds to the Manager in accordance with <u>Section 6.04</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, "Transfer" shall not include an event that terminates the existence of a Member for income tax purposes (including, without limitation, a change in entity classification of a Member under Treasury Regulations Section 301.7701-3,

a sale of assets by, or liquidation of, a Member pursuant to an election under Code Sections 336 or 338, or merger, severance, or allocation within a trust or among sub-trusts of a trust that is a Member), but that does not terminate the existence of such Member under applicable state law (or, in the case of a trust that is a Member, does not terminate the trusteeship of the fiduciaries under such trust with respect to all the Company Interests of such trust that is a Member).

Section 10.02 Permitted Transfers. The restrictions contained in Section 10.01 shall not apply to any Transfer (each, a "Permitted Transfer") pursuant to (i)(A) a Change of Control Transaction, (B) a Redemption or Exchange in accordance with Article XI hereof or (C) a Transfer by a Member to the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries, (ii) a Transfer by any Member to such Member's spouse, any lineal ascendants or descendants or trusts or other entities in which such Member or Member's spouse, lineal ascendants or descendants hold (and continue to hold while such trusts or other entities hold Units) 50% or more of such entity's beneficial interests, (iii) pursuant to the laws of descent and distribution and (iv) a Transfer to an Affiliate, partner, shareholder or member of such Member; provided, however, that (A) the restrictions contained in this Agreement will continue to apply to Units after any Permitted Transfer of such Units, and (B) in the case of the foregoing clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv), the transferees of the Units so Transferred shall agree in writing to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement and, the transferor will deliver a written notice to the Company and the Members, which notice will disclose in reasonable detail the identity of the proposed transferee. In the case of a Permitted Transfer by any Effective Date Member of Common Units to a transferee in accordance with this Section 10.02, such Member (or any subsequent transferee of such Member) shall be required to also transfer the fraction of its remaining Class B Common Stock ownership corresponding to the proportion of such Member's (or subsequent transferee's) Common Units that were transferred in the transaction to such transferee. All Permitted Transfers are subject to the additional limitations set forth in Section 10.07(b).

Section 10.03 Restricted Units Legend. The Units have not been registered under the Securities Act and, therefore, in addition to the other restrictions on Transfer contained in this Agreement, cannot be sold unless subsequently registered under the Securities Act or an exemption from such registration is then available. To the extent such Units have been certificated, each certificate evidencing Units and each certificate issued in exchange for or upon the Transfer of any Units (if such securities remain Units as defined herein after such Transfer) shall be stamped or otherwise imprinted with a legend in substantially the following form:

"THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE WERE ORIGINALLY ISSUED ON FEBRUARY 16, 2021, AND HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "ACT"), AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED IN THE ABSENCE OF AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION THEREUNDER. THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER SPECIFIED IN THE SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT OF BIOVENTUS LLC, AS MAY BE AMENDED AND MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME, AND BIOVENTUS LLC RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE THE TRANSFER OF SUCH SECURITIES

UNTIL SUCH CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN FULFILLED WITH RESPECT TO ANY TRANSFER. A COPY OF SUCH CONDITIONS SHALL BE FURNISHED BY BIOVENTUS LLC TO THE HOLDER HEREOF UPON WRITTEN REQUEST AND WITHOUT CHARGE."

The Company shall imprint such legend on certificates (if any) evidencing Units. The legend set forth above shall be removed from the certificates (if any) evidencing any units which cease to be Units in accordance with the definition thereof.

Section 10.04 Transfer. Prior to Transferring any Units (other than pursuant to a Change of Control Transaction), the Transferring Holder of Units shall cause the prospective Transferee to be bound by this Agreement as provided in Section 10.02 and any other agreements executed by the holders of Units and relating to such Units in the aggregate (collectively, the "Other Agreements"), and shall cause the prospective Transferee to execute and deliver to the Company and the other holders of Units counterparts of this Agreement and any applicable Other Agreements. Any Transfer or attempted Transfer of any Units in violation of any provision of this Agreement (including any prohibited indirect Transfers) (a) shall be void, and (b) the Company shall not record such Transfer on its books or treat any purported Transferee of such Units as the owner of such securities for any purpose.

Section 10.05 Assignee's Rights.

- (a) The Transfer of a Company Interest in accordance with this Agreement shall be effective as of the date of its assignment (assuming compliance with all of the conditions to such Transfer set forth herein), and such Transfer shall be shown on the books and records of the Company. Profits, Losses and other Company items shall be allocated between the transferor and the Assignee according to Code Section 706, using any permissible method as determined in the reasonable discretion of the Manager. Distributions made before the effective date of such Transfer shall be paid to the transferor, and Distributions made after such date shall be paid to the Assignee.
- (b) Unless and until an Assignee becomes a Member pursuant to Article XII, the Assignee shall not be entitled to any of the rights granted to a Member hereunder or under applicable Law, other than the rights granted specifically to Assignees pursuant to this Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that, without relieving the transferring Member from any such limitations or obligations as more fully described in Section 10.06, such Assignee shall be bound by any limitations and obligations of a Member contained herein that a Member would be bound on account of the Assignee's Company Interest (including the obligation to make Capital Contributions on account of such Company Interest).

<u>Section 10.06</u> <u>Assignor's Rights and Obligations</u>. Any Member who shall Transfer any Company Interest in a manner in accordance with this Agreement shall cease to be a Member with respect to such Units or other interest and shall no longer have any rights or privileges, or, except as set forth in this <u>Section 10.06</u>, duties, liabilities or obligations, of a Member with respect to such Units or other interest (it being understood, however, that the applicable provisions of <u>Sections 6.08</u> and <u>7.05</u> shall continue to inure to such Person's benefit), except that unless and until the Assignee (if not already a Member) is admitted as a Substituted Member in

accordance with the provisions of Article XII (the "Admission Date"), (i) such assigning Member shall retain all of the duties, liabilities and obligations of a Member with respect to such Units or other interest, and (ii) the Manager may, in its sole discretion, reinstate all or any portion of the rights and privileges of such Member with respect to such Units or other interest for any period of time prior to the Admission Date. Nothing contained herein shall relieve any Member who Transfers any Units or other interest in the Company from any liability of such Member to the Company with respect to such Company Interest that may exist on the Admission Date or that is otherwise specified in the Delaware Act and incorporated into this Agreement or for any liability to the Company or any other Person for any materially false statement made by such Member (in its capacity as such) or for any present or future breaches of any representations, warranties or covenants by such Member (in its capacity as such) contained herein or in the other agreements with the Company.

Section 10.07 Overriding Provisions.

- (a) Any Transfer in violation of this <u>Article X</u> shall be null and void ab initio, and the provisions of <u>Sections 10.05</u> and <u>10.06</u> shall not apply to any such Transfers. For the avoidance of doubt, any Person to whom a Transfer is made or attempted in violation of this <u>Article X</u> shall not become a Member, shall not be entitled to vote on any matters coming before the Members and shall not have any other rights in or with respect to any rights of a Member of the Company. The approval of any Transfer in any one or more instances shall not limit or waive the requirement for such approval in any other or future instance. The Manager shall promptly amend the Schedule of Members to reflect any Permitted Transfer pursuant to this Article X.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of <u>Section 10.01</u> and <u>Article XII</u>), in no event shall any Member Transfer any Units to the extent such Transfer would:
 - (i) result in the violation of the Securities Act, or any other applicable federal, state or foreign Laws;
 - (ii) in the reasonable determination of the Manager, be a violation of or a default (or an event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) under, or result in an acceleration of any indebtedness under, any promissory note, mortgage, loan agreement, indenture or similar instrument or agreement to which the Company or the Manager is a party; *provided* that (x) the payee or creditor to whom the Company or the Manager owes such obligation is not an affiliate of the Company or the Manager and (y) such indebtedness, individually or in the aggregate, has an aggregate principal amount of loans or revolving commitments then outstanding that is greater than \$10,000,000;
 - (iii) cause the Company to lose its status as a partnership for federal income tax purposes or, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such Transfer was effected on or through an "established securities market" or a "secondary market or the substantial equivalent thereof," as such terms are used in Section 1.7704-1 of the Treasury Regulations;

- (iv) be a Transfer to a Person who is not legally competent or who has not achieved his or her majority under applicable Law (excluding trusts for the benefit of minors);
- (v) cause the Company to be treated as a "publicly traded partnership" or to be taxed as a corporation pursuant to Section 7704 of the Code or successor provision of the Code; or
- (vi) result in the Company having more than one hundred (100) partners, within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.7704-1(h)(1) (determined pursuant to the rules of Treasury Regulations Section 1.7704-1(h)(3)).

ARTICLE XI. REDEMPTION AND EXCHANGE RIGHTS

Section 11.01 Redemption Right of a Member.

(a) Each Member (other than the Corporation) shall be entitled to cause the Company to redeem (a "*Redemption*") its Common Units in whole or in part (the "Redemption Right") at any time and from time to time following the Effective Time in accordance with this Section 11.01. A Member desiring to exercise its Redemption Right (the "Redeeming Member") shall exercise such right by giving written notice (the "Redemption Notice") to the Company with a copy to the Corporation. The Redemption Notice shall specify (i) the number of Common Units (the "Redeemed Units") that the Redeeming Member intends to have the Company redeem, (ii) whether the Redeeming Member is electing a Share Settlement or a Cash Settlement and (iii) a date, not less than five (5) Business Days after delivery of such Redemption Notice (unless and to the extent that the Manager in its sole discretion agrees in writing to waive such time period), on which the Redeemption shall be completed (the "Redemption Date"); provided that the Redeeming Member may change the number of Redeemed Units, the requested settlement method and/or the Redemption Date specified in such Redemption Notice to another number, settlement method and/or date by written notice delivered on or prior to the Business Day immediately preceding the Redemption Date; provided further that a Redemption Notice may condition a Redemption on (A) the closing of an underwritten distribution of the shares of Class A Common Stock that may be issued in connection with such proposed Redemption or (B) the consummation of a purchase by another Person (whether in a tender or exchange offer, an underwritten offering or otherwise) of shares of Class A Common Stock for which the Redeemed Units are redeemable, or contingent (including as to timing) upon the closing of an announced merger, consolidation or other transaction or event in which the Class A Common Stock would be exchanged or converted or become exchangeable for or convertible into cash or other securities or property. Unless the Redeeming Member timely has delivered a Retraction Notice as provided in Section 11.01(b) or has revoked or delayed a Redemption as provided in Section 11.01(c), on the Redemption Date (to be effective immediately prior to the close of business on the Redemption Date) (i) the Redeeming Member shall transfer and surrender the Redeemed Units to the Company, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances (except those arising hereunder or under applicable securities Laws), and (ii) the Company shall (x) cancel the Redeemed Units, (y) transfer to the Redeeming Member the consideration to which the Redeeming Member is entitled under Section 11.01(b), and (z) if the Units are certificated, issue

to the Redeeming Member a certificate for a number of Common Units equal to the difference (if any) between the number of Common Units evidenced by the certificate surrendered by the Redeeming Member pursuant to clause (i) of this <u>Section 11.01(a)</u> and the Redeemed Units.

- (b) In exercising its Redemption Right, a Redeeming Member shall be entitled to receive the Share Settlement or the Cash Settlement, as specified in the Redemption Notice; provided that if the Redeeming Member has elected a Cash Settlement in the Redemption Notices, the Corporation shall have the option as provided in Section 11.02 and subject to Section 11.01(d) to select whether the redemption payment is made by means of a Share Settlement or a Cash Settlement. Within three (3) Business Days after delivery of a Redemption Notice pursuant to which the Redeeming Member has elected Cash Settlement, the Corporation shall give written notice (the "Contribution Notice") to the Company (with a copy to the Redeeming Member) of its intended settlement method; provided that if the Corporation does not timely deliver a Contribution Notice, the Corporation shall be deemed to have elected the Share Settlement method. If the Redeeming Member elects Cash Settlement in the Redemption Notice and the Corporation elects Share Settlement (including if the Corporation does not timely deliver a Contribution Notice), the Redeeming Member may retract its Redemption Notice by giving written notice (the "Retraction Notice") to the Company (with a copy to the Corporation) within two (2) Business Days after delivery of the Contribution Notice. The timely delivery of a Retraction Notice shall terminate all of the Redeeming Member's, Company's and the Corporation' rights and obligations under this Section 11.01 arising from the Redemption Notice.
- (c) In the event a Redemption will settle via Share Settlement in accordance with Section 11.01(b), a Redeeming Member shall be entitled to revoke its Redemption Notice or delay the consummation of a Redemption if any of the following conditions exists: (i) any registration statement pursuant to which the resale of the Class A Common Stock to be registered for such Redeeming Member at or immediately following the consummation of the Redemption shall have ceased to be effective pursuant to any action or inaction by the SEC or no such resale registration statement has yet become effective; (ii) the Corporation shall have failed to cause any related prospectus to be supplemented by any required prospectus supplement necessary to effect such Redemption; (iii) the Corporation shall have exercised its right to defer, delay or suspend the filing or effectiveness of a registration statement and such deferral, delay or suspension shall affect the ability of such Redeeming Member to have its Class A Common Stock registered at or immediately following the consummation of the Redemption; (iv) the Corporation shall have disclosed to such Redeeming Member any material non-public information concerning the Corporation, the receipt of which results in such Redeeming Member being prohibited or restricted from selling Class A Common Stock at or immediately following the Redemption without disclosure of such information (and the Corporation does not permit disclosure); (v) any stop order relating to the registration statement pursuant to which the Class A Common Stock was to be registered by such Redeeming Member at or immediately following the Redemption shall have been issued by the SEC; (vi) there shall have occurred a material disruption in the securities markets generally or in the market or markets in which the Class A Common Stock is then traded; (vii) there shall be in effect an injunction, a restraining order or a decree of any nature of any Governmental Entity that restrains or prohibits the Redemption; (viii) the Corporation shall have failed to comply in all material respects with its obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement, and such failure shall have affected the ability of such Redeeming Member to consummate the resale of Class A Common Stock to be received upon

such redemption pursuant to an effective registration statement; (ix) the Redemption Date would occur three (3) Business Days or less prior to, or during, a Black-Out Period; *provided further*, that in no event shall the Redeeming Member seeking to revoke its Redemption Notice or delay the consummation of such Redemption and relying on any of the matters contemplated in clauses (i) through (ix) above have controlled or intentionally materially influenced any facts, circumstances, or Persons in connection therewith (except in the good faith performance of his or her duties as an officer or director of the Corporation) in order to provide such Redeeming Member with a basis for such delay or revocation. If a Redeeming Member delays the consummation of a Redemption pursuant to this Section 11.01(c), the Redemption Date shall occur on the fifth Business Day following the date on which the conditions giving rise to such delay cease to exist (or such earlier day as the Corporation, the Company and such Redeeming Member may agree in writing).

- (d) The number of shares of Class A Common Stock or the Redeemed Units Equivalent that a Redeeming Member is entitled to receive under Section 11.01(b) (whether through a Share Settlement or Cash Settlement) shall not be adjusted on account of any Distributions previously made with respect to the Redeemed Units or dividends previously paid with respect to Class A Common Stock; provided, however, that if a Redeeming Member causes the Company to redeem Redeemed Units and the Redeemption Date occurs subsequent to the record date for any Distribution with respect to the Redeemed Units but prior to payment of such Distribution, the Redeeming Member shall be entitled to receive such Distribution with respect to the Redeemed Units on the date that it is made notwithstanding that the Redeeming Member transferred and surrendered the Redeemed Units to the Company prior to such date.
- (e) In the event of a reclassification or other similar transaction as a result of which the shares of Class A Common Stock are converted into another security, then in exercising its Redemption Right a Redeeming Member shall be entitled to receive the amount of such security that the Redeeming Member would have received if such Redemption Right had been exercised and the Redemption Date had occurred immediately prior to the record date of such reclassification or other similar transaction.

Section 11.02 Election and Contribution of the Corporation. In connection with the exercise of a Redeeming Member's Redemption Rights under Section 11.01(a), the Corporation shall contribute to the Company the consideration the Redeeming Member is entitled to receive under Section 11.01(b). Unless the Redeeming Member has timely delivered a Retraction Notice as provided in Section 11.01(b), or has revoked or delayed a Redemption as provided in Section 11.01(c), on the Redemption Date (to be effective immediately prior to the close of business on the Redemption Date) (i) the Corporation shall make its Capital Contribution to the Company (in the form of the Share Settlement or the Cash Settlement, as applicable, in accordance with Section 11.01(b)) required under this Section 11.02, and (ii) the Company shall issue to the Corporation a number of Common Units equal to the number of Redeemed Units surrendered by the Redeeming Member. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement to the contrary, in the event that the Redemption will settle via Cash Settlement, the Corporation shall only be obligated to contribute to the Company an amount in respect of such Cash Settlement equal to the net proceeds (after deduction of any underwriters' discounts or commissions and brokers' fees or commissions) from the sale by the Corporation of a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the number of Redeemed Units to be redeemed with such Cash

Settlement *provided* that the Corporation's Capital Account shall be increased by an amount equal to any Discount relating to such sale of shares of Class A Common Stock in accordance with <u>Section 6.06</u>. The timely delivery of a Retraction Notice shall terminate all of the Company's and the Corporation' rights and obligations under this <u>Section 11.02</u> arising from the Redemption Notice.

Section 11.03 Exchange Right of the Corporation.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this <u>Article XI</u>, the Corporation may, in its sole and absolute discretion, elect to effect on the Redemption Date the exchange of Redeemed Units for the Share Settlement or Cash Settlement, as determined in accordance with <u>Section 11.01(b)</u>, through a direct exchange of such Redeemed Units and such consideration between the Redeeming Member and the Corporation (a "*Direct Exchange*"). Upon such Direct Exchange pursuant to this <u>Section 11.03</u>, the Corporation shall acquire the Redeemed Units and shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as the owner of such Units.
- (b) The Corporation may, at any time prior to a Redemption Date, deliver written notice (an "Exchange Election Notice") to the Company and the Redeeming Member setting forth its election to exercise its right to consummate a Direct Exchange; provided that such election does not prejudice the ability of the parties to consummate a Redemption or Direct Exchange on the Redemption Date. An Exchange Election Notice may be revoked by the Corporation at any time; provided that any such revocation does not prejudice the ability of the parties to consummate a Redemption or Direct Exchange on the Redemption Date. The right to consummate a Direct Exchange in all events shall be exercisable for all (and not less than all) the Redeemed Units that would have otherwise been subject to a Redemption. Except as otherwise provided by this Section 11.03, a Direct Exchange shall be consummated pursuant to the same timeframe and in the same manner as the relevant Redemption would have been consummated if the Corporation had not delivered an Exchange Election Notice.

Section 11.04 Reservation of Shares of Class A Common Stock; Listing; Certificate of the Corporation. At all times the Corporation shall reserve and keep available out of its authorized but unissued Class A Common Stock, solely for the purpose of issuance upon a Redemption or Direct Exchange, such number of shares of Class A Common Stock as shall be issuable upon any such Redemption or Direct Exchange pursuant to Share Settlements; provided that nothing contained herein shall be construed to preclude the Corporation from satisfying its obligations in respect of any such Redemption or Direct Exchange by delivery of purchased Class A Common Stock (which may or may not be held in the treasury of the Corporation) or the delivery of cash pursuant to a Cash Settlement. The Corporation shall deliver Class A Common Stock that has been registered under the Securities Act with respect to any Redemption or Direct Exchange to the extent a registration statement is effective and available for such shares. The Corporation shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to list the Class A Common Stock required to be delivered upon any such Redemption or Direct Exchange prior to such delivery upon each national securities exchange upon which the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock are listed at the time of such Redemption or Direct Exchange (it being understood that any such shares may be subject to transfer restrictions under applicable securities Laws). The Corporation covenants that all Class A Common Stock issued upon a Redemption or Direct Exchange will, upon issuance, be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable. The provisions of this Article XI shall be interpreted and applied in a manner consistent with the corresponding provisions of the Corporation's certificate of incorporation.

<u>Section 11.05</u> <u>Effect of Exercise of Redemption or Exchange Right</u>. This Agreement shall continue notwithstanding the consummation of a Redemption or Direct Exchange and all governance or other rights set forth herein shall be exercised by the remaining Members and the Redeeming Member (to the extent of such Redeeming Member's remaining interest in the Company). No Redemption or Direct Exchange shall relieve such Redeeming Member of any prior breach of this Agreement.

<u>Section 11.06</u> <u>Tax Treatment</u>. Unless otherwise required by applicable Law, the parties hereto acknowledge and agree a Redemption or a Direct Exchange, as the case may be, shall be treated as a direct exchange between the Corporation and the Redeeming Member for U.S. federal and applicable state and local income tax purposes.

ARTICLE XII. ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

<u>Section 12.01</u> <u>Substituted Members</u>. Subject to the provisions of <u>Article X</u> hereof, in connection with the Permitted Transfer of a Company Interest hereunder, the transferee shall become a substituted Member ("*Substituted Member*") on the effective date of such Transfer, which effective date shall not be earlier than the date of compliance with the conditions to such Transfer, and such admission shall be shown on the books and records of the Company.

Section 12.02 Additional Members. Subject to the provisions of Article X hereof, any Person that is not an Effective Date Member may be admitted to the Company as an additional Member (any such Person, an "Additional Member") only upon furnishing to the Manager (a) a duly executed Joinder and counterparts to any applicable Other Agreements and (b) such other documents or instruments as may be reasonably necessary or appropriate to effect such Person's admission as a Member (including entering into such documents as the Manager may deem appropriate in its reasonable discretion). Such admission shall become effective on the date on which the Manager determines in its reasonable discretion that such conditions have been satisfied and when any such admission is shown on the books and records of the Company.

ARTICLE XIII. WITHDRAWAL AND RESIGNATION; TERMINATION OF RIGHTS

Section 13.01 Withdrawal and Resignation of Members. No Member shall have the power or right to withdraw or otherwise resign as a Member from the Company prior to the dissolution and winding up of the Company pursuant to Article XIV. Any Member, however, that attempts to withdraw or otherwise resign as a Member from the Company without the prior written consent of the Manager upon or following the dissolution and winding up of the Company pursuant to Article XIV, but prior to such Member receiving the full amount of Distributions from the Company to which such Member is entitled pursuant to Article XIV, shall be liable to the Company for all damages (including all lost profits and special, indirect and consequential damages) directly or indirectly caused by the withdrawal or resignation of such Member. Upon a Transfer of all of a Member's Units in a Transfer permitted by this Agreement, subject to the provisions of Section 10.06, such Member shall cease to be a Member.

ARTICLE XIV. DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

<u>Section 14.01</u> <u>Dissolution</u>. The Company shall not be dissolved by the admission of Additional Members or Substituted Members or the attempted withdrawal or resignation of a Member. The Company shall dissolve, and its affairs shall be wound up, upon:

- (a) the unanimous decision of the Manager together with the Members that then hold Voting Units to dissolve the Company;
- (b) a dissolution of the Company under Section 18-801(4) of the Delaware Act; or
- (c) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of the Company under Section 18-802 of the Delaware Act.

Except as otherwise set forth in this <u>Article XIV</u>, the Company is intended to have perpetual existence. An Event of Withdrawal shall not cause a dissolution of the Company and the Company shall continue in existence subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

Section 14.02 <u>Liquidation and Termination</u>. On dissolution of the Company, the Manager shall act as liquidator or may appoint one or more Persons as liquidator. The liquidators shall proceed diligently to wind up the affairs of the Company and make final distributions as provided herein and in the Delaware Act. The costs of liquidation shall be borne as a Company expense. Until final distribution, the liquidators shall continue to operate the Company properties with all of the power and authority of the Manager. The steps to be accomplished by the liquidators are as follows:

- (a) as promptly as possible after dissolution and again after final liquidation, the liquidators shall cause a proper accounting to be made by a recognized firm of certified public accountants of the Company's assets, liabilities and operations through the last day of the calendar month in which the dissolution occurs or the final liquidation is completed, as applicable;
- (b) the liquidators shall cause the notice described in the Delaware Act to be mailed to each known creditor of and claimant against the Company in the manner described thereunder;
- (c) the liquidators shall pay, satisfy or discharge from Company funds, or otherwise make adequate provision for payment and discharge thereof (including, without limitation, the establishment of a cash fund for contingent liabilities in such amount and for such term as the liquidators may reasonably determine): first, all expenses incurred in liquidation; and second, all of the debts, liabilities and obligations of the Company; and
- (d) all remaining assets of the Company shall be distributed to the Members in accordance with <u>Article IV</u> by the end of the Taxable Year during which the liquidation of the Company occurs (or, if later, by ninety (90) days after the date of the liquidation). The

distribution of cash and/or property to the Members in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section 14.02</u> and <u>Section 14.03</u> below constitutes a complete return to the Members of their Capital Contributions, a complete distribution to the Members of their interest in the Company and all the Company's property and constitutes a compromise to which all Members have consented within the meaning of the Delaware Act. To the extent that a Member returns funds to the Company, it has no claim against any other Member for those funds.

Section 14.03 Deferment; Distribution in Kind. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 14.02, but subject to the order of priorities set forth therein, if upon dissolution of the Company the liquidators determine that an immediate sale of part or all of the Company's assets would be impractical or would cause undue loss (or would otherwise not be beneficial) to the Members, the liquidators may, in their sole discretion, defer for a reasonable time the liquidation of any assets except those necessary to satisfy Company liabilities (other than loans to the Company by Members) and reserves. Subject to the order of priorities set forth in Section 14.02, the liquidators may, in their sole discretion, distribute to the Members, in lieu of cash, either (a) all or any portion of such remaining Company assets in-kind in accordance with the provisions of Section 14.02(d), (b) as tenants in common and in accordance with the provisions of Section 14.02(d), undivided interests in all or any portion of such Company assets or (c) a combination of the foregoing. Any such Distributions in kind shall be subject to (y) such conditions relating to the disposition and management of such assets as the liquidators deem reasonable and equitable and (z) the terms and conditions of any agreements governing such assets (or the operation thereof or the holders thereof) at such time. Any Company assets distributed in kind will first be written up or down to their Fair Market Value, thus creating Profit or Loss (if any), which shall be allocated in accordance with Article V. The liquidators shall determine the Fair Market Value of any property distributed in accordance with the valuation procedures set forth in Article XV.

Section 14.04 Cancellation of Certificate. On completion of the distribution of Company assets as provided herein, the Company is terminated (and the Company shall not be terminated prior to such time), and the Manager (or such other Person or Persons as the Delaware Act may require or permit) shall file a certificate of cancellation with the Secretary of State of Delaware, cancel any other filings made pursuant to this Agreement that are or should be canceled and take such other actions as may be necessary to terminate the Company. The Company shall be deemed to continue in existence for all purposes of this Agreement until it is terminated pursuant to this Section 14.04.

Section 14.05 Reasonable Time for Winding Up. A reasonable time shall be allowed for the orderly winding up of the business and affairs of the Company and the liquidation of its assets pursuant to Sections 14.02 and 14.03 in order to minimize any losses otherwise attendant upon such winding up.

<u>Section 14.06</u> <u>Return of Capital</u>. The liquidators shall not be personally liable for the return of Capital Contributions or any portion thereof to the Members (it being understood that any such return shall be made solely from Company assets).

ARTICLE XV. VALUATION

Section 15.01 Determination. "Fair Market Value" of a specific Company asset will mean the amount which the Company would receive in an all-cash sale of such asset in an arm's-length transaction with a willing unaffiliated third party, with neither party having any compulsion to buy or sell, consummated on the day immediately preceding the date on which the event occurred which necessitated the determination of the Fair Market Value (and after giving effect to any transfer taxes payable in connection with such sale), as such amount is determined by the Manager (or, if pursuant to Section 14.02, the liquidators) in its good faith judgment using all factors, information and data it deems to be pertinent.

Section 15.02 Dispute Resolution. If any Member or Members dispute the accuracy of any determination of Fair Market Value in accordance with Section 15.01, and the Manager and such Member(s) are unable to agree on the determination of the Fair Market Value of any asset of the Company, the Manager and such Member(s) shall each select a nationally recognized investment banking firm experienced in valuing securities of closely-held companies such as the Company in the Company's industry (the "Appraisers"), who shall each determine the Fair Market Value of the asset or the Company (as applicable) in accordance with the provisions of Section 15.01. The Appraisers shall be instructed to give written notice of their determination of the Fair Market Value of the asset or the Company (as applicable) within thirty (30) days of their appointment as Appraisers. If Fair Market Value as determined by an Appraiser is higher than Fair Market Value as determined by the other Appraiser by 10% or more, and the Manager and such Member(s) do not otherwise agree on a Fair Market Value, the original Appraisers shall designate a third Appraiser meeting the same criteria used to select the original two. If Fair Market Value as determined by an Appraiser is within 10% of the Fair Market Value as determined by the other Appraiser (but not identical), and the Manager and such Member(s) do not otherwise agree on a Fair Market Value, the Manager shall select the Fair Market Value of one of the Appraisers. The fees and expenses of the Appraisers shall be borne by the Company.

ARTICLE XVI. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 16.01 Representations and Warranties.

(a) Each of the Corporation, the Company and the other Members represents and warrants to each other that (i) it is a corporation or limited liability company duly incorporated or formed, as applicable, and is existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, (ii) it has all requisite corporate or limited liability company power, as applicable, and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby (including, in the case of the Corporation, to issue the Class A Common Stock contemplated to be issued pursuant to Article XI), (iii) the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it and the consummation by it of the transactions contemplated hereby (including, in the case of the Corporation, the issuance of the Class A Common Stock contemplated to be issued pursuant to Article X) have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company action on its part, as applicable, and (iv) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of it enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement may be limited by equitable principles or by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or similar laws relating to or limiting creditors' rights generally.

(b) Each of the Corporation and the Company represents to each of the Members that it does not have any contracts, other agreements, duties or obligations that are inconsistent with its duties and obligations (whether or not in its capacity as Manager) under this Agreement and covenants that, except as expressly permitted by this Agreement, it will not enter into any contracts or other agreements or undertake or acquire any other duties or obligations that are inconsistent with such duties and obligations.

Section 16.02 Power of Attorney.

- (a) Each Member who is an individual hereby constitutes and appoints the Manager (or the liquidator, if applicable) with full power of substitution, as his or her true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority in his, her or its name, place and stead, to:
 - (i) execute, swear to, acknowledge, deliver, file and record in the appropriate public offices (A) this Agreement, all certificates and other instruments and all amendments thereof which the Manager deems appropriate or necessary to form, qualify, or continue the qualification of, the Company as a limited liability company in the State of Delaware and in all other jurisdictions in which the Company may conduct business or own property; (B) all instruments which the Manager deems appropriate or necessary to reflect any amendment, change, modification or restatement of this Agreement in accordance with its terms; (C) all conveyances and other instruments or documents which the Manager deems appropriate or necessary to reflect the dissolution and liquidation of the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, including a certificate of cancellation; and (D) all instruments relating to the admission, withdrawal or substitution of any Member pursuant to Article XII or XIII; and
 - (ii) sign, execute, swear to and acknowledge all ballots, consents, approvals, waivers, certificates and other instruments appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the Manager, to evidence, confirm or ratify any vote, consent, approval, agreement or other action which is made or given by the Members hereunder or is consistent with the terms of this Agreement, in the reasonable judgment of the Manager, to effectuate the terms of this Agreement.
- (b) The foregoing power of attorney is irrevocable and coupled with an interest, and shall survive the death, disability, incapacity, dissolution, bankruptcy, insolvency or termination of any Member who is an individual and the transfer of all or any portion of his, her or its Company Interest and shall extend to such Member's heirs, successors, assigns and personal representatives.

Section 16.03 Confidentiality.

(a) The Manager and each of the Members agree to hold the Company's Confidential Information in confidence and may not use such information except in connection with its investment in the Company, in furtherance of the business of the Company or as otherwise

authorized separately in writing by the Manager. "Confidential Information" as used herein includes all information concerning the Company or its Subsidiaries in the possession of or furnished to any Member, but is not limited to, ideas, financial product structuring, business strategies, innovations and materials, all aspects of the Company's business plan, proposed operation and products, corporate structure, financial and organizational information, analyses, proposed partners, software code and system and product designs, employees and their identities, equity ownership, the methods and means by which the Company plans to conduct its business, all trade secrets, trademarks, tradenames and all intellectual property associated with the Company's business. With respect to the Manager and each Member, Confidential Information does not include information or material that: (a) is rightfully in the possession of the Manager or each Member at the time of disclosure by the Company; (b) before or after it has been disclosed to the Manager or each Member by the Company, becomes patented, published, or otherwise part of public knowledge, not as a result of any action of the Manager or such Member, respectively, in violation of this Agreement; (c) is approved for release by written authorization of the CEO of the Company or of the Corporation or any other authorized officer; (d) is disclosed to the Manager or such Member or their representatives by a third party not, to the knowledge of the Manager or such Member, respectively, in violation of any obligation of confidentiality owed to the Company with respect to such information; or (e) is or becomes independently developed by the Manager or such Member or their respective representatives other than by acts in contravention of this Agreement.

- (b) The Manager and each of the Members may disclose Confidential Information to its Subsidiaries, Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, counsel, advisers, consultants, outside contractors and other agents, on the condition that such Persons agree to keep the Confidential Information confidential to the same extent as such disclosing party is required to keep the Confidential Information confidential, solely to the extent it is reasonably necessary or appropriate to fulfill its obligations or to exercise its rights under this Agreement; *provided* that the disclosing party shall remain liable with respect to any breach of this Section 16.02 by any such Subsidiaries, Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, counsel, advisers, consultants, outside contractors and other agents.
- (c) Notwithstanding Section 16.02(a) or Section 16.02(b), the Manager and each of the Members may disclose Confidential Information (i) to the extent that the such party is legally compelled (by oral questions, interrogatories, request for information or documents, subpoena, civil investigative demand or similar process) to disclose any of the Confidential Information, (ii) for purposes of reporting to its stockholders the performance of the Company and its Subsidiaries and for purposes of including applicable information in its financial statements to the extent required by applicable Law or applicable accounting standards, (iii) to the extent required to be disclosed by applicable Law. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, nothing in this Section 16.03 will restrict in any manner the ability of the Corporation to comply with its disclosure obligations under Law, and the extent to which any Confidential Information is necessary or desirable to disclose in order to comply with Law will be determined by the Corporation in its sole discretion.

<u>Section 16.04</u> <u>Amendments</u>. This Agreement may be amended or modified upon the consent of the Manager and the Majority Members. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no amendment or modification (a) to this <u>Section 16.04</u> may be made without the prior written

consent of the Manager and each of the Members, (b) to any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement which terms and conditions expressly require the approval or action of certain Persons may be made without obtaining the consent of the requisite number or specified percentage of such Persons who are entitled to approve or take action on such matter, (c) to any of the terms and conditions of Article VI or Section 14.01 (and related definitions as used directly or indirectly therein) may be made without the prior written consent of the Manager, which consent may be given or withheld in the Manager's sole discretion, and (d) to any of the terms and conditions of Section 6.06(b) may be made without the prior written consent of S&N. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, the Manager may make any amendment of an administrative nature that is necessary in order to implement the substantive provisions hereof, without the consent of any other Member; provided that any such amendment does not change the rights of the Members hereunder in any respect.

Section 16.05 Title to Company Assets. Company assets shall be deemed to be owned by the Company as an entity, and no Member, individually or collectively, shall have any ownership interest in such Company assets or any portion thereof. The Company shall hold title to all of its property in the name of the Company and not in the name of any Member. All Company assets shall be recorded as the property of the Company on its books and records, irrespective of the name in which legal title to such Company assets is held. The Company's credit and assets shall be used solely for the benefit of the Company, and no asset of the Company shall be transferred or encumbered for, or in payment of, any individual obligation of any Member.

Section 16.06 Addresses and Notices. Any notice provided for in this Agreement will be in writing and will be either personally delivered, or received by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by reputable overnight courier service (charges prepaid) to the Company at the address set forth below and to any other recipient and to any Member at such address as indicated by the Company's records, or at such address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party has specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Notices will be deemed to have been given hereunder when delivered personally or sent by telecopier (*provided* confirmation of transmission is received), three (3) days after deposit in the U.S. mail and one (1) day after deposit with a reputable overnight courier service. The Company's address is:

to the Company:

Bioventus LLC 4721 Emperor Boulevard, Suite 100 Durham, North Carolina 27703 Attn: Kenneth Reali, Chief Executive Officer E-mail: kenneth.reali@bioventusglobal.com with a copy (which copy shall not constitute notice) to:

Bioventus LLC 4721 Emperor Boulevard, Suite 100 Durham, North Carolina 27703 Attn: Anthony D'Adamio, General Counsel E-mail: tony.dadamio@bioventusglobal.com

and

Latham & Watkins LLP 200 Clarendon Street Boston, MA 02116

Attn: Charles K. Ruck, Esq. Wesley C. Holmes, Esq.

E-mail: charles.ruck@lw.com wesley.holmes@lw.com

<u>Section 16.07</u> <u>Binding Effect; Intended Beneficiaries</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, legal representatives and permitted assigns, and, in the case of <u>Section 7.05</u>, the Indemnified Persons.

Section 16.08 Creditors. None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of or enforceable by any creditors of the Company or any of its Affiliates, and no creditor who makes a loan to the Company or any of its Affiliates may have or acquire (except pursuant to the terms of a separate agreement executed by the Company in favor of such creditor) at any time as a result of making the loan any direct or indirect interest in Company Profits, Losses, Distributions, capital or property other than as a secured creditor.

<u>Section 16.09</u> <u>Waiver</u>. No failure by any party to insist upon the strict performance of any covenant, duty, agreement or condition of this Agreement or to exercise any right or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof shall constitute a waiver of any such breach or any other covenant, duty, agreement or condition.

<u>Section 16.10</u> <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement binding on all the parties hereto.

Section 16.11 Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions (whether of the State of Delaware or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Delaware. Any suit, dispute. action or proceeding seeking to enforce any provision of, or based on any matter arising out of or in connection with, this Agreement shall be heard in the state or federal courts of the State of Delaware, and the parties hereby consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of

such court (and of the appropriate appellate courts) in any such suit, action or proceeding and waives any objection to venue laid therein. Process in any such suit, action or proceeding may be served on any party anywhere in the world, whether within or without the jurisdiction of any such court. Without limiting the foregoing, the parties agree that service of process upon such party at the address referred to in <u>Section 16.06</u>, together with written notice of such service to such party, shall be deemed effective service of process upon such party.

Section 16.12 WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

Section 16.13 Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable Law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable Law or rule in any jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability will not affect any other provision or the effectiveness or validity of any provision in any other jurisdiction, and this Agreement will be reformed, construed and enforced in such jurisdiction as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

<u>Section 16.14</u> <u>Further Action</u>. The parties shall execute and deliver all documents, provide all information and take or refrain from taking such actions as may be reasonably necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Agreement.

Section 16.15 Delivery by Electronic Transmission. This Agreement and any signed agreement or instrument entered into in connection with this Agreement or contemplated hereby, and any amendments hereto or thereto, to the extent signed and delivered by means of an electronic transmission, including by a facsimile machine or via email, shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original agreement or instrument and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effect as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. At the request of any party hereto or to any such agreement or instrument, each other party hereto or thereto shall re-execute original forms thereof and deliver them to all other parties. No party hereto or to any such agreement or instrument shall raise the use of electronic transmission by a facsimile machine or via email to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature or agreement or instrument was transmitted or communicated through such electronic transmission as a defense to the formation of a contract and each such party forever waives any such defense.

<u>Section 16.16</u> <u>Effectiveness</u>. This Agreement shall be effective immediately prior to the time at which the IPO closes on the IPO Closing Date (the "*Effective Time*"). The First A&R LLC Agreement shall govern the rights and obligations of the Company and the Pre-IPO Members in their capacity as members prior to the Effective Time.

Section 16.17 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, those documents expressly referred to herein (including the Registration Rights Agreement and the Tax Receivable Agreement), any indemnity agreements entered into in connection with the First A&R LLC Agreement with any member of the board of managers at that time and other documents of even date herewith embody the complete agreement and understanding among the parties and supersede and

preempt any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or among the parties, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way. For the avoidance of doubt, the First A&R LLC Agreement is superseded by this Agreement as of the Effective Time and shall be of no further force and effect thereafter.

Section 16.18 Remedies. Each Member shall have all rights and remedies set forth in this Agreement and all rights and remedies which such Person has been granted at any time under any other agreement or contract and all of the rights which such Person has under any Law. Any Person having any rights under any provision of this Agreement or any other agreements contemplated hereby shall be entitled to enforce such rights specifically (without posting a bond or other security), to recover damages by reason of any breach of any provision of this Agreement and to exercise all other rights granted by Law.

Section 16.19 Descriptive Headings; Interpretation. The descriptive headings of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and do not constitute a substantive part of this Agreement. Whenever required by the context, any pronoun used in this Agreement shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine or neuter forms, and the singular form of nouns, pronouns and verbs shall include the plural and vice versa. The use of the word "including" in this Agreement shall be by way of example rather than by limitation. Reference to any agreement, document or instrument means such agreement, document or instrument as amended or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof, and if applicable hereof. Without limiting the generality of the immediately preceding sentence, no amendment or other modification to any agreement, document or instrument that requires the consent of any Person pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other agreement will be given effect hereunder unless such Person has consented in writing to such amendment or modification. Wherever required by the context, references to a Fiscal Year shall refer to a portion thereof. The use of the words "or," "either" and "any" shall not be exclusive. The parties hereto have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement. In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties hereto, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any of the provisions of this Agreement. Wherever a conflict exists between this Agreement and any other agreement, this Agreement shall control but solely to the extent of such conflict.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed or caused to be executed on their behalf this Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement as of the date first written above.

COMPANY:

BIOVENTUS LLC

By: Bioventus Inc., its Managing Member

By: /s/ Kenneth Reali
Name: Kenneth Reali

Title: Chief Executive Officer

MEMBERS:

BIOVENTUS INC.

By: /s/ Kenneth Reali

Name: Kenneth Reali
Title: Chief Executive Officer

[Signature Page to Second Amended and Restated LLC Agreement]

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.

/s/ Catheryn A. O'Rourke By:

Name: Catheryn A. O'Rourke Title: Director

[Signature Page to Second Amended and Restated LLC Agreement]

SCHEDULE 1

PRE-IPO MEMBERS

Member Smith & Nephew, Inc. Smith & Nephew OUS, Inc.

Beluga I, Inc.

Beluga II, Inc.

Beluga II, Inc.
Beluga III, Inc.
Beluga IV, Inc.
Beluga V, Inc.
Beluga VI, Inc.
Beluga VII, Inc.
Beluga VIII-A, Inc.

Beluga VIII, Inc.

Membership Interests Immediately Prior to the Effective Date

SCHEDULE 2*

SCHEDULE OF EFFECTIVE DATE MEMBERS

MemberCommon UnitsPercentage InterestCapital AccountsBioventus Inc.Accounts

Bioventus Inc.
Smith & Nephew, Inc.

* This schedule shall be updated from time to time to reflect any adjustment with respect to any subdivision (by Unit split or otherwise) or any combination (by reverse Unit split or otherwise) of any outstanding Common Units, or to reflect any additional issuances of Common Units pursuant to this Agreement.

Exhibit A

FORM OF JOINDER AGREEMENT

This JOINDER AGREEMENT, dated as of , 20 (this "<u>Joinder</u>"), is delivered pursuant to that certain Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement, dated as of [●], 2021 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>LLC Agreement</u>") by and among Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "<u>Company</u>"), Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation and the managing member of the Company ("<u>Bioventus LLC</u>"), and each of the Members from time to time party thereto. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings set forth in the LLC Agreement.

- 1. <u>Joinder to the LLC Agreement</u>. Upon the execution of this Joinder by the undersigned and delivery hereof to Bioventus LLC, the undersigned hereby is and hereafter will be a Member under the LLC Agreement and a party thereto, with all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of a Member thereunder. The undersigned hereby agrees that it shall comply with and be fully bound by the terms of the LLC Agreement as if it had been a signatory thereto as of the date thereof.
- 2. <u>Incorporation by Reference</u>. All terms and conditions of the LLC Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference in this Joinder as if set forth herein in full.
- 3. <u>Address</u>. All notices under the LLC Agreement to the undersigned shall be direct to:

[Name]
[Address]
[City, State, Zip Code]
Attn:
E-mail:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly executed and delivered this Joinder as of the day and year first above written.

[NAME OF NEW MEMBER]				
By:				
Name:				
Title:				

By:

Name: Kenneth Reali

Title: Chief Executive Officer

TAX RECEIVABLE AGREEMENT

by and among

BIOVENTUS INC.

BIOVENTUS LLC and

the MEMBERS (as defined herein)

Dated as of February 16, 2021

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TAX RECEIVABLE AGREEMENT

This TAX RECEIVABLE AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of February 16, 2021, is hereby entered into by and among Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "<u>LLC</u>") and Smith & Nephew, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("S&N"). Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings set forth in Section 1.01.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the LLC is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes;

WHEREAS, S&N (together with each other Person who becomes party hereto by satisfying the Joinder Requirement, the "Members") owns (or, in the case of such other Persons, will own) common limited liability company interests in the LLC (the "Units");

WHEREAS, the Corporation is the managing member of the LLC and is the registered owner of Units;

WHEREAS, on the date hereof and exclusive of the Over-Allotment Option (as defined below), the Corporation issued 8,000,000 shares of its Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Class A Common Stock") to certain purchasers in an initial public offering of its Class A Common Stock (the "IPO");

WHEREAS, on the date hereof and immediately following the IPO, the Corporation used a portion of the net proceeds from the IPO to purchase newly-issued Units directly from the LLC (the "Base Offering Capital Contribution");

WHEREAS, on and after the date hereof, the Corporation may issue additional Class A Common Stock in connection with the IPO as a result of the exercise by the underwriters of their over-allotment option (the "Over-Allotment Option") and, if the Over-Allotment Option is in fact exercised in whole or in part, any additional net proceeds will be used by the Corporation to acquire additional newly-issued Units directly from the LLC (the "Over-Allotment Capital Contribution" and, together with the Base Offering Capital Contribution, the "Corporation's Capital Contribution");

WHEREAS, on and after the date hereof, pursuant to Article IX of the LLC Agreement, each Member has the right, in its sole discretion, from time to time to require the LLC to redeem (a "Redemption") all or a portion of such Member's Units for Class A Common Stock or, under certain circumstances, cash; *provided* that, at the election of the Corporation in its sole discretion, the Corporation may effect a direct exchange (a "<u>Direct Exchange</u>") of such Class A Common Stock or, under certain circumstances, cash for such Units;

WHEREAS, subject to Section 2.1(b), the LLC and any direct or indirect subsidiary (owned through a chain of pass-through entities) of the LLC that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes (together with the LLC and any direct or indirect subsidiary (owned through a chain of pass-through entities) of the LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the "LLC Group") will have in effect an election under

Section 754 of the Code (as defined herein) for the Taxable Year (as defined herein) in which any Exchange or Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction (each as defined below) occurs, which election will result in an adjustment to the Corporation's share of the tax basis of the assets owned by the LLC Group as of the date of the Exchange or Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction, with a consequent result on the taxable income subsequently derived therefrom; and

WHEREAS, the parties to this Agreement desire to provide for certain payments and make certain arrangements with respect to any tax benefits to be derived by the Corporation as the result of Exchanges and Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transactions, and the receipt of payments under this Agreement, as contemplated by the LLC Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the respective covenants and agreements set forth herein, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Agreement, the terms set forth in this Article I shall have the following meanings (such meanings to be equally applicable to both (i) the singular and plural and (ii) the active and passive forms of the terms defined).

"Actual Interest Amount" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(vii) of this Agreement.

"Advisory Firm" means an accounting firm selected by the Corporation that is nationally recognized as being an expert in Covered Tax matters and is not an Affiliate of the Corporation.

"Advisory Firm Letter" means a letter, that has been prepared by the Advisory Firm used by the Corporation in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, which states that the relevant Schedules, notices or other information to be provided by the Corporation to the Members, along with all supporting schedules and work papers, were prepared in a manner that is consistent with the terms of this Agreement and, to the extent not expressly provided in this Agreement, on a reasonable basis in light of the facts and law in existence on the date such Schedules, notices or other information were delivered by the Corporation to the Members.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with, such first Person.

"Aggregate Adjusted Tax Benefit Amount" is defined in Section 3.5(b).

"Aggregate Tax Benefit Payments" is defined in Section 3.5(b).

"Agreed Rate" means LIBOR plus 100 basis points.

"Agreement" is defined in the preamble.

- "Amended Schedule" is defined in Section 2.4(b) of this Agreement.
- "Attributable" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(i) of this Agreement.
- "Audit Committee" means the audit committee of the Board.

"Basis Adjustment" means the increase or decrease to the tax basis of, or the Corporation's share of the tax basis of, the Reference Assets (i) under Section 734(b), 743(b) and 754 of the Code and, in each case, the comparable sections of U.S. state and local tax law (in situations where, following an Exchange, the LLC remains in existence as an entity for tax purposes), (ii) under Sections 732 and 1012 of the Code and, in each case, the comparable sections of U.S. state and local tax law (in situations where, as a result of one or more Exchanges, the LLC becomes an entity that is disregarded as separate from its owner for tax purposes), in the case of each of (i) and (ii), as a result of any Exchange and any payments made under this Agreement in respect of such Exchange, or (iii) under Section 734(b), as a result of a Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction and any payments made under this Agreement in respect of such Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the amount of any Basis Adjustment resulting from an Exchange of one or more Units shall be determined without regard to any Pre-Exchange Transfer of such Units and as if any such Pre-Exchange Transfer had not occurred.

"Basis Schedule" is defined in Section 2.2 of this Agreement.

"Beneficial Owner" means, with respect to any security, a Person who directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship or otherwise, has or shares: (i) voting power, which includes the power to vote, or to direct the voting of, with respect to such security and/or (ii) investment power, which includes the power to dispose of, or to direct the disposition of, such security.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

"Business Day" means any day excluding Saturday, Sunday and any day that is a legal holiday under the laws of the State of New York or is a day on which banking institutions located in New York are closed.

"Change Notice" is defined in Section 3.5(a) of this Agreement.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following events:

(1) any "person" or "group" (within the meaning of Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor provisions thereto (the "Exchange Act") but excluding any employee benefit plan of such person and its subsidiaries, and any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan, and excluding the Permitted Investors) shall become the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of voting stock of the Corporation entitling such "person" or "group" to cast more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes eligible to be cast in an election of directors of the Corporation;

- (2) the shareholders of the Corporation approve a plan of complete liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation or there is consummated an agreement or series of related agreements for the sale or other disposition, directly, or indirectly, by the Corporation of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets (on a consolidated basis, including a sale of assets of the LLC and its subsidiaries), other than such sale or other disposition by the Corporation of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets to an entity at least fifty percent (50%) of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by shareholders of the Corporation in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of the Corporation immediately prior to such sale; or
- (3) there is consummated a merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Corporation (including the LLC) with any other corporation or other entity, and, immediately after the consummation of such merger or consolidation, either (x) the board of directors of the Corporation immediately prior to the merger or consolidation does not constitute at least a majority of the board of directors of the company surviving the merger or, if the surviving company is a subsidiary, the ultimate parent thereof, or (y) all of the Persons who were the respective beneficial owners of the voting securities of the Corporation immediately prior to such merger or consolidation do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of the Person resulting from such merger or consolidation.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a "Change of Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred by virtue of the consummation of any transaction or series of integrated transactions immediately following which the record holders of the Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock immediately prior to such transaction or series of transactions continue to have substantially the same proportionate ownership in and voting control over, and own substantially all of the shares of, an entity which owns all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation immediately following such transaction or series of transactions. For purposes of this definition, the terms "beneficial owner" and "beneficially owned" are used within the meaning of such terms under Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act.

"Clawback Payment" is defined in Section 3.5(b).

"Clawback Payment Date" is defined in Section 3.5(b).

"Code" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and applicable Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Control" means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"Corporation" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Corporation's Capital Contribution" is defined in the recitals to this Agreement.

- "Covered Taxes" means any and all U.S. federal, state and local taxes, assessments or similar charges that are based on or measured with respect to net income or profits and any interest, penalties and additions to tax related thereto.
 - "Cumulative Net Realized Tax Benefit" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(iii) of this Agreement.
 - "Default Rate" means LIBOR plus 500 basis points.
 - "Default Rate Interest" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(ix) of this Agreement.
- "<u>Determination</u>" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 1313(a) of the Code or similar provision of U.S. state tax law, as applicable, or any other event (including the execution of IRS Form 870-AD) that finally and conclusively establishes the amount of any liability for tax.
 - "Direct Exchange" is defined in the recitals to this agreement.
 - "Dispute" is defined in Section 7.8(a) of this Agreement.
 - "Early Termination Effective Date" means the date of an Early Termination Notice for purposes of determining the Early Termination Payment.
 - "Early Termination Notice" is defined in Section 4.2 of this Agreement.
 - "Early Termination Payment" is defined in Section 4.3(b) of this Agreement.
 - "Early Termination Rate" means the lesser of (i) 6.50% per annum, compounded annually, and (ii) the Agreed Rate.
 - "Early Termination Reference Date" is defined in Section 4.2 of this Agreement.
 - "Early Termination Schedule" is defined in Section 4.2 of this Agreement.
 - "Estimated Tax Benefit Payment" is defined in Section 3.4 of this Agreement.
- "Exchange" means (i) any Direct Exchange, (ii) any Redemption or (iii) any transaction using the proceeds from the Base Offering Capital Contribution or the Over-Allotment Option Capital Contribution that results in a Basis Adjustment.
 - "Exchange Date" means the date of any Exchange.
 - "Expert" is defined in Section 7.9 of this Agreement.
 - "Extension Rate Interest" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(viii) of this Agreement.

"<u>Final Payment Date</u>" means any date on which a payment is required to be made pursuant to this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the Final Payment Date in respect of a Tax Benefit Payment is determined pursuant to Section 3.1(a) of this Agreement.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, as in effect from time to time; provided, however, that if the Corporation notifies the Members that the Corporation requests an amendment to any provision hereof to eliminate the effect of any change in GAAP or in the application thereof occurring after the date of this Agreement (including through the adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards and applicable accounting requirements set by the International Accounting Standards Board or any successor thereto, "IFRS") on the operation of such provision (or if the Members notify the Corporation that they request an amendment to any provision hereof for such purpose), regardless of whether any such notice is given before or after such change in GAAP or in the application thereof (including through the adoption of IFRS), then such provision shall be interpreted on the basis of GAAP as in effect and applied immediately before such change shall have become effective until such notice shall have been withdrawn or such provision amended in accordance herewith.

"Hypothetical Tax Liability" means, with respect to any Taxable Year, the hypothetical liability of the Corporation that would arise in respect of Covered Taxes, using the same methods, elections, conventions and similar practices used on the actual relevant Tax Returns of the Corporation but (i) calculating depreciation, amortization, or other similar deductions, or otherwise calculating any items of income, gain, or loss, using the Non-Adjusted Tax Basis as reflected on the Basis Schedule, including amendments thereto for the Taxable Year and (ii) excluding any deduction attributable to Imputed Interest or Actual Interest Amounts for the Taxable Year. For the avoidance of doubt, the Hypothetical Tax Liability shall be determined without taking into account the carryover or carryback of any tax item (or portions thereof) that is attributable to any of the items described in the previous sentence.

"Imputed Interest" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(vi) of this Agreement.

"<u>Independent Directors</u>" means the members of the Board other than members of the Board that have been appointed or designated by a Member or any of such Member's Affiliates.

" $\underline{\text{IPO}}$ " is defined in the recitals to this Agreement

"IRS" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

"Joinder" means a joinder to this Agreement, in form and substance substantially similar to Exhibit A to this Agreement.

"Joinder Requirement" is defined in Section 7.6(b) of this Agreement.

"<u>LIBOR</u>" means during any period, a rate per annum equal to the ICE USD LIBOR rate for a period of one year ("<u>ICE LIBOR</u>"), as published on the applicable Bloomberg screen page (or such other commercially available source providing quotations of ICE LIBOR as may be designated by the Corporation from time to time), or the rate which is quoted by another source selected by the Corporation, in conjunction with S&N, as an authorized information vendor for

the purpose of displaying rates at which U.S. dollar deposits are offered by leading banks in the London interbank deposit market (an "<u>Alternate Source</u>") at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of such period, for dollar deposits (for delivery on the first day of such period) with a term equivalent to such period (or if there shall at any time, for any reason, no longer exist a Bloomberg screen page publishing ICE USD LIBOR (or other commercially available source) or any Alternate Source, a comparable replacement rate determined in good faith by the Corporation and S&N; provided, that at no time shall LIBOR be less than 0%).

"LLC Agreement" means that certain Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Bioventus LLC, dated as of the date hereof, as such agreement may be further amended, restated, supplemented and/or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Market Value" means the Common Unit Redemption Price, as defined in the LLC Agreement, determined as of an Early Termination Date.

"Members" is defined in the recitals to this Agreement.

"LLC" is defined in the recitals to this Agreement.

"Net Tax Benefit" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(ii) of this Agreement.

"Non-Adjusted Tax Basis" means, with respect to any Reference Asset at any time, the tax basis that such asset would have had at such time if no Basis Adjustments had been made.

"Objection Notice" is defined in Section 2.4(a)(i) of this Agreement.

"Over-Allotment Option" is defined in the recitals to this Agreement.

"<u>Parties</u>" means the parties named on the signature pages to this agreement and each additional party that satisfies the Joinder Requirement, in each case with their respective successors and assigns.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, firm, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, estate, trust, business association, organization, governmental entity or other entity.

"Permitted Investors" shall mean (i) Smith & Nephew plc and Essex Woodlands Health Ventures and their respective affiliates (other than any portfolio company) and (ii) any "group" (within the meaning of Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) of which any of the foregoing are members; provided that in the case of such group and without giving effect to the existence of such group or any other group, such persons referenced in clause (i) above, collectively, have beneficial ownership of more than 50% of the total voting power of the voting stock of the Corporation or any of its direct or indirect parent companies.

"Pre-Exchange Transfer" means any transfer of one or more Units (including upon the death of a Member or upon the issuance of Units resulting from the exercise of an option to acquire such Units) (i) that occurs after the IPO but prior to an Exchange of such Units and (ii) to which Section 743(b) of the Code applies.

- "Realized Tax Benefit" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(iv) of this Agreement.
- "Realized Tax Detriment" is defined in Section 3.1(b)(v) of this Agreement.
- "Reconciliation Dispute" is defined in Section 7.9 of this Agreement.
- "Reconciliation Procedures" is defined in Section 2.4(a) of this Agreement.
- "Redemption" has the meaning in the recitals to this Agreement.

"Reference Asset" means any tangible or intangible asset of the LLC or any of its successors or assigns, and whether held directly by the LLC or indirectly by the LLC through any entity in which the LLC now holds or may subsequently hold an ownership interest (but only if such entity is treated as a partnership or disregarded entity for purposes of the applicable tax), at the time of an Exchange or Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction. A Reference Asset also includes any asset the tax basis of which is determined, in whole or in part, by reference to the tax basis of an asset that is described in the preceding sentence, including "substituted basis property" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(42) of the Code.

"Schedule" means any of the following: (i) a Basis Schedule, (ii) a Tax Benefit Schedule, or (iii) the Early Termination Schedule, and, in each case, any amendments thereto.

"Senior Obligations" is defined in Section 5.1 of this Agreement.

"Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction" means (i) any distribution, transaction or other event or change in circumstances, including any repayment by the LLC of any liabilities or the issuance by the LLC of additional Units or other equity interests pursuant to the Corporation's Capital Contribution or otherwise, which results in a reduction in the amount of liabilities allocated to S&N under Section 752 of the Code, other than as a result of an Exchange, and (ii) any payment made pursuant to this Agreement with respect to such Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction, in each case, only to the extent that such distribution, transaction, event or change in circumstances, or such payment, results in the recognition of gain by S&N under Section 731(a)(1).

"Subsidiary." means, with respect to any Person and as of the date of any determination, any other Person as to which such Person, owns, directly or indirectly, or otherwise controls, more than 50% of the voting power or other similar interests, or the sole general partner interest, or managing member or similar interest, of such Person.

"Subsidiary Stock" means any stock or other equity interest in any subsidiary entity of the Corporation that is treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

"Tax Benefit Payment" is defined in Section 3.1(b) of this Agreement.

"Tax Benefit Schedule" is defined in Section 2.3(a) of this Agreement.

"<u>Tax Return</u>" means any return, declaration, report or similar statement required to be filed with respect to taxes (including any attached schedules), including, without limitation, any information return, claim for refund, amended return and declaration of estimated tax.

"<u>Taxable Year</u>" means a taxable year of the Corporation as defined in Section 441(b) of the Code or comparable section of U.S. state or local tax law, as applicable (and, therefore, for the avoidance of doubt, may include a period of less than 12 months for which a Tax Return is made), ending on or after the closing date of the IPO.

"<u>Taxing Authority</u>" shall mean any national, federal, state, county, municipal, or local government, or any subdivision, agency, commission or authority thereof, or any quasi-governmental body, or any other authority of any kind, exercising regulatory or other authority in relation to tax matters.

"Termination Objection Notice" is defined in Section 4.2 of this Agreement.

"<u>Treasury Regulations</u>" means the final, temporary, and (to the extent they can be relied upon) proposed regulations under the Code, as promulgated from time to time (including corresponding provisions and succeeding provisions) as in effect for the relevant taxable period.

"True-Up" is defined in Section 3.4 of this Agreement.

"U.S." means the United States of America.

"Units" is defined in the recitals to this Agreement.

"Valuation Assumptions" shall mean, as of an Early Termination Effective Date, the assumptions that:

- (1) in each Taxable Year ending on or after such Early Termination Effective Date, the Corporation will have taxable income sufficient to fully use the deductions arising from the Basis Adjustments and the Imputed Interest during such Taxable Year or future Taxable Years (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Basis Adjustments and Imputed Interest that would result from future Tax Benefit Payments that would be paid in accordance with the Valuation Assumptions) in which such deductions would become available;
- (2) the U.S. federal income tax rates and U.S. state income tax rates that will be in effect for each such Taxable Year will be those specified for each such Taxable Year by the Code and other law as in effect on the Early Termination Effective Date, except to the extent any change to such tax rates for such Taxable Year have already been enacted into law;
- (3) all taxable income of the Corporation will be subject to the maximum applicable tax rates for each Covered Tax throughout the relevant period;
- (4) any loss carryovers or carrybacks generated by any Basis Adjustment or Imputed Interest (including such Basis Adjustment and Imputed Interest generated as a

result of payments under this Agreement) and available under applicable law as of the date of the Early Termination Schedule will be used by the Corporation on a pro rata basis from the date of the Early Termination Schedule through the scheduled expiration date of such loss carryovers or carrybacks or, if there is no scheduled expiration date, the fifth (5th) anniversary of the Early Termination Effective Date;

- (5) any non-amortizable assets (other than Subsidiary Stock) will be disposed of on the fifteenth anniversary of the applicable Basis Adjustment; provided that, in the event of a Change of Control, such non-amortizable assets shall be deemed disposed of at the time of sale of the relevant asset (if earlier than such fifteenth anniversary);
 - (6) any Subsidiary Stock will be deemed never to be disposed of;
- (7) if, on the Early Termination Effective Date, any Member has Units that have not been Exchanged, then such Units shall be deemed to be Exchanged for the Market Value that would be received by such Member if such Units had been Exchanged on the Early Termination Effective Date, and such Member shall be deemed to receive the amount of cash such Member would have been entitled to pursuant to Section 4.3(a) had such Units actually been Exchanged on the Early Termination Effective Date; and
- (8) any payment obligations pursuant to this Agreement will be satisfied on the date that any Tax Return to which such payment obligation relates is required to be filed excluding any extensions.

Section 1.2 Rules of Construction. Unless otherwise specified herein:

- (a) The meanings of defined terms are equally applicable to the singular and plural forms of the defined terms.
- (b) For purposes of interpretation of this Agreement:
- (i) The words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision thereof.
- (ii) References in this Agreement to a Schedule, Article, Section, clause or sub-clause refer to the appropriate Schedule to, or Article, Section, clause or subclause in, this Agreement.
 - (iii) References in this Agreement to dollars or "\$" refer to the lawful currency of the United States of America.
 - (iv) The term "including" is by way of example and not limitation.
- (v) The term "documents" includes any and all instruments, documents, agreements, certificates, notices, reports, financial statements and other writings, however evidenced, whether in physical or electronic form.

- (c) In the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word "from" means "from and including;" the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding;" and the word "through" means "to and including."
 - (d) Section headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.
- (e) Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, (a) references to organization documents (including the LLC Agreement), agreements (including this Agreement) and other contractual instruments shall be deemed to include all subsequent amendments, restatements, extensions, supplements and other modifications thereto, but only to the extent that such amendments, restatements, extensions, supplements and other modifications are permitted hereby; and (b) references to any law (including the Code and the Treasury Regulations) shall include all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing, supplementing or interpreting such Law.

ARTICLE II. DETERMINATION OF REALIZED TAX BENEFIT

Section 2.1 <u>Basis Adjustments; 754 Election</u>.

- (a) <u>Basis Adjustments</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that (A) each Direct Exchange shall give rise to Basis Adjustments, (B) each Redemption using cash or Class A Common Stock contributed to the LLC by the Corporation shall be treated as a direct purchase of Units by the Corporation from the applicable Member pursuant to Section 707(a)(2)(B) of the Code that will give rise to Basis Adjustments and (C) each Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction shall give rise to Basis Adjustments. In connection with any Direct Exchange or Redemption, the Parties acknowledge and agree that pursuant to applicable law the Corporation's share of the basis in the Reference Assets shall be increased by the excess, if any, of (A) the sum of (x) the Market Value of Class A Common Stock or the cash transferred to a Member pursuant to an Exchange as payment for the Units, (y) the amount of payments made pursuant to this Agreement with respect to such Exchange and (z) the amount of liabilities allocated to the Units acquired pursuant to the Exchange, over (B) the Corporation's proportionate share of the basis of the Reference Assets immediately after the Exchange attributable to the Units exchanged, determined as if each member of the LLC Group remains in existence as an entity for tax purposes and no member of the LLC Group made the election provided by Section 754 of the Code. For the avoidance of doubt, payments made under this Agreement shall not be treated as resulting in a Basis Adjustment to the extent such payments are treated as Imputed Interest or are Actual Interest Amounts. With respect to any Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction, the Parties agree to work in good faith to determine the appropriate tax treatment of such transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, taking into account, among other things, whether one or more Exchanges has occurred prior to such Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction.
- (b) <u>Section 754 Election</u>. In its capacity as the sole managing member of the LLC, the Corporation will ensure that, on and after the date hereof and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, the LLC and each of its direct and indirect Subsidiaries that is treated as a

partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes will have in effect an election under Section 754 of the Code (and under any similar provisions of applicable U.S. state or local law); *provided* that with respect to any direct or indirect Subsidiary of the LLC that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes for which the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries do not have the authority under the governing documents of such Subsidiary to cause such Subsidiary to have in effect an election under Section 754 of the Code (or under any similar provisions of applicable U.S. state or local law), the Corporation shall only be required to take commercially reasonable efforts to cause such Subsidiary to have such an election in effect.

Section 2.2 <u>Basis Schedules</u>. Within sixty (60) calendar days after the filing of the U.S. federal income Tax Return of the Corporation for each relevant Taxable Year, the Corporation shall deliver to the Members a schedule (the "<u>Basis Schedule</u>") that shows, in reasonable detail as necessary in order to understand the calculations performed under this Agreement: (a) the Basis Adjustments with respect to the Reference Assets as a result of the relevant Exchanges or Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transactions effected in such Taxable Year and (b) the period (or periods) over which each Basis Adjustment is amortizable and/or depreciable. The Basis Schedule will become final and binding on the Parties pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 2.4(a) and may be amended by the Parties pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 2.4(b).

Section 2.3 Tax Benefit Schedules.

- (a) <u>Tax Benefit Schedule</u>. Within sixty (60) calendar days after the filing of the U.S. federal income Tax Return of the Corporation for any Taxable Year in which there is a Realized Tax Benefit or Realized Tax Detriment, the Corporation shall provide to the Members a schedule showing, in reasonable detail, the calculation of the Realized Tax Benefit or Realized Tax Detriment for such Taxable Year (a "<u>Tax Benefit Schedule</u>"). The Tax Benefit Schedule will become final and binding on the Parties pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 2.4(a), and may be amended by the Parties pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 2.4(b).
- (b) <u>Applicable Principles</u>. Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, the Realized Tax Benefit or Realized Tax Detriment for each Taxable Year is intended to measure the decrease or increase in the actual liability of the Corporation for Covered Taxes for such Taxable Year attributable to the Basis Adjustments, Imputed Interest and Actual Interest Amounts, as determined using a "with and without" methodology described in Section 2.4(a). Carryovers or carrybacks of any Tax item attributable to any Basis Adjustment, Imputed Interest or Actual Interest Amounts shall be considered to be subject to the rules of the Code and the Treasury Regulations or the appropriate provisions of U.S. state and local tax law, as applicable, governing the use, limitation and expiration of carryovers or carrybacks of the relevant type. If a carryover or carryback of any Tax item includes a portion that is attributable to a Basis Adjustment, Imputed Interest or Actual Interest Amounts (a "TRA Portion") and another portion that is not (a "Non-TRA Portion"), such portions shall be considered to be used in accordance with the "with and without" methodology so that: (i) the amount of any Non-TRA Portion is deemed utilized first, followed by the amount of any TRA Portion (with the TRA Portion being applied on a proportionate basis consistent with the provisions of Section 3.3(a)); and (ii) in the case of a carryback of a Non-TRA Portion, such carryback shall not affect the original "with and without" calculation made in the prior Taxable Year. The Parties agree that (i) all Tax Benefit

Payments (other than Imputed Interest and Actual Interest Amounts) attributable to an Exchange will (A) be treated as subsequent upward purchase price adjustments that give rise to further Basis Adjustments for the Corporation and (B) have the effect of creating additional Basis Adjustments for the Corporation in the year of payment, and (ii) as a result, such additional Basis Adjustments will be incorporated into the current Taxable Year continuing until any incremental current Taxable Year benefits equal an immaterial amount.

Section 2.4 Procedures; Amendments.

- (a) Procedures. Each time the Corporation delivers an applicable Schedule to the Members under this Agreement, including any Amended Schedule delivered pursuant to Section 2.4(b), but excluding any Early Termination Schedule or amended Early Termination Schedule delivered pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 4.2, the Corporation shall also: (x) deliver supporting schedules and work papers, as determined by the Corporation or as reasonably requested by the Members that provide a reasonable level of detail regarding the data and calculations that were relevant for purposes of preparing the Schedule; (y) deliver an Advisory Firm Letter supporting such Schedule; and (z) allow the Members and their advisors to have reasonable access to the appropriate representatives, as determined by the Corporation or as reasonably requested by the Members, at the Corporation and the Advisory Firm in connection with a review of such Schedule. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, the Corporation shall ensure that any Tax Benefit Schedule that is delivered to the Members along with any supporting schedules and work papers, provides a reasonably detailed presentation of the calculation of the actual liability of the Corporation for Covered Taxes (the "with" calculation) and the Hypothetical Tax Liability of the Corporation (the "without" calculation), and identifies any material assumptions or operating procedures or principles that were used for purposes of such calculations. An applicable Schedule or amendment thereto shall become final and binding on the Parties thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the Members first received the applicable Schedule or amendment thereto unless:
 - (i) a Member within thirty (30) calendar days after receiving the applicable Schedule or amendment thereto, provides the Corporation with (A) written notice of a material objection to such Schedule that is made in good faith and that sets forth in reasonable detail the Member's material objection (an "Objection Notice") and (B) a letter from an Advisory Firm (that is different from the Advisory Firm that was used by the Corporation to prepare the Schedule at issue) in support of such Objection Notice; or
 - (ii) each of the Members provides a written waiver of its right to deliver an Objection Notice within the time period described in clause (i) above, in which case such Schedule or amendment thereto becomes binding on the date the waiver from each of the Members is received by the Corporation.

In the event that any Member timely delivers an Objection Notice pursuant to clause (i) above, and if the Parties, for any reason, are unable to successfully resolve the issues raised in the Objection Notice within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt by the Corporation of the Objection Notice, the Corporation and the relevant Members shall employ the reconciliation procedures as described in Section 7.9 of this Agreement (the "Reconciliation Procedures"). For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the expense of

preparing and obtaining the letter from an Advisory Firm referenced in clause (i) above shall be borne solely by the relevant Members and the Corporation shall have no liability with respect to such letter or any of the expenses associated with its preparation and delivery.

(b) Amended Schedule. The applicable Schedule for any Taxable Year may be amended from time to time by the Corporation: (i) in connection with a Determination affecting such Schedule; (ii) to correct inaccuracies in the Schedule identified as a result of the receipt of additional factual information relating to a Taxable Year after the date the Schedule was originally provided to the Members; (iii) to comply with an Expert's determination under the Reconciliation Procedures applicable to this Agreement; (iv) to reflect a change in the Realized Tax Benefit or Realized Tax Detriment for such Taxable Year attributable to a carryback or carryforward of a loss or other Tax item, to the extent available under applicable law, to such Taxable Year; (v) to reflect a change in the Realized Tax Benefit or Realized Tax Detriment for such Taxable Year attributable to an amended Tax Return filed for such Taxable Year; or (vi) to adjust a Basis Schedule to take into account any Tax Benefit Payments made pursuant to this Agreement (any such Schedule, an "Amended Schedule").

ARTICLE III. TAX BENEFIT PAYMENTS

Section 3.1 <u>Timing and Amount of Tax Benefit Payments.</u>

- (a) <u>Timing of Payments</u>. Except as provided in Sections 3.4, 3.5(b) and 4.1(b), and subject to Sections 3.2 and 3.3, within three (3) Business Days following the date on which each Tax Benefit Schedule that is required to be delivered by the Corporation to the Members pursuant to Section 2.3(a) of this Agreement becomes final in accordance with Section 2.4(a) of this Agreement, the Corporation shall pay to each relevant Member the Tax Benefit Payment as determined pursuant to Section 3.1(b). Each such Tax Benefit Payment shall be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the bank account previously designated by such Members or as otherwise agreed by the Corporation and such Members. For the avoidance of doubt, except as described in Section 3.5(b), the Members shall not be required under any circumstances to return any portion of any Tax Benefit Payment previously paid by the Corporation to the Members (including any portion of any Estimated Tax Benefit Payment or any Early Termination Payment).
- (b) <u>Amount of Payments</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, a "<u>Tax Benefit Payment</u>" with respect to any Member means an amount, not less than zero, equal to the sum of: (i) the Net Tax Benefit that is Attributable to such Member (including Imputed Interest calculated in respect of such amount); and (ii) the Actual Interest Amount.
 - (i) <u>Attributable</u>. A Net Tax Benefit is "<u>Attributable</u>" to a Member to the extent that it is derived from any Basis Adjustment, Imputed Interest, or Actual Interest Amount that is attributable to an Exchange undertaken by or with respect to such Member or a Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction with respect to such Member.

- (ii) Net Tax Benefit. The "Net Tax Benefit" for a Taxable Year equals the amount of the excess, if any, of (x) 85% of the Cumulative Net Realized Tax Benefit as of the end of such Taxable Year over (y) the aggregate amount of all Tax Benefit Payments previously made to such Member under this Section 3.1 reduced by any Clawback Payments previously paid to the Corporation by such Member pursuant to Section 3.5(b). For the avoidance of doubt, except as described in Section 3.5(b), if the Cumulative Net Realized Tax Benefit as of the end of any Taxable Year is less than the aggregate amount of all Tax Benefit Payments previously made to a Member, such Member shall not be required to return any portion of any Tax Benefit Payment previously made by the Corporation to such Member.
- (iii) <u>Cumulative Net Realized Tax Benefit</u>. The "<u>Cumulative Net Realized Tax Benefit</u>" for a Taxable Year equals the cumulative amount of Realized Tax Benefits for all Taxable Years of the Corporation, up to and including such Taxable Year, net of the cumulative amount of Realized Tax Detriments for the same period. The Realized Tax Benefit and Realized Tax Detriment for each Taxable Year shall be determined based on the most recent Tax Benefit Schedule or Amended Schedule, if any, in existence at the time of such determination.
- (iv) Realized Tax Benefit. The "Realized Tax Benefit" for a Taxable Year equals the excess, if any, of the Hypothetical Tax Liability over the actual liability of the Corporation for Covered Taxes. If all or a portion of the actual liability for such Covered Taxes for the Taxable Year arises as a result of an audit by a Taxing Authority of any Taxable Year, such liability shall not be included in determining the Realized Tax Benefit unless and until there has been a Determination.
- (v) <u>Realized Tax Detriment</u>. The "<u>Realized Tax Detriment</u>" for a Taxable Year equals the excess, if any, of the actual liability of the Corporation for Covered Taxes over the Hypothetical Tax Liability for such Taxable Year. If all or a portion of the actual liability for such Covered Taxes for the Taxable Year arises as a result of an audit by a Taxing Authority of any Taxable Year, such liability shall not be included in determining the Realized Tax Detriment unless and until there has been a Determination.
- (vi) Imputed Interest. The principles of Sections 1272, 1274, or 483 of the Code, as applicable, and the principles of any similar provision of U.S. state and local law, will apply to cause a portion of any Net Tax Benefit payable by the Corporation to a Member under this Agreement with respect to an Exchange to be treated as imputed interest ("Imputed Interest"). For the avoidance of doubt, the deduction for the amount of Imputed Interest as determined with respect to any Net Tax Benefit payable by the Corporation to a Member shall be excluded in determining the Hypothetical Tax Liability of the Corporation for purposes of calculating Realized Tax Benefits and Realized Tax Detriments pursuant to this Agreement.
- (vii) Actual Interest Amount. The "Actual Interest Amount" calculated in respect of the Net Tax Benefit for a Taxable Year will equal the amount of any Extension Rate Interest. For the avoidance of doubt, any deduction for any Actual Interest Amount as determined with respect to any Net Tax Benefit payable by the Corporation to a

Member shall be excluded in determining the Hypothetical Tax Liability of the Corporation for purposes of calculating Realized Tax Benefits and Realized Tax Detriments pursuant to this Agreement.

- (viii) Extension Rate Interest. Subject to Section 3.4, the amount of "Extension Rate Interest" calculated in respect of the Net Tax Benefit (including previously accrued Imputed Interest) for a Taxable Year will equal interest calculated at the Agreed Rate from the due date (without extensions) for filing the U.S. federal income Tax Return of the Corporation for such Taxable Year until the date on which the Corporation makes a timely Tax Benefit Payment to the Member on or before the Final Payment Date as determined pursuant to Section 3.1(a).
- (ix) <u>Default Rate Interest</u>. In the event that the Corporation does not make timely payment of all or any portion of a Tax Benefit Payment to a Member on or before the Final Payment Date as determined pursuant to Section 3.1(a), the amount of "<u>Default Rate Interest</u>" calculated in respect of the Net Tax Benefit (including previously accrued Imputed Interest and Extension Rate Interest) for a Taxable Year will equal interest calculated at the Default Rate from the Final Payment Date for a Tax Benefit Payment as determined pursuant to Section 3.1(a) until the date on which the Corporation makes such Tax Benefit Payment to such Member. For the avoidance of doubt, the amount of any Default Rate Interest as determined with respect to any Net Tax Benefit payable by the Corporation to a Member shall be included in the Hypothetical Tax Liability of the Corporation for purposes of calculating Realized Tax Benefits and Realized Tax Detriments pursuant to this Agreement.
- (x) The Corporation and the Members hereby acknowledge and agree that, as of the date of this Agreement and as of the date of any future Exchange or Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transaction that may be subject to this Agreement, the aggregate value of the Tax Benefit Payments cannot be reasonably ascertained for U.S. federal income or other applicable tax purposes.
- (c) <u>Interest</u>. The provisions of Section 3.1(b) are intended to operate so that interest will effectively accrue in respect of the Net Tax Benefit for any Taxable Year as follows:
 - (i) first, at the applicable rate used to determine the amount of Imputed Interest under the Code (from the relevant Exchange Date or date on which the relevant Tax Benefit Payment was made until the due date (without extensions) for filing the U.S. federal income Tax Return of the Corporation for such Taxable Year);
 - (ii) second, at the Agreed Rate in respect of any Extension Rate Interest (from the due date (without extensions) for filing the U.S. federal income Tax Return of the Corporation for such Taxable Year until the Final Payment Date for a Tax Benefit Payment as determined pursuant to Section 3.1(a)); and
 - (iii) third, at the Default Rate in respect of any Default Rate Interest (from the Final Payment Date for a Tax Benefit Payment as determined pursuant to Section 3.1(a) until the date on which the Corporation makes the relevant Tax Benefit Payment to a Member).

Section 3.2 <u>No Duplicative Payments</u>. It is intended that the provisions of this Agreement will not result in the duplicative payment of any amount (including interest) that may be required under this Agreement, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be consistently interpreted and applied in accordance with that intent. For purposes of this Agreement, and also for the avoidance of doubt, no Tax Benefit Payment shall be required to be calculated or made in respect of any estimated tax payments, including, without limitation, any estimated U.S. federal income tax payments.

Section 3.3 Pro-Ration of Payments as Between the Members.

- (a) <u>Insufficient Taxable Income</u>. Notwithstanding anything in Section 3.1(b) to the contrary, if the aggregate potential Covered Tax benefit of the Corporation as calculated with respect to the Basis Adjustments, Imputed Interest and Actual Interest Amounts is limited in a particular Taxable Year because the Corporation does not have sufficient actual taxable income to fully utilize available deductions, then the available Covered Tax benefit for the Corporation shall be allocated among the Members in proportion to the respective Tax Benefit Payment that would have been payable if the Corporation had in fact had sufficient taxable income so that there had been no such limitation. As an illustration of the intended operation of this Section 3.3(a), if the Corporation had \$200 of aggregate potential Covered Tax benefits with respect to the Basis Adjustments, Imputed Interest and Actual Interest Amounts in a particular Taxable Year (with \$50 of such Covered Tax benefits being attributable to Member 1 and \$150 of such Covered Tax benefits being attributable to Member 2), such that Member 1 would have potentially been entitled to a Tax Benefit Payment of \$42.50 and Member 2 would have been entitled to a Tax Benefit Payment of \$127.50 if the Corporation had \$200 of taxable income, and if at the same time the Corporation only had \$100 of actual taxable income in such Taxable Year, then \$25 of the aggregate \$100 actual Covered Tax benefit for the Corporation would be allocated to Member 1 would receive a Tax Benefit Payment of \$63.75.
- (b) <u>Late Payments</u>. If for any reason the Corporation is not able to timely and fully satisfy its payment obligations under this Agreement in respect of a particular Taxable Year, then Default Rate Interest will begin to accrue pursuant to Section 5.2 and the Corporation and other Parties agree that (i) the Corporation shall pay the Tax Benefit Payments due in respect of such Taxable Year to each Member pro rata, without favoring one obligation over the other, and (ii) no Tax Benefit Payment shall be made in respect of any Taxable Year until all Tax Benefit Payments to all Members in respect of all prior Taxable Years have been made in full.
- Section 3.4 Optional Estimated Payment Procedure. As long as the Corporation is current in respect of its payment obligations owed to each Member pursuant to this Agreement and there are no delinquent Tax Benefit Payments (including interest thereon) outstanding in respect of prior Taxable Years for any Member, the Corporation may, at any time on or after the due date (without extensions) for filing the U.S. federal income Tax Return of the Corporation for a Taxable Year and at the Corporation's option, in its sole discretion, make one or more

estimated payments to the Members in respect of any anticipated amounts to be owed with respect to a Taxable Year to the Members pursuant to Section 3.1 of this Agreement (any such estimated payments referred to as an "Estimated Tax Benefit Payment"); provided that any Estimated Tax Benefit Payment made to a Member pursuant to this Section 3.4 is matched by a proportionately equal Estimated Tax Benefit Payment to all other Members then entitled to a Tax Benefit Payment. Any Estimated Tax Benefit Payment made under this Section 3.4 shall be paid by the Corporation to the Members and applied against the final amount of any expected Tax Benefit Payment to be made pursuant to Section 3.1. The payment of an Estimated Tax Benefit Payment by the Corporation to the Members pursuant to this Section 3.4 shall also terminate the obligation of the Corporation to make payment of any Extension Rate Interest that might have otherwise accrued with respect to the proportionate amount of the Tax Benefit Payment that is being paid in advance of the applicable Tax Benefit Schedule being finalized pursuant to Section 2.4. Upon the making of any Estimated Tax Benefit Payment pursuant to this Section 3.4, the amount of such Estimated Tax Benefit Payment shall first be applied to any estimated Extension Rate Interest, then to Imputed Interest, and then applied to the remaining residual amount of the Tax Benefit Payment to be made pursuant to Section 3.1. In determining the final amount of any Tax Benefit Payment to be made pursuant to Section 3.1, and for purposes of finalizing the Tax Benefit Schedule pursuant to Section 2.4, the amount of any Estimated Tax Benefit Payments that may have been made with respect to the Taxable Year shall be increased, if the finally determined Tax Benefit Payment for a Taxable Year exceeds the Estimated Tax Benefit Payments made for such Taxable Year, with such increase being paid by the Corporation to the Members along with an appropriate amount of Extension Rate Interest in respect of the amount of such increase (a "True-Up"). If the Estimated Tax Benefit Payment for a Taxable Year exceeds the finally determined Tax Benefit Payment for such Taxable Year (such excess, the "Excess Tax Benefit Payment"), such Excess Tax Benefit Payment, along with interest on such amount calculated at the Agreed Rate from the date that the Tax Benefit Schedule for the applicable Taxable Year is finalized pursuant to Section 2.4, shall be applied to reduce the amount of any subsequent future Tax Benefit Payments (including Estimated Tax Benefit Payments, if any) to be paid by the Corporation to such Member; provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, a Member may, but shall not be not required to, repay to the Corporation all or a portion of such Excess Tax Benefit Payment, plus accrued interest in respect of such Excess Tax Benefit Payment as determined above, at any time after on or after the date that the Tax Benefit Schedule for the applicable Tax Year is finalized pursuant to Section 2.4, and to the extent of such repayment, the amount of any such reduction in the amount of any subsequent future Tax Benefit Payments (including Estimated Tax Benefit Payments, if any) to be paid by the Corporation to such Member shall be reduced accordingly. As of the date on which any Estimated Tax Benefit Payments are made, and as of the date on which any True-Up is made, all such payments shall be made in the same manner and subject to the same terms and conditions as otherwise contemplated by Section 3.1 and all other applicable terms of this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, as is the case with Tax Benefit Payments made by the Corporation to the Members pursuant to Section 3.1, the amounts of any Estimated Tax Benefit Payments made pursuant to this Section 3.4 that are attributable to an Exchange shall also be treated, in part, as subsequent upward purchase price adjustments that give rise to Basis Adjustments in the Taxable Year of payment and as of the date on which such payments are made (to the extent of the estimated Net Tax Benefit associated with such Estimated Tax Benefit Payment, less any Imputed Interest, and exclusive of any Extension Rate Interest).

Section 3.5 Changes; Clawback.

- (a) Receipt of Change Notice. If any Party, or any Affiliate or Subsidiary of any Party, receives a 30-day letter, a final audit report, a statutory notice of deficiency, or similar written notice from any Taxing Authority relating to the amount of the Net Tax Benefit calculated for purposes of this Agreement, or relating to any other material tax matter that is relevant to the terms of this Agreement and the calculation of the Tax Benefit Payments that may be payable by the Corporation to the Members (a "Change Notice"), prompt written notification and a copy of the relevant Change Notice shall be delivered by the Party, or its Affiliate or Subsidiary, that received such Change Notice to each other Party.
- (b) <u>Clawback</u>. If there has been a Determination with respect to any Taxable Year or Taxable Years (including for the avoidance of doubt any Taxable Year or Taxable Years that are impacted by such Determination), and the aggregate amount of Tax Benefit Payments previously made to any Member pursuant to this Agreement for such relevant Taxable Years (reduced by any Clawback Payments previously paid to the Corporation by such Member pursuant to this Section 3.5(b) with respect to such relevant Taxable Years) (such amount, the "Aggregate Tax Benefit Payments") is greater than the aggregate amount that such Tax Benefit Payments for such relevant Taxable Years would equal if calculated by taking into account the adjustments made in connection with such Determination (including, for the avoidance of doubt, interest, penalties and additions to tax related thereto) (such amount, an "Aggregate Adjusted Tax Benefit Amount"), then (i) the Corporation shall deliver to the Members an Amended Schedule (in accordance with Section 2.4) for each relevant Taxable Year (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each such Amended Schedule shall reflect the adjustments, interest, penalties and additions to tax related to such Determination which arise in the relevant Taxable Year) and (ii) each Member shall, within fifteen (15) days of such Amended Schedule becoming final in accordance with Section 2.4(a) of this Agreement (the "Clawback Payment Date"), pay to the Corporation the excess of (x) such Member's Aggregate Tax Benefit Payments over (y) such Member's Aggregate Adjusted Tax Benefit Amount, calculated in accordance with such Amended Schedule(s) (such excess, a "Clawback Payment"). Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, Clawback Payments payable pursuant to this Agreement shall first be offset by the Tax Benefit Payment for the Taxable Year in which the Determination is made, as reasonably estimated by the Corporation. In the event that a Member does not make timely payment of all or any portion of a Clawback Payment to the Corporation on or before the Clawback Payment Date, interest (calculated at the Default Rate) in respect of such Clawback Payment shall accrue from the Clawback Payment Date until the date on which such Member makes such Clawback Payment to the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV. TERMINATION; CHANGE OF CONTROL; BREACH OF AGREEMENT

Section 4.1 Early Termination of Agreement; Change of Control; Breach of Agreement.

(a) <u>Corporation's Early Termination Right</u>. With the written approval of a majority of the Independent Directors, the Corporation may completely terminate this Agreement, as and to the extent provided herein, with respect to all amounts payable to the Members pursuant to

this Agreement by paying to the Members the Early Termination Payment; *provided* that Early Termination Payments may be made pursuant to this Section 4.1(a) only if made to all Members that are entitled to such a payment simultaneously, and *provided further*, that the Corporation may withdraw any notice to execute its termination rights under this Section 4.1(a) prior to the time at which any Early Termination Payment has been paid. Upon the Corporation's payment of the Early Termination Payment, the Corporation shall not have any further payment obligations under this Agreement, other than with respect to any: (i) prior Tax Benefit Payments that are due and payable under this Agreement but that still remain unpaid as of the date of the Early Termination Notice; and (ii) current Tax Benefit Payment due for the Taxable Year ending on or including the date of the Early Termination Notice (except to the extent that the amount described in clause (ii) is included in the calculation of the Early Termination Payment). If an Exchange subsequently occurs with respect to Units for which the Corporation has exercised its termination rights under this Section 4.1(a), the Corporation shall have no obligations under this Agreement with respect to such Exchange.

(b) Change of Control.

- (i) Upon a Change of Control for which the Corporation has not elected to make an Early Termination Payment pursuant to Section 4.1(a), and subject to Section 4.1(b)(ii), all Tax Benefit Payments, whether payable with respect to Units that were Exchanged or Specified Section 734(b) Basis Adjustment Transactions that occurred prior to the date of such Change of Control or on or after the date of such Change of Control, shall be calculated (A) by using Valuation Assumptions (4), (5) and (6), substituting in each case the terms "the closing date of a Change of Control" for an "Early Termination Effective Date" and (B) assuming that in each Taxable Year ending on or after the closing date of such Change of Control, the Corporation's taxable income (prior to the application of deductions arising from the Basis Adjustments, Imputed Interest, and Actual Interest Amounts) will equal the greater of (x) the actual taxable income (prior to the application of deductions arising from the Basis Adjustments, Imputed Interest, and Actual Interest Amounts) for such Taxable Year and (y) the product of (i) four and (ii) the highest taxable income (calculated without taking into account extraordinary items of income or deduction and prior to the application of deductions arising from the Basis Adjustments, Imputed Interest, and Actual Interest Amounts) in any of the four fiscal quarters ended prior to the closing date of such Change of Control. For all purposes of this Agreement, the amount determined pursuant to clause (y) of the preceding sentence shall (A) be calculated as though the Corporation owned the same percentage of the LLC as it owned in the Taxable Year in respect of which the Tax Benefit Payment is being made and (B) be increased by 10% (compounded annually) for each Taxable Year beginning with the second Taxable Year following the Change of Control.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that a Change of Control occurs prior to January 1, 2022, all Tax Benefit Payments payable pursuant to this Section 4.1(b) shall be calculated using Valuation Assumptions (1), (4), (5) and (6), substituting in each case the terms "the closing date of a Change of Control" for an "Early Termination Effective Date."

(c) Acceleration Upon Breach of Agreement. In the event that the Corporation materially breaches any of its material obligations under this Agreement, whether as a result of failure to make any payment when due, failure to honor any other material obligation required hereunder, or by operation of law as a result of the rejection of this Agreement in a case commenced under the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise, then all obligations hereunder shall be accelerated and become immediately due and payable upon notice of acceleration from a Member (provided that in the case of any proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code or other insolvency statute, such acceleration shall be automatic without any such notice), and such obligations shall be calculated as if an Early Termination Notice had been delivered on the date of such notice of acceleration (or, in the case of any proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code or other insolvency statute, on the date of such breach) and shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the Early Termination Payment calculated as if an Early Termination Notice had been delivered on the date of such acceleration; (ii) any prior Tax Benefit Payments that are due and payable under this Agreement but that still remain unpaid as of the date of such acceleration; and (iii) any current Tax Benefit Payment due for the Taxable Year ending with or including the date of such acceleration. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the Corporation breaches this Agreement and such breach is not a material breach of a material obligation, a Member shall still be entitled to enforce all of its rights otherwise available under this Agreement, excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, seeking an acceleration of amounts payable under this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 4.1(c), and subject to the following sentence, the Parties agree that the failure to make any payment due pursuant to this Agreement within six (6) months of the relevant Final Payment Date shall be deemed to be a material breach of a material obligation under this Agreement for all purposes of this Agreement, and that it will not be considered to be a material breach of a material obligation under this Agreement to make a payment due pursuant to this Agreement within six (6) months of the relevant Final Payment Date. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, it shall not be a material breach of a material obligation of this Agreement if the Corporation fails to make any Tax Benefit Payment within six (6) months of the relevant Final Payment Date to the extent that the Corporation has insufficient funds, or cannot take commercially reasonable actions to obtain sufficient funds, to make such payment; provided that the interest provisions of Section 5.2 shall apply to such late payment (unless the Corporation does not have sufficient funds to make such payment as a result of limitations imposed by any Senior Obligations, in which case Section 5.2 shall apply, but the Default Rate shall be replaced by the Agreed Rate).

Section 4.2 <u>Early Termination Notice</u>. If the Corporation chooses to exercise its right of early termination under Section 4.1 above, the Corporation shall deliver to the Members a notice of the Corporation's decision to exercise such right (an "<u>Early Termination Notice</u>") and a schedule (the "<u>Early Termination Schedule</u>") showing in reasonable detail the calculation of the Early Termination Payment. The Corporation shall also (x) deliver supporting schedules and work papers, as determined by the Corporation or as reasonably requested by the Members, that provide a reasonable level of detail regarding the data and calculations that were relevant for purposes of preparing the Early Termination Schedule; (y) deliver an Advisory Firm Letter supporting such Early Termination Schedule; and (z) allow the Members and their advisors to have reasonable access to the appropriate representatives, as determined by the Corporation or as reasonably requested by a Member, at the Corporation and the Advisory Firm in connection with a review of such Early Termination Schedule. The Early Termination Schedule shall become

final and binding on each Party thirty (30) calendar days from the first date on which the Members received such Early Termination Schedule unless:

- (i) a Member within thirty (30) calendar days after receiving the Early Termination Schedule, provides the Corporation with (A) notice of a material objection to such Early Termination Schedule made in good faith and setting forth in reasonable detail the Members' material objection (a "<u>Termination Objection Notice</u>") and (B) a letter from an Advisory Firm (that is different from the Advisory Firm that was used by the Corporation to prepare the Early Termination Schedule) in support of such Termination Objection Notice; or
- (ii) each of the Members provides a written waiver of such right of a Termination Objection Notice within the period described in clause (i) above, in which case such Early Termination Schedule becomes binding on the date the waiver from all Members is received by the Corporation.

In the event that a Member timely delivers a Termination Objection Notice pursuant to clause (i) above, and if the Parties, for any reason, are unable to successfully resolve the issues raised in the Termination Objection Notice within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt by the Corporation of the Termination Objection Notice, the Corporation and such Member shall employ the Reconciliation Procedures. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the expense of preparing and obtaining the letter from an Advisory Firm referenced in clause (i) above shall be borne solely by such Member, and the Corporation shall have no liability with respect to such letter or any of the expenses associated with its preparation and delivery. The date on which the Early Termination Schedule becomes final in accordance with this Section 4.2 shall be the "Early Termination Reference Date."

Section 4.3 Payment Upon Early Termination.

- (a) <u>Timing of Payment</u>. Within three (3) Business Days after the Early Termination Reference Date, the Corporation shall pay to each Member an amount equal to the Early Termination Payment for such Member. Such Early Termination Payment shall be made by the Corporation by wire transfer of immediately available funds to a bank account or accounts designated by the Members or as otherwise agreed by the Corporation and the Members.
- (b) <u>Amount of Payment</u>. The "<u>Early Termination Payment</u>" payable to a Member pursuant to Section 4.3(a) shall equal the present value, discounted at the Early Termination Rate as determined as of the Early Termination Reference Date, of all Tax Benefit Payments that would be required to be paid by the Corporation to such Member, whether payable with respect to Units that were Exchanged prior to the Early Termination Effective Date or on or after the Early Termination Effective Date, beginning from the Early Termination Effective Date and using the Valuation Assumptions.

ARTICLE V. SUBORDINATION AND LATE PAYMENTS

Section 5.1 <u>Subordination</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, any Tax Benefit Payment or Early Termination Payment required to be made by the Corporation to the Members under this Agreement shall rank subordinate and junior in right of payment to any principal, interest, or other amounts due and payable in respect of any obligations owed in respect of secured indebtedness for borrowed money of the Corporation and its Subsidiaries ("<u>Senior Obligations</u>") and shall rank *pari passu* in right of payment with all current or future unsecured obligations of the Corporation that are not Senior Obligations. To the extent that any payment under this Agreement is not permitted to be made at the time payment is due as a result of this Section 5.1 and the terms of the agreements governing Senior Obligations, such payment obligation nevertheless shall accrue for the benefit of the Members and the Corporation shall make such payments at the first opportunity that such payments are permitted to be made in accordance with the terms of the Senior Obligations.

Section 5.2 <u>Late Payments by the Corporation</u>. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the amount of all or any portion of any Tax Benefit Payment or Early Termination Payment not made to the Members when due under the terms of this Agreement, whether as a result of Section 5.1 and the terms of the Senior Obligations or otherwise, shall be payable together with any interest thereon, computed at the Default Rate and commencing from the Final Payment Date on which such Tax Benefit Payment or Early Termination Payment was first due and payable to the date of actual payment.

ARTICLE VI. TAX MATTERS; CONSISTENCY; COOPERATION

Section 6.1 Participation in the Corporation's and the LLC's Tax Matters. Except as otherwise provided herein, and except as provided in Article IX of the LLC Agreement, the Corporation shall have full responsibility for, and sole discretion over, all tax matters concerning the Corporation and the LLC, including without limitation the preparation, filing or amending of any Tax Return and defending, contesting or settling any issue pertaining to taxes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation shall notify the Members of, and keep them reasonably informed with respect to, the portion of any tax audit of the Corporation or the LLC, or any of the LLC's Subsidiaries, the outcome of which is reasonably expected to materially affect the Tax Benefit Payments payable to such Members under this Agreement, and the Members shall have the right to participate in and to monitor at their own expense (but, for the avoidance of doubt, not to control) any such portion of any such Tax audit. In addition to the foregoing, the Corporation shall not take any action outside the ordinary course of business (other than exercising its early termination right under Section 4.1(a)) the purpose of which is to minimize Tax Benefit Payments determined in accordance with this Agreement; *provided*, that for the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this sentence shall be construed to in any way limit or otherwise prohibit the Corporation from exercising its rights pursuant to this Agreement (including, for the avoidance of doubt, this Section 6.1).

Section 6.2 <u>Consistency</u>. Except as otherwise required by law, all calculations and determinations made hereunder, including, without limitation, any Basis Adjustments, the

Schedules and the determination of any Realized Tax Benefits or Realized Tax Detriments, shall be made in accordance with the elections, methodologies or positions taken by the Corporation and the LLC on their respective Tax Returns. Each Member shall prepare its Tax Returns in a manner that is consistent with the terms of this Agreement, and any related calculations or determinations that are made hereunder, including, without limitation, the terms of Section 2.1 of this Agreement and the Schedules provided to the Members under this Agreement. In the event that an Advisory Firm is replaced with another Advisory Firm, such replacement Advisory Firm shall perform its services under this Agreement using procedures and methodologies consistent with the previous Advisory Firm, unless otherwise required by law or unless the Corporation and all of the Members agree to the use of other procedures and methodologies.

Section 6.3 Cooperation.

- (a) Each Member shall (i) furnish to the Corporation in a timely manner such information, documents and other materials as the Corporation may reasonably request for purposes of making any determination or computation necessary or appropriate under this Agreement, preparing any Tax Return or contesting or defending any audit, examination or controversy with any Taxing Authority, (ii) make itself available to the Corporation and its representatives to provide explanations of documents and materials and such other information as the Corporation or its representatives may reasonably request in connection with any of the matters described in clause (i) above, and (iii) reasonably cooperate in connection with any such matter.
- (b) The Corporation shall reimburse the Members for any reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred pursuant to Section 6.3(a).

ARTICLE VII. MISCELLANEOUS

Section 7.1 Notices. All notices, requests, consents and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be given (and shall be deemed to have been duly given upon receipt) by delivery in person, by courier service, by fax, by electronic mail (delivery receipt requested) or by certified or registered mail (postage prepaid, return receipt requested) to the respective Parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a Party as shall be as specified in a notice given in accordance with this Section 7.1). All notices hereunder shall be delivered as set forth below, or pursuant to such other instructions as may be designated in writing by the Party to receive such notice:

If to the Corporation:

Bioventus Inc. 4721 Emperor Boulevard Suite 100 Durham, NC 27703 Attn: General Counsel

E-mail: tony.dadamio@bioventusglobal.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice to the Corporation) to:

Latham & Watkins LLP 555 11th Street N.W. Suite 1000 Washington, D.C. 20004 Attn: Andrea Ramezan-Jackson

E-mail: andrea.ramezan@lw.com

If to S&N:

Smith & Nephew, Inc. 150 Minuteman Road Andover, MA 01810 Attn: Head of Tax

E-mail: neil.eardley@smith-nephew.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice to S&N) to:

Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP 450 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10017 Attn: Michael Mollerus

E-mail: michael.mollerus@davispolk.com

Any Party may change its address, fax number or e-mail address by giving each of the other Parties written notice thereof in the manner set forth above.

Section 7.2 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the Parties and delivered to the other Parties, it being understood that all Parties need not sign the same counterpart. Delivery of an executed signature page to this Agreement by facsimile transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed counterpart of this Agreement.

Section 7.3 Entire Agreement; No Third Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral, among the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of each Party hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other Person any right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

- Section 7.4 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of Delaware, without regard to the conflicts of laws principles thereof that would mandate the application of the laws of another jurisdiction.
- Section 7.5 Severability. If any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any Party. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the Parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.

Section 7.6 <u>Assignments; Amendments; Successors; No Waiver.</u>

- (a) <u>Assignment</u>. No Member may assign, sell, pledge, or otherwise alienate or transfer any interest in this Agreement, including the right to receive any Tax Benefit Payments under this Agreement, to any Person without the prior written consent of the Corporation, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed, and without such Person executing and delivering a Joinder agreeing to succeed to the applicable portion of such Member's interest in this Agreement and to become a Party for all purposes of this Agreement (the "<u>Joinder Requirement</u>"); *provided*, *however*, that to the extent any Member sells, exchanges, distributes, or otherwise transfers Units to any Person (other than the Corporation or the LLC) in accordance with the terms of the LLC Agreement, the Members shall have the option to assign to the transferee of such Units its rights under this Agreement with respect to such transferred Units, *provided* that such transferee has satisfied the Joinder Requirement. For the avoidance of doubt, if a Member transfers Units in accordance with the terms of the LLC Agreement but does not assign to the transferee of such Units its rights under this Agreement with respect to such transferred Units, such Member shall continue to be entitled to receive the Tax Benefit Payments arising in respect of a subsequent Exchange of such Units. The Corporation may not assign any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement to any Person without the prior written consent of each of the Members (and any purported assignment without such consent shall be null and void).
- (b) <u>Amendments</u>. No provision of this Agreement may be amended unless such amendment is approved in writing by each of the Parties; *provided* that amendment of the definition of Change of Control will also require the written approval of a majority of the Independent Directors. No provision of this Agreement may be waived unless such waiver is in writing and signed by the Party against whom the waiver is to be effective.
- (c) <u>Successors</u>. All of the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by, the Parties hereto and their respective successors, assigns, heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives. The Corporation shall require and cause any direct or indirect successor (whether by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise) to all or substantially all of the business or assets of the Corporation, by written agreement, expressly to assume and agree to perform this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent that the Corporation would be required to perform if no such succession had taken place.

- (d) <u>Waiver</u>. No failure by any Party to insist upon the strict performance of any covenant, duty, agreement, or condition of this Agreement, or to exercise any right or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any such breach or any other covenant, duty, agreement, or condition.
- Section 7.7 <u>Titles and Subtitles</u>. The titles of the sections and subsections of this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and are not to be considered in construing this Agreement.

Section 7.8 Resolution of Disputes.

- (a) Except for Reconciliation Disputes subject to Section 7.9, any and all disputes which cannot be settled amicably, including any ancillary claims of any Party, arising out of, relating to or in connection with the validity, negotiation, execution, interpretation, performance or non-performance of this Agreement (including the validity, scope and enforceability of this arbitration provision) (each a "Dispute") shall be finally resolved by arbitration in accordance with the International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution Rules for Non-Administered Arbitration by a panel of three arbitrators, of which the Corporation shall designate one arbitrator and the Members party to such Dispute shall designate one arbitrator in accordance with the "screened" appointment procedure provided in Resolution Rule 5.4. The arbitration shall be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. §§ 1 et seq., and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrators may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof. The place of the arbitration shall be New York, New York.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), any Party may bring an action or special proceeding in any court of competent jurisdiction for the purpose of compelling another Party to arbitrate, seeking temporary or preliminary relief in aid of an arbitration hereunder, and/or enforcing an arbitration award and, for the purposes of this paragraph (b), each Party (i) expressly consents to the application of paragraph (c) of this Section 7.8 to any such action or proceeding, and (ii) agrees that proof shall not be required that monetary damages for breach of the provisions of this Agreement would be difficult to calculate and that remedies at law would be inadequate. For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 7.8 shall not apply to Reconciliation Disputes to be settled in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 7.9.
- (c) Each Party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Chancery Court of the State of Delaware or, if such Court declines jurisdiction, the courts of the State of Delaware sitting in Wilmington, Delaware, and of the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware sitting in Wilmington, Delaware, and any appellate court from any thereof, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and each of the Parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such Delaware State court or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, in such U.S. District Court. Each Party agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

- (d) Each Party irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement in any court referred to in Section 7.8(c). Each Party irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such suit, action or proceeding in any such court.
- (e) Each Party irrevocably consents to service of process by means of notice in the manner provided for in Section 7.1. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the right of any Party to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.
- (f) WAIVER OF RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY).
- (g) Any dispute as to whether a dispute is a Reconciliation Dispute within the meaning of Section 7.9, or a Dispute within the meaning of this Section 7.8, shall be decided and resolved as a Dispute subject to the procedures set forth in this Section 7.8.
- Section 7.9 Reconciliation. In the event that the Corporation and any Member are unable to resolve a disagreement with respect to a Schedule (other than an Early Termination Schedule) prepared in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.4, or with respect to an Early Termination Schedule prepared in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 4.2, within the relevant time period designated in this Agreement (a "Reconciliation Dispute"), the Reconciliation Dispute shall be submitted for determination to a nationally recognized expert (the "Expert") in the particular area of disagreement mutually acceptable to both Parties. The Expert shall be a partner or principal in a nationally recognized accounting firm, and unless the Corporation and such Member agree otherwise, the Expert shall not, and the firm that employs the Expert shall not, have any material relationship with the Corporation or such Member or other actual or potential conflict of interest. If the Parties are unable to agree on an Expert within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt by the respondent(s) of written notice of a Reconciliation Dispute, the selection of an Expert shall be treated as a Dispute subject to Section 7.8 and an arbitration panel shall pick an Expert from a nationally recognized accounting firm that does not have any material relationship with the Corporation or such Member or other actual or potential conflict of interest. The Expert shall resolve any matter relating to the Basis Schedule or an amendment thereto or the Early Termination Schedule or an amendment thereto within thirty (30) calendar days and shall resolve any matter relating to a Tax Benefit Schedule or an amendment thereto within fifteen (15) calendar days or as soon thereafter as is reasonably practicable, in each case after the matter has been submitted to the Expert for resolution. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, if the matter is not resolved before any payment that is the subject of a disagreement would be due (in the absence of su

date prescribed by this Agreement and such Tax Return may be filed as prepared by the Corporation, subject to adjustment or amendment upon resolution. The costs and expenses relating to the engagement of such Expert or amending any Tax Return shall be borne by the Corporation except as provided in the next sentence. The Corporation and the Members shall bear their own costs and expenses of such proceeding, unless (i) the Expert adopts the Member's position, in which case the Corporation shall reimburse the Member for any reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses in such proceeding, or (ii) the Expert adopts the Corporation's position, in which case the Member shall reimburse the Corporation for any reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses in such proceeding. The Expert shall finally determine any Reconciliation Dispute and the determinations of the Expert pursuant to this Section 7.9 shall be binding on the Corporation and the Members and may be entered and enforced in any court having competent jurisdiction.

Section 7.10 <u>Withholding</u>. The Corporation shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from any payment that is payable to any Member pursuant to this Agreement such amounts as the Corporation is required to deduct and withhold with respect to the making of such payment under the Code or any provision of U.S. state, local or foreign tax law. To the extent that amounts are so withheld and paid over to the appropriate Taxing Authority by the Corporation, such withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as having been paid by the Corporation to the relevant Member. Each Member shall promptly provide the Corporation with any applicable tax forms and certifications reasonably requested by the Corporation in connection with determining whether any such deductions and withholdings are required under the Code or any provision of U.S. state, local or foreign tax law.

Section 7.11 Admission of the Corporation into a Consolidated Group; Transfers of Corporate Assets.

- (a) Subject to Section 4.1(b), if the Corporation is or becomes a member of an affiliated or consolidated group of corporations that files a consolidated income Tax Return pursuant to Section 1501 or other applicable Sections of the Code governing affiliated or consolidated groups, or any corresponding provisions of U.S. state or local law, then: (i) the provisions of this Agreement shall be applied with respect to the group as a whole; and (ii) Tax Benefit Payments, Early Termination Payments, and other applicable items hereunder shall be computed with reference to the consolidated taxable income of the group as a whole. For the avoidance of doubt, and with respect to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence, if the Corporation is not a member of an affiliated or consolidated group of corporations that files a consolidated income Tax Return prior to a Change of Control, but becomes a member of such a group immediately following such Change of Control, then the actual taxable income of the Corporation for purposes of clause (ii)(A) of the first sentence of Section 4.1(b) shall be calculated based on the taxable income of the Corporation on a stand-alone basis as determined prior to the closing date of such Change of Control.
- (b) If any entity that is obligated to make a Tax Benefit Payment or Early Termination Payment hereunder transfers one or more assets to a corporation (or a Person classified as a corporation for U.S. income tax purposes) with which such entity does not file a

consolidated Tax Return pursuant to Section 1501 of the Code, such entity, for purposes of calculating the amount of any Tax Benefit Payment or Early Termination Payment due hereunder, shall be treated as having disposed of such asset in a fully taxable transaction on the date of such contribution. The consideration deemed to be received by such entity shall be equal to the fair market value of the contributed asset as determined by the Advisory Firm or a valuation expert selected by the Corporation. For purposes of this Section 7.11, a transfer of a partnership interest shall be treated as a transfer of the transferring partner's share of each of the assets and liabilities of that partnership. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, if the Corporation or any other entity that is obligated to make a Tax Benefit Payment or Early Termination Payment hereunder transfers its assets pursuant to a transaction that qualifies as a "reorganization" (within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code) in which such entity does not survive or pursuant to any other transaction to which Section 381(a) of the Code applies, the transfer will not cause such entity to be treated as having transferred any assets to a corporation (or a Person classified as a corporation for U.S. income tax purposes) pursuant to this Section 7.11(b).

Section 7.12 <u>Confidentiality</u>. Each Member and its assignees acknowledges and agrees that the information of the Corporation is confidential and, except in the course of performing any duties as necessary for the Corporation and its Affiliates, as required by law or legal process or to enforce the terms of this Agreement, such Person shall keep and retain in the strictest confidence and not disclose to any Person any confidential matters, acquired pursuant to this Agreement, of the Corporation and its Affiliates and successors, learned by any Member heretofore or hereafter. This Section 7.12 shall not apply to (i) any information that has been made publicly available by the Corporation or any of its Affiliates, becomes public knowledge (except as a result of an act of any Member in violation of this Agreement) or is generally known to the business community, (ii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member or prosecute or defend claims arising under or relating to this Agreement, and (iii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member to prosecute or defend claims arising under or relating to this Agreement, and (iii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member to prosecute or defend claims arising under or relating to this Agreement, and (iii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member to prosecute or defend claims arising under or relating to this Agreement, and (iii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member to prosecute or defend claims arising under or relating to this Agreement, and (iii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member to prosecute or defend claims arising under or relating to this Agreement, and (iii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member to prosecute or defend claims arising under or relating to this Agreement, and (iii) the disclosure of information to the extent necessary for a Member or an assignee commits a breach, or th

Section 7.13 Change in Law. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if, in connection with an actual or proposed change in law, a Member reasonably believes that the existence of this Agreement could cause income (other than income arising from receipt of a payment under this Agreement) recognized by such Member (or direct or indirect equity holders in such Member) in connection with any Exchange to be treated as ordinary income rather than capital gain (or otherwise taxed at ordinary income rates) for U.S. federal income tax purposes or would have other material adverse tax consequences to such Member or any direct or indirect

owner of such Member, then at the written election of such Member in its sole discretion (in an instrument signed by such Member and delivered to the Corporation) and to the extent specified therein by such Member, this Agreement shall cease to have further effect and shall not apply to an Exchange occurring after a date specified by such Member, or may be amended by in a manner reasonably determined by such Member, *provided* that such amendment shall not result in an increase in any payments owed by the Corporation under this Agreement at any time as compared to the amounts and times of payments that would have been due in the absence of such amendment.

Section 7.14 Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the interest paid or agreed to be paid hereunder with respect to amounts due to any Member hereunder shall not exceed the maximum rate of non-usurious interest permitted by applicable Law (the "Maximum Rate"). If any Member shall receive interest in an amount that exceeds the Maximum Rate, the excess interest shall be applied to the Tax Benefit Payment, Estimated Tax Benefit Payment or Early Termination Payment, as applicable (but in each case exclusive of any component thereof comprising interest) or, if it exceeds such unpaid non-interest amount, refunded to the Corporation. In determining whether the interest contracted for, charged, or received by any Member exceeds the Maximum Rate, such Member may, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (a) characterize any payment that is not principal as an expense, fee, or premium rather than interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and the effects thereof, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate, and spread in equal or unequal parts the total amount of interest throughout the contemplated term of the payment obligations owed by the Corporation to such Member hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is the intention of the Lenders and the Borrower to conform strictly to any applicable usury laws.

Section 7.15 Independent Nature of Rights and Obligations. The rights and obligations of the each Member hereunder are several and not joint with the rights and obligations of any other Person. A Member shall not be responsible in any way for the performance of the obligations of any other Person hereunder, nor shall a Member have the right to enforce the rights or obligations of any other Person hereunder (other than the Corporation). The obligations of a Member or an LLC Option Holder hereunder are solely for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable solely by, the Corporation. Nothing contained herein or in any other agreement or document delivered at any closing, and no action taken by any Member pursuant hereto or thereto, shall be deemed to constitute the Members acting as a partnership, an association, a joint venture or any other kind of entity, or create a presumption that the Members are in any way acting in concert or as a group with respect to such rights or obligations or the transactions contemplated hereby, and the Corporation acknowledges that the Members are not acting in concert or as a group and will not assert any such claim with respect to such rights or obligations or the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 7.16 <u>LLC Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall be treated as part of the LLC Agreement as described in Section 761(c) of the Code and Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(h) and 1.761-1(c) of the Treasury Regulations.

[Signature Page Follows This Page]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed or caused to be executed on their behalf this Agreement as of the date first written above.

CORPORATION:

BIOVENTUS INC.

By: /s/ Kenneth Reali
Name: Kenneth Reali

Title: Chief Executive Officer

LLC:

BIOVENTUS LLC

By: /s/ Kenneth Reali
Name: Kenneth Reali

Title: Chief Executive Officer

MEMBERS:

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.

/s/ Catheryn A. O'Rourke

Name: Catheryn A. O'Rourke

Title: Director

[Signature Page to Tax Receivable Agreement]

FORM OF JOINDER AGREEMENT

This JOINDER AGREEMENT, dated as of , 20 (this "Joinder"), is delivered pursuant to that certain Tax Receivable Agreement, dated as of February 16, 2021 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Tax Receivable Agreement</u>") by and among Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>LLC</u>"), and each of the Members from time to time party thereto. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings set forth in the Tax Receivable Agreement.

- 1. <u>Joinder to the Tax Receivable Agreement</u>. The undersigned hereby represents and warrants to the Corporation that, as of the date hereof, the undersigned is a member of the LLC, and that it acquired [] Units in the LLC upon assignment from a Member.
- 2. <u>Joinder to the Tax Receivable Agreement</u>. Upon the execution of this Joinder by the undersigned and delivery hereof to the Corporation, the undersigned hereby is and hereafter will be a Member under the Tax Receivable Agreement and a Party thereto, with all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of a Member thereunder. The undersigned hereby agrees that it shall comply with and be fully bound by the terms of the Tax Receivable Agreement as if it had been a signatory thereto as of the date thereof.
- 3. <u>Incorporation by Reference</u>. All terms and conditions of the Tax Receivable Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference in this Joinder as if set forth herein in full.
- 4. Address. All notices under the Tax Receivable Agreement to the undersigned shall be direct to:

[Name]
[Address]
[City, State, Zip Code]
Attn:
Facsimile:
E-mail:

[Signature Page Follows This Page]

	[NAME OF NEW PARTY]	
	By: Name: Title:	
Acknowledged and agreed as of the date first set forth above:		
BIOVENTUS INC.		
By:		

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly executed and delivered this Joinder as of the day and year first above written.

[Signature Page to Joinder Agreement to Tax Receivable Agreement]

Name: Title:

REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

This REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT (this "*Agreement*") is made as of February 16, 2021, by and among Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Corporation*"), and each Person identified on the Schedule of Investors attached hereto as of the date hereof (such Persons, collectively, the "*Original LLC Owners*").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Corporation is contemplating an offer and sale of its shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "*Class A Common Stock*" and such shares, the "*Shares*"), to the public in an underwritten initial public offering (the "*IPO*");

WHEREAS, the Corporation desires to use a portion of the net proceeds from the IPO to purchase Common Units (as defined below) of Bioventus, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Company"), and the Company desires to issue its Common Units to the Corporation in exchange for such portion of the net proceeds from the IPO;

WHEREAS, immediately prior to the consummation of the issuances of Common Units by the Company to the Corporation, the Original LLC Owners are the sole members of Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*Company*");

WHEREAS, immediately prior to or simultaneous with the purchase by the Corporation of the Common Units, the Corporation, the Company and the Original LLC Owners will enter into that certain Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Company (such agreement, as it may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified form time to time, the "*LLC Agreement*");

WHEREAS, in connection with the closing of the IPO, (i) the Corporation will become the sole managing member of the Company, (ii) under the LLC Agreement, the existing membership interests of the Original LLC Owners in the Company will be exchanged for the Common Units of the Company (the "Common Units"), (iii) each Person identified on the Schedule of Investors attached hereto as a "Former LLC Owner" (such Persons, collectively, the "Former LLC Owners") will exchange their indirect ownership interest for shares of Class A Common Stock, (iv) each Person identified on the Schedule of Investors attached hereto as a "Continuing LLC Owner" (such Persons, collectively, the "Continuing LLC Owners") will become a non-managing member of the Company holding Common Units in the Company, and (v) in consideration of the Corporation acquiring the Common Units and becoming the managing member of the Company, among other things, the Company has provided the Continuing LLC Owners with a redemption right pursuant to which the Continuing LLC Owners may exchange each of their Common Units (together with a share of the Corporation's Class B Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Class B Common Stock")) for a newly-issued share of Class A Common Stock; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the IPO and the transactions described above, the Corporation has agreed to grant to the Holders (as defined below) certain rights with respect to the registration of the Registrable Securities (as defined below) on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties to this Agreement hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings specified in this <u>Section 1</u>:

"Acquired Common" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.

"Additional Investor" has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 9</u>, and shall be deemed to include each such Person's Affiliates, immediate family members, heirs, successors and assigns who may succeed to such Person as a Holder hereunder.

"Affiliate" of any Person means any other Person controlled by, controlling or under common control with such Person; provided that the Corporation and its Subsidiaries shall not be deemed to be Affiliates of any Holder. As used in this definition, "control" (including, with its correlative meanings, "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with") shall mean possession, directly or indirectly, of power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies (whether through ownership of securities, by contract or otherwise).

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Automatic Shelf Registration Statement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(a).

"Business Day" means any day of the year on which national banking institutions in New York are open to the public for conducting business and are not required or authorized to close.

"Capital Stock" means (i) with respect to any Person that is a corporation, any and all shares, interests or equivalents in capital stock of such corporation (whether voting or nonvoting and whether common or preferred), (ii) with respect to any Person that is not a corporation, individual or governmental entity, any and all partnership, membership, limited liability company or other equity interests of such Person that confer on the holder thereof the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or the distribution of assets of the issuing Person, and (iii) any and all warrants, rights (including conversion and exchange rights) and options to purchase any security described in the clause (i) or (ii) above.

"Class A Common Stock" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Class B Common Stock" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Common Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Company" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Continuing LLC Owners" has the meaning set forth in the recitals, and shall be deemed to include their respective Affiliates, immediate family members, heirs, successors and assigns who may succeed to such Person as a Holder hereunder.

- "Controlling Holder" means each of (i) the Essex Stockholders and (ii) the S&N Stockholders (in each case, as identified on the Schedule of Investors), so long as such Holders continue to hold Registrable Securities.
 - "Corporation" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
 - "Demand Registrations" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(a).
 - "End of Suspension Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(i)(iii).
- "Exchange Act" means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time, or any successor federal law then in force, together with all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
 - "FINRA" means the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.
- "Former LLC Owners" has the meaning set forth in the recitals, and shall be deemed to include their respective Affiliates, immediate family members, heirs, successors and assigns who may succeed to such Person as a Holder hereunder.
 - "Free Writing Prospectus" means a free-writing prospectus, as defined in Rule 405.
 - "Holdback Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.
- "Holder" means any Person who is the registered holder of Registrable Securities and deemed to be a "Holder" pursuant to the definition of Registrable Securities below.
 - "Holder Indemnified Parties" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(a).
 - "IPO" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "Joinder" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.
 - "LLC Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "Long-Form Registrations" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(a).
 - "MNPI" means material non-public information within the meaning of Regulation FD promulgated under the Exchange Act.
- "Original LLC Owners" has the meaning set forth in the preamble, and shall be deemed to include their respective Affiliates, immediate family members, heirs, successors and assigns who may succeed to such Person as a Holder hereunder.
- "*Person*" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, a joint stock company, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization and a governmental entity or any department, agency or political subdivision thereof.
 - "Piggyback Registrations" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(a).

"*Public Offering*" means any sale or distribution to the public of Capital Stock of the Corporation pursuant to an offering registered under the Securities Act, whether by the Corporation, by Holders and/or by any other holders of the Corporation's Capital Stock.

"Registrable Securities" means (i) any Class A Common Stock (A) issued by the Corporation in connection with the IPO in exchange for the Common Units of the Former LLC Owners or (B) issued by the Corporation in a Share Settlement in connection with (x) the redemption by the Company of Common Units owned by any Continuing LLC Owner or (y) at the election of the Corporation, in a direct exchange for Common Units owned by any Continuing LLC Owner, in each case in accordance with the terms of the LLC Agreement, (ii) any common Capital Stock of the Corporation or of any Subsidiary of the Corporation issued or issuable with respect to the securities referred to in clause (i) above by way of dividend, distribution, split or combination of securities, or any recapitalization, merger, consolidation or other reorganization, and (iii) any other Shares owned by Persons that are the registered holders of securities described in clauses (i) or (ii) above.

As to any particular Registrable Securities owned by any Person, such securities shall cease to be Registrable Securities on the date (a) such securities have been sold or distributed pursuant to a Public Offering, (b) such securities have been sold in compliance with Rule 144 following the consummation of the IPO, (c) such securities have been repurchased by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation or (d) such securities may be disposed of pursuant to Rule 144 (or any successor rule promulgated under the Securities Act) in a single transaction without volume limitation or other restrictions on transfer thereunder.

For purposes of this Agreement, a Person shall be deemed to be a Holder, and the Registrable Securities shall be deemed to be in existence, whenever such Person has the right to acquire, directly or indirectly, such Registrable Securities (upon conversion or exercise in connection with a transfer of securities or otherwise, but disregarding any restrictions or limitations upon the exercise of such right), whether or not such acquisition has actually been effected, and such Person shall be entitled to exercise the rights of a holder of Registrable Securities hereunder; *provided* a holder of Registrable Securities may only request that Registrable Securities in the form of Capital Stock of the Corporation that is registered or to be registered as a class under Section 12 of the Exchange Act be registered pursuant to this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, while Common Units and/or shares of Class B Common Stock may constitute Registrable Securities, under no circumstances shall the Corporation be obligated to register Common Units or shares of Class B Common Stock. Notwithstanding the foregoing, with the consent of the Corporation and the Controlling Holders, any Registrable Securities held by any Person that may be sold under Rule 144(b)(1)(i) without limitation under any other of the requirements of Rule 144 shall not be deemed to be Registrable Securities upon notice from the Corporation to such Person and the Corporation shall, at such Person's request, remove the legend provided for in Section 12.

"Registration Expenses" has the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).

"Rule 144," "Rule 158," "Rule 405" and "Rule 415" mean, in each case, such rule promulgated under the Securities Act (or any successor provision) by the Securities and Exchange Commission, as the same shall be amended from time to time, or any successor rule then in force.

"Schedule of Investors" means the schedule attached to this Agreement entitled "Schedule of Investors", which shall reflect each Holder from time to time party to this Agreement.

"Securities Act" means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended from time to time, or any successor federal law then in force, together with all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Share Settlement" means "Share Settlement" as defined in the LLC Agreement.

"Shares" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Shelf Offering" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(g)(ii).

"Shelf Offering Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(g)(ii).

"Shelf Offering Request" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(g)(ii).

"Shelf Registrable Securities" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(g)(ii).

"Shelf Registration" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(a).

"Shelf Registration Statement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(g)(i).

"Short-Form Registrations" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(a).

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to the Corporation, any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other business entity of which (i) if a corporation, a majority of the total voting power of Capital Stock of such Person entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation, or (ii) if a limited liability company, partnership, association or other business entity, either (x) a majority of the Capital Stock of such Person entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of managers, general partners or other oversight board vested with the authority to direct management of such Person is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation or (y) the Corporation or one of its Subsidiaries is the sole manager or general partner of such Person.

"Suspension Event" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(i)(ii).

"Suspension Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(i)(ii).

"Suspension Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(i)(i).

"Underwritten Takedown" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(g)(ii).

"Violation" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(a).

"WKSI" means a "well-known seasoned issuer" as defined under Rule 405.

Section 2. <u>Demand Registrations</u>.

- (a) <u>Requests for Registration</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each Controlling Holder may request registration under the Securities Act of all or any portion of its Registrable Securities on Form S-1 or any similar long-form registration ("*Long-Form Registrations*"), and each Controlling Holder may request registration under the Securities Act of all or any portion of its Registrable Securities on Form S-3 or any similar short-form registration ("*Short-Form Registrations*") if available. The Controlling Holder making a Demand Registration may request that the registration be made pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act (a "*Shelf Registration*") and, if the Corporation is a WKSI at the time any request for a Demand Registration is submitted to the Corporation, that such Shelf Registration be an automatic shelf registration statement (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) (an "*Automatic Shelf Registration Statement*"). All registrations requested pursuant to this <u>Section 2(a)</u> are referred to herein as "*Demand Registrations*."
- (b) <u>Long-Form Registrations</u>. Each Controlling Holder shall be entitled to request an unlimited number of Long-Form Registrations (and the Corporation shall pay all Registration Expenses relating to such Long-Form Registrations), regardless of whether any registration statement is filed or any such Demand Registration is consummated. All Long-Form Registrations shall be underwritten registrations unless otherwise approved by the applicable Controlling Holder.
- (c) <u>Short-Form Registrations</u>. In addition to the Long-Form Registrations described in <u>Section 2(b)</u>, each Controlling Holder shall be entitled to request an unlimited number of Short-Form Registrations (and the Corporation shall pay all Registration Expenses relating to such Short-Form Registrations), regardless of whether any registration statement is filed or any such Demand Registration is consummated. Demand Registrations shall be Short-Form Registrations whenever the Corporation is permitted to use any applicable short form and if the managing underwriters (if any) agree to the use of a Short-Form Registration. After the Corporation has become subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, the Corporation shall use its reasonable best efforts to make Short-Form Registrations available for the sale of Registrable Securities.
- (d) Notice of Demand Registration. Except to the extent that Section 2(g) applies, within 10 days after the receipt of a request for a Demand Registration (and at least 20 days prior to any filing of the registration statement relating to such Demand Registration), the Corporation shall give written notice of the Demand Registration to all other Holders (the "DR Notice") and, subject to the terms of Section 2(h), shall include in such Demand Registration (and in all related registrations and qualifications under state blue sky laws and in any related underwriting) all Registrable Securities with respect to which the Corporation has received written requests for inclusion therein within 10 days after the DR Notice given by the Corporation under this Section 2(d).

- (e) <u>Effecting of Registration</u>. Upon receipt of a request for a Demand Registration, the Corporation shall use its reasonable best efforts to, as soon as practicable and in any event within ninety (90) days of such receipt, in the case of any Long-Form Registration or within forty-five (45) days of such receipt, in the case of a Short-Form Registration, effect such registration (which shall, in the case of a secondary offering, be on Form S-3 if the Company is qualified for registration on Form S-3 at such time) (including, without limitation, the execution of an undertaking to file post-effective amendments, appropriate qualifications under applicable blue sky or other state securities laws and appropriate compliance with applicable regulations issued under the Securities Act) as may be so requested and as would permit or facilitate the sale and distribution of all of such Registrable Shares as are specified in such Demand Registration, together with all or such portion of the Registrable Securities provided for under Section 2(d) hereof.
- (f) <u>DR Notice Constitutes MNPI</u>. Each Holder agrees that (1) any such DR Notice constitutes MNPI and that it will not engage in any transaction in any securities of the Corporation until such DR Notice and the information contained therein ceases to constitute MNPI and (2) such Holder shall treat as confidential the receipt of the DR Notice and shall not disclose or use the information contained in such DR Notice without the prior written consent of the Corporation until such time as the information contained therein is or becomes available to the public generally, other than as a result of disclosure by the Holder in breach of the terms of this Agreement.

(g) Shelf Registrations.

(i) Shelf Registration Statement. At any time and from time to time when the Company is eligible to utilize a Shelf Registration, subject to the availability of required financial information, as promptly as practicable after the Corporation receives written notice of a request for a Shelf Registration, the Corporation shall file with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement under the Securities Act for the Shelf Registration (a "Shelf Registration Statement"). The Corporation shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause any Shelf Registration Statement to be declared effective under the Securities Act as soon as practicable after the initial filing of such Shelf Registration Statement, and once effective, the Corporation shall cause such Shelf Registration Statement to remain continuously effective for such time period as is specified in the request by the Holders, but for no time period longer than the period ending on the earliest of (A) the third anniversary of the initial effective date of such Shelf Registration Statement, (B) the date on which all Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement, and (C) the date as of which there are no longer any Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement in existence. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Corporation shall use its reasonable best efforts to prepare a Shelf Registration Statement with respect to all of the Registrable Securities owned by or issuable to the Original LLC Owners in accordance with the terms of the LLC Agreement (or such other number of Registrable Securities specified in writing by the Holder with respect to the Registrable Securities owned by or issuable to such Holder) to enable and cause such Shelf Registration Statement to be filed and maintained with the Securities and Exchange Commission as soon as practicable after the later to occur of (i)

the expiration of the Holdback Period and (ii) the Corporation becoming eligible to file a Shelf Registration Statement for a Short-Form Registration; provided that any of the Original LLC Owners may, with respect to itself, instruct the Corporation in writing not to include in such Shelf Registration Statement the Registrable Securities owned by or issuable to such Holder. In order for any of the Original LLC Owners to be named as a selling securityholder in such Shelf Registration Statement, the Corporation may require such Holder to deliver all information about such Holder that is required to be included in such Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with applicable law, including Item 507 of Regulation S-K promulgated under the Securities Act, as amended from time to time, or any similar successor rule thereto. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in $\underline{Section\ 2(g)(\underline{ii})}$, any Holder that is named as a selling securityholder in such Shelf Registration Statement may make a secondary resale under such Shelf Registration Statement without the consent of the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities or any other Holder if such resale does not require a supplement to the Shelf Registration Statement.

<u>Underwritten Takedowns</u>. In the event that a Shelf Registration Statement is effective Holders representing the Registrable Securities with a market value of at least \$50 million shall each have the right at any time or from time to time to elect to sell pursuant to an offering (including an underwritten offering (an "Underwritten Takedown")) Registrable Securities available for sale pursuant to such registration statement ("Shelf Registrable Securities"), so long as the Shelf Registration Statement remains in effect, and the Corporation shall pay all Registration Expenses in connection therewith; provided that each Controlling Holder shall have the right at any time and from time to time to elect to sell pursuant to an offering (including an Underwritten Takedown) pursuant to a Shelf Offering Request (as defined below) made by such Controlling Holder so long as the amount of Registrable Securities requested to be included in such Shelf Offering Request (including any Registrable Securities included pursuant to the third succeeding sentence) is reasonably expected to result in aggregate gross proceeds in excess of \$5 million. The applicable Holders shall make such election by delivering to the Corporation a written request (a "Shelf Offering Request") for such offering specifying the number of Shelf Registrable Securities that such Holders desire to sell pursuant to such offering (the "Shelf *Offering*"). As promptly as practicable, but no later than two Business Days after receipt of a Shelf Offering Request, the Corporation shall give written notice (the "Shelf Offering Notice") of such Shelf Offering Request to all other holders of Shelf Registrable Securities. The Corporation, subject to Sections 2(h) and 8 hereof, shall include in such Shelf Offering the Shelf Registrable Securities of any other Holder that shall have made a written request to the Corporation for inclusion in such Shelf Offering (which request shall specify the maximum number of Shelf Registrable Securities intended to be sold by such Holder) within 10 days after the receipt of the Shelf Offering Notice. The Corporation shall, as expeditiously as possible (and in any event within 20 days after the receipt of a Shelf Offering Request, unless a longer period is agreed to by the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities that made the Shelf Offering Request), use its reasonable best efforts to facilitate such Shelf Offering.

- (iii) Shelf Offering Notice Constitutes MNPI. Each Holder agrees that (1) any Shelf Offering Notice constitutes MNPI and that it will not engage in any transaction in any securities of the Corporation until such Shelf Offering Notice and the information contained therein ceases to constitute MNPI and (2) such Holder shall treat as confidential the receipt of the Shelf Offering Notice and shall not disclose or use the information contained in such Shelf Offering Notice without the prior written consent of the Corporation until such time as the information contained therein is or becomes available to the public generally, other than as a result of disclosure by the Holder in breach of the terms of this Agreement.
- (iv) <u>Underwritten Block Trades</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Controlling Holder wishes to engage in an underwritten block trade pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement (either through filing an Automatic Shelf Registration Statement or through a take-down from an existing Shelf Registration Statement), then notwithstanding the foregoing time periods, such Holder(s) only need to notify the Corporation of the block trade Shelf Offering two Business Days prior to the day such offering is to commence (unless a longer period is agreed to by Holder(s) representing a majority of the Registrable Securities wishing to engage in the underwritten block trade) and the Corporation shall promptly notify other Holders and such other Holders must elect whether or not to participate by the next Business Day (*i.e.*, one Business Day prior to the day such offering is to commence) (unless a longer period is agreed to by Holder(s) representing a majority of the Registrable Securities wishing to engage in the underwritten block trade) and the Corporation shall as expeditiously as possible use its reasonable best efforts to facilitate such offering (which may close as early as three Business Days after the date it commences); *provided* that Holder(s) representing a majority of the Registrable Securities wishing to engage in the underwritten block trade shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to work with the Corporation and the underwriters prior to making such request in order to facilitate preparation of the registration statement, prospectus and other offering documentation related to the underwritten block trade.
- (v) The Corporation shall, at the request of Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities covered by a Shelf Registration Statement, file any prospectus supplement or, if the applicable Shelf Registration Statement is an Automatic Shelf Registration Statement, any post-effective amendments and otherwise take any action necessary to include therein all disclosure and language deemed necessary or advisable by such Holders to effect such Shelf Offering.
- (h) <u>Priority on Demand Registrations and Shelf Offerings</u>. The Corporation shall not include in any Demand Registration or Shelf Offering any securities that are not Registrable Securities without the prior written consent of Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities included in such registration or offering. If a Demand Registration or a Shelf Offering is an underwritten offering and the managing underwriters advise the Corporation in writing that in their opinion the number of Registrable Securities and, if permitted hereunder, other securities requested to be included in such offering exceeds the number of Registrable Securities and other securities, if any, that can be sold therein without adversely affecting the marketability, proposed offering price, timing or method of distribution of the offering, the Corporation shall include in

such registration or offering, as applicable, prior to the inclusion of any securities which are not Registrable Securities the number of Registrable Securities requested by Holders to be included that, in the opinion of such underwriters, can be sold, without any such adverse effect, pro rata among the respective Holders thereof on the basis of the amount of Registrable Securities owned by each such Holder that such Holder of Registrable Securities shall have requested to be included therein. Alternatively, if the number of Registrable Securities which can be included on a Shelf Registration Statement is otherwise limited by Instruction I.B.6 to Form S-3 (or any successor provision thereto), the Corporation shall include in such registration or offering prior to the inclusion of any securities which are not Registrable Securities the number of Registrable Securities requested to be included which can be included on such Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with the requirements of Form S-3, pro rata among the respective Holders thereof on the basis of the amount of Registrable Securities owned by each such Holder that such Holder of Registrable Securities shall have requested to be included therein.

(i) Restrictions on Demand Registration and Shelf Offerings.

(i) Limitations on Demand Registrations; Suspension of Registration. The Corporation shall not be obligated to effect any Demand Registration (i) prior to the 180th day following the date of the final prospectus for the IPO (unless not prohibited under the terms of the underwriting agreement for the IPO) or (ii) within 180 days after the effective date of a previous Demand Registration or a previous registration in which Registrable Securities were included pursuant to Section 3 and in which there was no reduction in the number of Registrable Securities requested to be included. The Corporation may postpone, for up to 60 days from the date of the request, the filing or the effectiveness of a registration statement for a Demand Registration or suspend the use of a prospectus that is part of a Shelf Registration Statement for up to 60 days from the date of the Suspension Notice (as defined below) and therefore suspend sales of the Shelf Registrable Securities (such period, the "Suspension Period") by providing written notice to the Holders if (A) the Corporation shall have furnished to the Holders a certificate signed by the Chief Executive Officer (or other authorized officer) of the Corporation stating that the board of directors determines in its reasonable good faith judgment that the offer or sale of Registrable Securities would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on any proposal or plan by the Corporation or any Subsidiary to engage in any material acquisition of assets or stock (other than in the ordinary course of business) or any material merger, consolidation, tender offer, recapitalization, reorganization or other transaction involving the Corporation or any Subsidiary, (B) upon advice of counsel, the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement would require disclosure of MNPI not otherwise required to be disclosed under applicable law, and (C) either (x) the Corporation has a bona fide business purpose for preserving the confidentiality of such transaction or (y) disclosure of such MNPI would have a material adverse effect on the Corporation or the Corporation's ability to consummate such transaction; provided that in such event, the Holders shall be entitled to withdraw such request for a Demand Registration or underwritten Shelf Offering and the Corporation shall pay all Registration Expenses in connection with such Demand Registration or Shelf Offering. The Corporation may postpone the filing or the effectiveness of a registration statement for a Demand Registration or suspend the use of a prospectus that is part of a Shelf Registration Statement as contemplated above only once in any twelve-month period, except with the consent of the applicable Controlling Holder.

- (ii) Suspension Event; Suspension Notice. In the case of an event that causes the Corporation to suspend the use of a Shelf Registration Statement as set forth in paragraph (f)(i) above or pursuant to applicable subsections of Section 5(a)(vi) (a "Suspension Event"), the Corporation shall give a notice to the Holders of Registrable Securities registered pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement (a "Suspension Notice") to suspend sales of the Registrable Securities and such notice shall state generally the basis for the notice and that such suspension shall continue only for so long as the Suspension Event or its effect is continuing. If the basis of such suspension is nondisclosure of MNPI, the Corporation shall not be required to disclose the subject matter of such MNPI to Holders. A Holder shall not effect any sales of the Registrable Securities pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement (or such filings) at any time after it has received a Suspension Notice from the Corporation and prior to receipt of an End of Suspension Notice (as defined below).
- (iii) <u>Suspension Notice Constitutes MNPI</u>. Each Holder agrees that (1) any Suspension Notice constitutes MNPI and that it will not engage in any transaction in any securities of the Corporation until such notice and the information contained therein ceases to constitute MNPI and (2) such Holder shall treat as confidential the receipt of the Suspension Notice and shall not disclose or use the information contained in such Suspension Notice without the prior written consent of the Corporation until such time as the information contained therein is or becomes available to the public generally, other than as a result of disclosure by the Holder in breach of the terms of this Agreement. Holders may recommence effecting sales of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement (or such filings) following further written notice to such effect (an "End of Suspension Notice") from the Corporation, which End of Suspension Notice shall be given by the Corporation to the Holders and their counsel, if any, promptly following the conclusion of any Suspension Event.
- (iv) Extension Following Suspension. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, if the Corporation gives a Suspension Notice with respect to any Shelf Registration Statement pursuant to this Section 2(i), the Corporation agrees that it shall (A) extend the period of time during which such Shelf Registration Statement shall be maintained effective pursuant to this Agreement by the number of days during the period from the date of receipt by the Holders of the Suspension Notice to and including the date of receipt by the Holders of the End of Suspension Notice, and (B) provide copies of any supplemented or amended prospectus necessary to resume sales, with respect to each Suspension Event; provided that such period of time shall not be extended beyond the date that there are no longer Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement.
- (j) <u>Selection of Underwriters</u>. Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities being registered by the Controlling Holders in any Demand Registration, shall have the right to select the investment banker(s) and manager(s) to administer the offering (including assignment of titles), subject to the Corporation's approval not be unreasonably withheld,

conditioned or delayed. If any Shelf Offering is an Underwritten Takedown, the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities participating in such Underwritten Takedown shall have the right to select the investment banker(s) and manager(s) to administer the offering relating to such Shelf Offering (including assignment of titles), subject to the Corporation's approval not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

(k) Other Registration Rights. The Corporation represents and warrants that it is not a party to, or otherwise subject to, any other agreement granting registration rights to any other Person with respect to any securities of the Corporation. Except as provided in this Agreement, the Corporation shall not grant to any Persons the right to request the Corporation or any Subsidiary to register any Capital Stock of the Corporation or of any Subsidiary, or any securities convertible or exchangeable into or exercisable for such securities, without the prior written consent of the applicable Controlling Holder.

Section 3. <u>Piggyback Registrations</u>.

- (a) Right to Piggyback. Following the IPO, whenever the Corporation proposes to register any of its securities under the Securities Act (other than (i) pursuant to a Demand Registration, (ii) in connection with registrations on Form S-4 or S-8 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor or similar forms or (iii) a registration on any form that does not include substantially the same information as would be required to be included in a registration statement covering the sale of Registrable Securities) and the registration form to be used may be used for the registration of Registrable Securities (a "Piggyback Registration"), the Corporation shall give prompt written notice (in any event within three Business Days after its receipt of notice of any request for registration on behalf of holders of the Company's securities (other than the Holders)) to all Holders of its intention to effect such Piggyback Registration and, subject to the terms of Section 3(c) and Section 3(d), shall include in such Piggyback Registration (and in all related registrations or qualifications under blue sky laws and in any related underwriting) all Registrable Securities with respect to which the Corporation has received written requests for inclusion therein within 20 days after delivery of the Corporation's notice.
- (b) <u>Piggyback Expenses</u>. The Registration Expenses of the Holders shall be paid by the Corporation in all Piggyback Registrations, whether or not any such registration became effective.
- (c) <u>Priority on Primary Registrations</u>. If a Piggyback Registration is an underwritten primary registration on behalf of the Corporation, and the managing underwriters advise the Corporation in writing that in their opinion the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number which can be sold in such offering without adversely affecting the marketability, proposed offering price, timing or method of distribution of the offering, the Corporation shall include in such registration (i) first, the securities the Corporation proposes to sell, (ii) second, the Registrable Securities requested to be included in such registration which, in the opinion of the underwriters, can be sold without any such adverse effect, pro rata among the Holders on the basis of the number of Registrable Securities owned by each such Holder that such Holder of Registrable Securities shall have requested to be included therein, and (iii) third, other securities requested to be included in such registration which, in the opinion of the underwriters, can be sold without any such adverse effect.

- (d) <u>Priority on Secondary Registrations</u>. If a Piggyback Registration is an underwritten secondary registration on behalf of holders of the Corporation's securities (other than the Holders), and the managing underwriters advise the Corporation in writing that in their opinion the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number which can be sold in such offering without adversely affecting the marketability, proposed offering price, timing or method of distribution of the offering, the Corporation shall include in such registration (i) first, the securities requested to be included therein by the initial holders requesting such registration which, in the opinion of the underwriters, can be sold without any such adverse effect, (ii) second, the Registrable Securities of Holders requested to be included in such registration which, in the opinion of the underwriters, can be sold without any such adverse effect, pro rata among the such Holders on the basis of the number of Registrable Securities owned by each such Holder that such Holder of Registrable Securities shall have requested to be included therein and (iii) third, other securities requested to be included in such registration which, in the opinion of the underwriters, can be sold without any such adverse effect.
- (e) <u>Selection of Underwriters</u>. If any Piggyback Registration is an underwritten offering, the selection of investment banker(s) and manager(s) for the offering shall be at the election of the Corporation (in the case of a primary registration) or at the election of the holders of other Corporation securities requesting such registration (in the case of a secondary registration); *provided* that Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities included in such Piggyback Registration may request that one or more investment banker(s) or manager(s) be included in such offering (such request not to be binding on the Corporation or such other initiating holders of Corporation securities).
- (f) <u>Right to Terminate Registration</u>. The Corporation shall have the right to terminate or withdraw any registration initiated by it under this <u>Section 3</u> whether or not any Holder has elected to include securities in such registration. The Registration Expenses of such withdrawn registration shall be borne by the Corporation in accordance with <u>Section 6</u>.
- Section 4. <u>Holdback Agreements</u>. If requested by the Corporation or the managing underwriter(s), all Holders shall enter into customary lock-up agreements (no less favorable to Holders than those entered into in connection with the IPO, if applicable) with the managing underwriter(s) of such Public Offering. The Corporation may impose stop-transfer instructions with respect to the shares of Capital Stock (or other securities) subject to the restrictions set forth in any such lock-up agreements until the end of the applicable restricted period (the "*Holdback Period*").

Section 5. Registration Procedures.

(a) Whenever the Holders have requested that any Registrable Securities be registered pursuant to this Agreement or have initiated a Shelf Offering, (i) such Holders shall, if applicable, cause such Registrable Securities to be exchanged into shares of Class A Common Stock in accordance with the terms of the LLC Agreement prior to sale of such Registrable

Securities and (ii), the Corporation shall use its reasonable best efforts to effect the registration and the sale of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method of disposition thereof, and pursuant thereto the Corporation shall as expeditiously as possible:

- (i) in accordance with the Securities Act and all applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, prepare and file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (subject to the availability of required financial information) a registration statement, and all amendments and supplements thereto and related prospectuses, with respect to such Registrable Securities and use its reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective (provided that before filing a registration statement or prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto, the Corporation shall furnish to the counsel selected by the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement copies of all such documents proposed to be filed, which documents shall be subject to the review and comment of such counsel);
- (ii) notify each holder of Registrable Securities of (A) the issuance by the Securities and Exchange Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of any registration statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose, (B) the receipt by the Corporation or its counsel of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose and (C) the effectiveness of each registration statement filed hereunder;
- (iii) prepare and file with the Securities and Exchange Commission such amendments and supplements to such registration statement and the prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to keep such registration statement effective for a period ending when all of the securities covered by such registration statement have been disposed of in accordance with the intended methods of distribution by the sellers thereof set forth in such registration statement (but in any event not before the expiration of any longer period required under the Securities Act or, if such registration statement relates to an underwritten Public Offering, such longer period as in the opinion of counsel for the underwriters a prospectus is required by law to be delivered in connection with sale of Registrable Securities by an underwriter or dealer) and comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all securities covered by such registration statement during such period in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the sellers thereof set forth in such registration statement;
- (iv) furnish to each seller of Registrable Securities thereunder such number of copies of such registration statement, each amendment and supplement thereto, the prospectus included in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus), each Free Writing Prospectus and such other documents as such seller may reasonably request in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such seller;
- (v) use its reasonable best efforts to register or qualify such Registrable Securities under such other securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as any seller

reasonably requests and do any and all other acts and things which may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable such seller to consummate the disposition in such jurisdictions of the Registrable Securities owned by such seller (provided that the Corporation shall not be required to (A) qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for this subparagraph, (B) consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction or (C) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction);

- (vi) notify each seller of such Registrable Securities (A) promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the date and time when such registration statement and each post-effective amendment thereto has become effective or a prospectus or supplement to any prospectus relating to a registration statement has been filed and when any registration or qualification has become effective under a state securities or blue sky law or any exemption thereunder has been obtained, (B) promptly after receipt thereof, of any request by the Securities and Exchange Commission for the amendment or supplementing of such registration statement or prospectus or for additional information and (C) at any time when a prospectus relating thereto is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, of the happening of any event as a result of which the prospectus included in such registration statement contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits any fact necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and, subject to Section 2(f), at the request of any such seller, the Corporation shall prepare a supplement or amendment to such prospectus so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of such Registrable Securities, such prospectus shall not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any fact necessary to make the statements therein not misleading;
- (vii) use reasonable best efforts to cause all such Registrable Securities to be listed on each securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Corporation are then listed and, if not so listed, to be listed on a securities exchange and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to arrange for at least two market markers to register as such with respect to such Registrable Securities with FINRA;
- (viii) use reasonable best efforts to provide a transfer agent and registrar for all such Registrable Securities not later than the effective date of such registration statement;
- (ix) enter into and perform such customary agreements, including underwriting agreements, or other agreements with underwriters, and including customary representations, warranties, covenants, indemnities and lock-up provisions (no less favorable than those entered into in connection with the IPO), and take all such other actions as the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities being sold or the underwriters, if any, reasonably request in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities (including, without limitation, effecting a stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization or reorganization);
- (x) make available for inspection by any seller of Registrable Securities, any underwriter participating in any disposition pursuant to such registration statement and any attorney, accountant or other agent retained by any such seller or underwriter, all financial and other records, pertinent corporate and business documents and properties of

the Corporation as shall be necessary to enable them to exercise their due diligence responsibility, and cause the Corporation's officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives and independent accountants to supply all information reasonably requested by any such seller, underwriter, attorney, accountant or agent in connection with such registration statement;

- (xi) take all reasonable actions to ensure that any Free-Writing Prospectus utilized in connection with any Demand Registration or Piggyback Registration hereunder complies in all material respects with the Securities Act, is filed in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby, is retained in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby and, when taken together with the related prospectus, shall not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;
- (xii) otherwise use its reasonable best efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and make available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable, an earnings statement covering the period of at least twelve months beginning with the first day of the Corporation's first full calendar quarter after the effective date of the registration statement, which earnings statement shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158;
- (xiii) to the extent that a Holder, in its sole and exclusive judgment, might be deemed to be an underwriter of any Registrable Securities or a controlling person of the Corporation, permit such Holder to participate in the preparation of such registration or comparable statement and allow such Holder to provide language for insertion therein, in form and substance satisfactory to the Corporation, which in the reasonable judgment of such Holder and its counsel should be included;
- (xiv) in the event of the issuance of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of a registration statement, or the issuance of any order suspending or preventing the use of any related prospectus or suspending the qualification of any Class A Common Stock included in such registration statement for sale in any jurisdiction use reasonable best efforts promptly to obtain the withdrawal of such order;
- (xv) use its reasonable best efforts to cause such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement to be registered with or approved by such other governmental agencies or authorities as may be necessary to enable the sellers thereof to consummate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;
- (xvi) cooperate with the Holders of Registrable Securities covered by the registration statement and the managing underwriter or agent, if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates (not bearing any restrictive legends) representing securities to be sold under the registration statement and enable such securities to be in such denominations and registered in such names as the managing underwriter, or agent, if any, or such Holders may request;

- (xvii) cooperate with each Holder of Registrable Securities covered by the registration statement and each underwriter or agent participating in the disposition of such Registrable Securities and their respective counsel in connection with any filings required to be made with FINRA:
- (xviii) use its reasonable best efforts to make available the executive officers of the Corporation to participate with the Holders of Registrable Securities covered by the registration statement and any underwriters in any "road shows" or other selling efforts that may be reasonably requested by the Holders in connection with the methods of distribution for the Registrable Securities;
- (xix) in the case of any underwritten Public Offering, use its reasonable best efforts to obtain one or more cold comfort letters from the Corporation's independent public accountants or other independent public accountants as appropriate, in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by cold comfort letters as the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities being sold reasonably request;
- (xx) in the case of any underwritten Public Offering, use its reasonable best efforts to provide a legal opinion of the Corporation's outside counsel, dated the closing date of the Public Offering, in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by legal opinions of such nature, which opinion shall be addressed to the underwriters and the Holders of such Registrable Securities being sold;
- (xxi) if the Corporation files an Automatic Shelf Registration Statement covering any Registrable Securities, use its reasonable best efforts to remain a WKSI (and not become an ineligible issuer (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act)) during the period during which such Automatic Shelf Registration Statement is required to remain effective;
- (xxii) if the Corporation does not pay the filing fee covering the Registrable Securities at the time an Automatic Shelf Registration Statement is filed, pay such fee at such time or times as the Registrable Securities are to be sold;
- (xxiii) if the Automatic Shelf Registration Statement has been outstanding for at least three (3) years, at the end of the third year, file a new Automatic Shelf Registration Statement covering the Registrable Securities, and, if at any time when the Corporation is required to re-evaluate its WKSI status the Corporation determines that it is not a WKSI, use its reasonable best efforts to refile the Shelf Registration Statement on Form S-3 and, if such form is not available, Form S-1 and keep such registration statement effective during the period during which such registration statement is required to be kept effective; and
- (xxiv) take no direct or indirect action prohibited by Regulation M under the Exchange Act; provided, however, that to the extent that any prohibition is applicable to the Corporation, the Corporation will use its reasonable best efforts to make any such prohibition inapplicable.

- (b) Any officer of the Corporation who is a Holder agrees that if and for so long as he or she is employed by the Corporation or any Subsidiary thereof, he or she shall participate fully in the sale process in a manner customary and reasonable for persons in like positions and consistent with his or her other duties with the Corporation and in accordance with applicable law, including the preparation of the registration statement and the preparation and presentation of any road shows.
- (c) The Corporation may require each Holder requesting, or electing to participate in, any registration to furnish the Corporation such information regarding such Holder and the distribution of such Registrable Securities as the Corporation may from time to time reasonably request in writing.
- (d) If the Original LLC Owners or any of their respective Affiliates seek to effectuate an in-kind distribution of all or part of their respective Registrable Securities to their respective direct or indirect equityholders, the Corporation shall, subject to any applicable lock-ups, work with the foregoing persons to facilitate such in-kind distribution in the manner reasonably requested.

Section 6. Registration Expenses.

- (a) The Corporation's Obligation. All expenses incident to the Corporation's performance of or compliance with this Agreement (including, without limitation, all registration, qualification and filing fees, fees and expenses of compliance with securities or blue sky laws, printing expenses, messenger and delivery expenses, fees and disbursements of custodians, and fees and disbursements of counsel for the Corporation and all independent certified public accountants, underwriters (excluding underwriting discounts and commissions) and other Persons retained by the Corporation) (all such expenses being herein called "Registration Expenses"), shall be borne as provided in this Agreement, except that the Corporation shall, in any event, pay its internal expenses (including, without limitation, all salaries and expenses of its officers and employees performing legal or accounting duties), the expense of any annual audit or quarterly review, the expense of any liability insurance and the expenses and fees for listing the securities to be registered on each securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Corporation are then listed. Each Person that sells securities pursuant to a Demand Registration or Piggyback Registration hereunder shall bear and pay all underwriting discounts and commissions applicable to the securities sold for such Person's account.
- (b) <u>Counsel Fees and Disbursements</u>. In connection with each Demand Registration, each Piggyback Registration and each Shelf Offering that is an underwritten Public Offering, the Corporation shall reimburse the Holders of Registrable Securities included in such registration for the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel chosen by the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities included in such registration or participating in such Shelf Offering.

Section 7. Indemnification and Contribution.

- (a) By the Corporation. The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the extent permitted by law, each Holder, such Holder's officers, directors, managers, employees, agents and representatives, and each Person who controls such Holder (within the meaning of the Securities Act) (the "Holder Indemnified Parties") against all losses, claims, actions, damages, liabilities and expenses (including with respect to actions or proceedings, whether commenced or threatened, and including reasonable attorney fees and expenses) caused by, resulting from, arising out of, based upon or related to any of the following statements, omissions or violations (each a "Violation") by the Corporation: (i) any untrue or alleged untrue statement of material fact contained in (A) any registration statement, prospectus, preliminary prospectus or Free-Writing Prospectus, or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or (B) any application or other document or communication (in this Section 7, collectively called an "application") executed by or on behalf of the Corporation or based upon written information furnished by or on behalf of the Corporation filed in any jurisdiction in order to qualify any securities covered by such registration under the securities laws thereof, (ii) any omission or alleged omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or (iii) any violation or alleged violation by the Corporation of the Securities Act or any other similar federal or state securities laws or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder applicable to the Corporation and relating to action or inaction required of the Corporation in connection with any such registration, qualification or compliance. In addition, the Corporation will reimburse such Holder Indemnified Party for any legal or any other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such losses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such losses result from, arise out of, are based upon, or relate to an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement, or omission or alleged omission, made in such registration statement, any such prospectus, preliminary prospectus or Free-Writing Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, or in any application, in reliance upon, and in conformity with, written information prepared and furnished in writing to the Corporation by such Holder Indemnified Party expressly for use therein. In connection with an underwritten offering, the Corporation shall indemnify such underwriters, their officers and directors, and each Person who controls such underwriters (within the meaning of the Securities Act) to the same extent as provided above with respect to the indemnification of the Holder Indemnified Parties.
- (b) <u>By Each Holder</u>. In connection with any registration statement in which a Holder is participating, each such Holder shall furnish to the Corporation in writing such information and affidavits as the Corporation reasonably requests for use in connection with any such registration statement or prospectus and, to the extent permitted by law, shall indemnify the Corporation, its officers, directors, managers, employees, agents and representatives, and each Person who controls the Corporation (within the meaning of the Securities Act) against any losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses resulting from any untrue or alleged untrue statement of material fact contained in the registration statement, prospectus or preliminary prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any omission or alleged omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, but only to the extent that such untrue statement or omission is contained in any information or affidavit so furnished in writing by such Holder; *provided* that the obligation to indemnify shall be individual, not joint and several, for each Holder and shall be limited to the net amount of proceeds received by such Holder from the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to such registration statement.

- (c) <u>Claim Procedure</u>. Any Person entitled to indemnification hereunder shall (i) give prompt written notice to the indemnifying party of any claim with respect to which it seeks indemnification (provided that the failure to give prompt notice shall impair any Person's right to indemnification hereunder only to the extent such failure has prejudiced the indemnifying party) and (ii) unless in such indemnified party's reasonable judgment a conflict of interest between such indemnified and indemnifying parties may exist with respect to such claim, permit such indemnifying party to assume the defense of such claim with counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party. If such defense is assumed, the indemnifying party shall not be subject to any liability for any settlement made by the indemnified party without its consent (but such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed). An indemnifying party who is not entitled to, or elects not to, assume the defense of a claim shall not be obligated to pay the fees and expenses of more than one counsel for all parties indemnified by such indemnifying party with respect to such claim, unless in the reasonable judgment of any indemnified party a conflict of interest may exist between such indemnified party and any other of such indemnified parties with respect to such claim. In such instance, the conflicted indemnified parties shall have a right to retain one separate counsel, chosen by the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities included in the registration if such Holders are indemnified parties, at the expense of the indemnifying party.
- (d) Contribution. If the indemnification provided for in this Section 7 is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unavailable to, or is insufficient to hold harmless, an indemnified party or is otherwise unenforceable with respect to any loss, claim, damage, liability or action referred to herein, then the indemnifying party shall contribute to the amounts paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such loss, claim, damage, liability or action in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party on the one hand and of the indemnified party on the other hand in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such loss, claim, damage, liability or action as well as any other relevant equitable considerations; provided that the maximum amount of liability in respect of such contribution shall be limited, in the case of each seller of Registrable Securities, to an amount equal to the net proceeds actually received by such seller from the sale of Registrable Securities effected pursuant to such registration. The relative fault of the indemnifying party and of the indemnified party shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the indemnifying party or by the indemnified party and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just or equitable if the contribution pursuant to this Section 7(d) were to be determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take into account such equitable considerations. The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses referred to herein shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending against any action or claim which is the subject hereof. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(t) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who is not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.
- (e) Release. No indemnifying party shall, except with the consent of the indemnified party, consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement that does not include as

an unconditional term thereof giving by the claimant or plaintiff to such indemnified party of a release from all liability in respect to such claim or litigation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this <u>Section 7</u>, an indemnifying party shall not be liable for any amounts paid in settlement of any loss, claim, damage, liability, or action if such settlement is effected without the consent of the indemnifying party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

(f) Non-exclusive Remedy; Survival. The indemnification and contribution provided for under this Agreement shall be in addition to any other rights to indemnification or contribution that any indemnified party may have pursuant to law or contract and shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of the indemnified party or any officer, director or controlling Person of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of Registrable Securities and the termination or expiration of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that the provisions on indemnification and contribution contained in the underwriting agreement entered into in connection with the underwritten public offering are in conflict with the foregoing provisions, the provisions in the underwriting agreement shall control.

Section 8. <u>Underwritten Registrations</u>.

- (a) Participation. No Person may participate in any Public Offering hereunder which is underwritten unless such Person (i) agrees to sell such Person's securities on the basis provided in any underwriting arrangements approved by the Person or Persons entitled hereunder to approve such arrangements (including, without limitation, pursuant to any over-allotment or "green shoe" option requested by the underwriters; provided that no Holder shall be required to sell more than the number of Registrable Securities such Holder has requested to include) and (ii) completes and executes all questionnaires, powers of attorney, indemnities, underwriting agreements, custody agreements and other documents required under the terms of such underwriting arrangements. Each Holder shall execute and deliver such other agreements as may be reasonably requested by the Corporation and the lead managing underwriter(s) that are consistent with such Holder's obligations under Section 4, Section 5 and this Section 8(a) or that are necessary to give further effect thereto. To the extent that any such agreement is entered into pursuant to, and consistent with, Section 4 and this Section 8(a), the respective rights and obligations created under such agreement shall supersede the respective rights and obligations of the Holders, the Corporation and the underwriters created pursuant to this Section 8(a).
- (b) <u>Price and Underwriting Discounts</u>. In the case of an underwritten Demand Registration or Underwritten Takedown requested by Holders pursuant to this Agreement, the price, underwriting discount and other financial terms of the related underwriting agreement for the Registrable Securities shall be determined by the Holders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities included in such underwritten offering.
- (c) <u>Suspended Distributions</u>. Each Person that is participating in any registration under this Agreement, upon receipt of any notice from the Corporation of the happening of any event of the kind described in <u>Section 5(a)(vi)(B)</u> or (C), shall immediately discontinue the disposition of its Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement until such Person's receipt of the copies of a supplemented or amended prospectus as contemplated by <u>Section 5(a)(vi)</u>.

In the event the Corporation has given any such notice, the applicable time period set forth in <u>Section 5(a)(iii)</u> during which a Registration Statement is to remain effective shall be extended by the number of days during the period from and including the date of the giving of such notice pursuant to this <u>Section 8(c)</u> to and including the date when each seller of Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement shall have received the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by <u>Section 5(a)(vi)</u>.

- Section 9. <u>Additional Parties; Joinder.</u> Subject to the prior written consent of each Controlling Holder, the Corporation may make any Person who acquires Class A Common Stock or rights to acquire Class A Common Stock from the Corporation after the date hereof (including without limitation any Person who acquires Common Units) a party to this Agreement (each such Person, an "*Additional Investor*") and to succeed to all of the rights and obligations of a Holder under this Agreement by obtaining an executed joinder to this Agreement from such Additional Investor in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto (a "*Joinder*"). Upon the execution and delivery of a Joinder by such Additional Investor, the Class A Common Stock of the Corporation acquired by such Additional Investor or issuable upon redemption or exchange of Common Units acquired by such Additional Investor (the "*Acquired Common*") shall be Registrable Securities to the extent provided herein, such Additional Investor shall be a Holder under this Agreement with respect to the Acquired Common, and the Corporation shall add such Additional Investor's name and address to the Schedule of Investors and circulate such information to the parties to this Agreement.
- Section 10. <u>Current Public Information</u>. With a view to making available the benefits of certain rules and regulations of the Securities Exchange Commission which may permit the sale of restricted securities to the public without registration, the Corporation agrees to:
- (a) make and keep public information available as those terms are understood and defined in Rule 144, at all times from and after ninety (90) days following the effective date of the registration statement with respect to the IPO;
- (b) use its reasonable best efforts to file with the Securities Exchange Commission in a timely manner all reports and other documents required of the Corporation under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act; and
- (c) so long as the Holders own any Registrable Shares, furnish to the Holders upon request, a written statement by the Company as to its compliance with the reporting requirements of Rule 144 (at any time from and after ninety (90) days following the effective date of the registration statement with respect to the IPO), and of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, a copy of the most recent annual or quarterly report of the Corporation, and such other reports and documents so filed as a Holder may reasonably request in availing itself of any rule or regulation of the Securities Exchange Commission allowing such Holder to sell any such securities without registration.
- Section 11. <u>Subsidiary Public Offering</u>. If, after an initial Public Offering of the Capital Stock of one of its Subsidiaries (including the Company), the Corporation distributes securities of such Subsidiary to its equityholders, then the rights and obligations of the Corporation pursuant to this Agreement shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to such Subsidiary, and the Corporation shall cause such Subsidiary to comply with such Subsidiary's obligations under this Agreement.

Section 12. Transfer of Registrable Securities.

- (a) Restrictions on Transfers. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, except in the case of (i) a transfer to the Corporation, (ii) a transfer by any Original LLC Owners or any of its Affiliates to its respective equityholders, (iii) a Public Offering, (iv) a sale pursuant to Rule 144 after the completion of the IPO or (v) a transfer in connection with a sale of the Corporation, prior to transferring any Registrable Securities to any Person (including, without limitation, by operation of law), the transferring Holder shall cause the prospective transfere to execute and deliver to the Corporation a Joinder agreeing to be bound by the terms of this Agreement. Any transfer or attempted transfer of any Registrable Securities in violation of any provision of this Agreement shall be void, and the Corporation shall not record such transfer on its books or treat any purported transferee of such Registrable Securities as the owner thereof for any purpose.
- (b) <u>Legend</u>. Each certificate evidencing any Registrable Securities and each certificate issued in exchange for or upon the transfer of any Registrable Securities (unless such Registrable Securities would no longer be Registrable Securities after such transfer) shall be stamped or otherwise imprinted with a legend in substantially the following form:

"THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER AND OTHER PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN A REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT DATED AS OF FEBRUARY 16, 2021, BY AND AMONG THE ISSUER OF SUCH SECURITIES (THE "CORPORATION") AND CERTAIN OF THE CORPORATION'S STOCKHOLDERS, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME. A COPY OF SUCH REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT WILL BE FURNISHED WITHOUT CHARGE BY THE CORPORATION TO THE HOLDER HEREOF UPON WRITTEN REQUEST."

The Corporation shall imprint such legend on certificates evidencing Registrable Securities outstanding prior to the date hereof, and shall cause the Company to imprint such legend on certificates, if any, evidencing Common Units exchangeable for Registrable Securities outstanding prior to the date hereof. The legend set forth above shall be removed from the certificates evidencing any securities that have ceased to be Registrable Securities.

Section 13. MNPI Provisions.

(a) Each Holder acknowledges that (i) the provisions of this Agreement that require communications by the Corporation or other Holders to such Holder may result in such Holder and its Representatives (as defined below) acquiring MNPI (which may include, solely by way of illustration, the fact that an offering of the Corporation's securities is pending or the number of Corporation securities or the identity of the selling Holders), and (ii) there is no limitation on the duration of time that such Holder and its Representatives may be in possession of MNPI and no requirement that the Company or other Holders make any public disclosure to cause such information to cease to be MNPI; *provided* that the Corporation will use commercially reasonable best efforts to promptly notify each Holder if any proposed registration or offering for which a notice has been delivered pursuant to this Agreement has been terminated or aborted.

- (b) Each Holder agrees that it will maintain the confidentiality of such MNPI and, to the extent such Holder is not a natural person, such confidential treatment shall be in accordance with procedures adopted by it in good faith to protect confidential information of third parties delivered to such Holder ("*Policies*"); *provided* that a holder may deliver or disclose MNPI to (i) its directors, officers, employees, agents, attorneys, affiliates and financial and other advisors (collectively, the "*Representatives*"), but solely to the extent such disclosure reasonably relates to its evaluation of exercise of its rights under this Agreement and the sale of any Registrable Securities in connection with the subject of the notice, (ii) any federal or state regulatory authority having jurisdiction over such Holder, (iii) any Person if necessary to effect compliance with any law, rule, regulation or order applicable to such Holder, (iv) in response to any subpoena or other legal process, or (v) in connection with any litigation to which such Holder is a party; *provided further*, that in the case of clause (i), the recipients of such MNPI are subject to the Policies or agree to hold confidential the MNPI in a manner substantially consistent with the terms of Section 13 and that in the case of clauses (ii) through (y), such disclosure is required by law and you promptly notify the Corporation of such disclosure to the extent such Holder is legally permitted to give such notice.
- (c) Each Holder, by its execution of a counterpart to this agreement or of a Joinder, hereby (i) acknowledges that it is aware that the U.S. securities laws prohibit any person who has MNPI about a company from purchasing or selling, directly or indirectly, securities of such company (including entering into hedge transactions involving such securities), or from communicating such information to any other person under circumstances in which it is reasonably foreseeable that such person is likely to purchase or sell such securities, and (ii) agrees that it will not use or permit any third party to use, and that it will use its reasonable best efforts to assure that none of its representatives will use or permit any third party to use, any MNPI the Corporation provides in contravention of the U.S. securities laws and cease trading in the Corporation's securities while in possession of material non-public information.
- (d) Each Holder shall have the right, at any time and from time to time (including after receiving information regarding any potential Public Offering), to elect to not receive any notice that the Corporation or any other Holders otherwise are required to deliver pursuant to this Agreement by delivering to the Corporation a written statement signed by such Holder that it does not want to receive any notices hereunder (an "*Opt-Out Request*"); in which case and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement the Corporation and other Holders shall not be required to, and shall not, deliver any notice or other information required to be provided to Holders hereunder to the extent that the Corporation or such other Holders reasonably expect would result in a Holder acquiring MNPI. An Opt-Out Request may state a date on which it expires or, if no such date is specified, shall remain in effect indefinitely. A Holder who previously has given the Corporation an Opt-Out Request may revoke such request at any time, and there shall be no limit on the ability of a Holder to issue and revoke subsequent Opt-Out Requests; *provided* that each Holder shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to minimize the administrative burden on the Corporation arising in connection with any such Opt-Out Requests.

Section 14. General Provisions.

- (a) Amendments and Waivers. Except as otherwise provided herein, the provisions of this Agreement may be amended, modified, terminated or waiver only with the prior written consent of the Corporation and each Controlling Holder; provided that no such amendment, modification, termination or waiver that would materially and adversely affect a Holder in a manner materially different than any other Holder (provided that the accession by Additional Investors to this Agreement pursuant to Section 9 shall not be deemed to adversely affect any Holder), shall be effective against such Holder without the consent of such Holder that is materially and adversely affected thereby. The failure or delay of any Person to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement shall in no way be construed as a waiver of such provisions and shall not affect the right of such Person thereafter to enforce each and every provision of this Agreement in accordance with its terms. A waiver or consent to or of any breach or default by any Person in the performance by that Person of his, her or its obligations under this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a consent or waiver to or of any other breach or default in the performance by that Person of the same or any other obligations of that Person under this Agreement.
- (b) Remedies. The parties to this Agreement shall be entitled to enforce their rights under this Agreement specifically (without posting a bond or other security), to recover damages caused by reason of any breach of any provision of this Agreement and to exercise all other rights existing in their favor. The parties hereto agree and acknowledge that a breach of this Agreement would cause irreparable harm and money damages would not be an adequate remedy for any such breach and that, in addition to any other rights and remedies existing hereunder, any party shall be entitled to specific performance and/or other injunctive relief from any court of law or equity of competent jurisdiction (without posting any bond or other security) in order to enforce or prevent violation of the provisions of this Agreement.
- (c) <u>Severability.</u> Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be prohibited, invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law or regulation in any jurisdiction, such prohibition, invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect the validity, legality or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement in such jurisdiction or in any other jurisdiction, but this Agreement shall be reformed, construed and enforced in such jurisdiction as if such prohibited, invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.
- (d) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement contains the complete agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes and preempts any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or among the parties hereto, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way.
- (e) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit and be enforceable by the Corporation and its successors and assigns and the Holders and their respective successors and assigns (whether so expressed or not). In addition, whether or not any express assignment has been made, the provisions of this Agreement which are for the benefit of Holders are also for the benefit of, and enforceable by, any subsequent or successor Holder that acquired Registrable Securities from a prior or predecessor Holder.

(f) Notices. Any notice, demand or other communication to be given under or by reason of the provisions of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given (i) when delivered personally to the recipient, (ii) when sent by confirmed electronic mail or facsimile if sent during normal business hours of the recipient but; if not, then on the next Business Day, (iii) one Business Day after it is sent to the recipient by reputable overnight courier service (charges prepaid) or (iv) three Business Days after it is mailed to the recipient by first class mail, return receipt requested. Such notices, demands and other communications shall be sent to the Corporation at the address specified below and to any Original LLC Owner or to any other party subject to this Agreement at such address as indicated on the Schedule of Investors, or at such address or to the attention of such other Person as the recipient party has specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any party may change such party's address for receipt of notice by providing prior written notice of the change to the sending party as provided herein. The Corporation's address is:

Bioventus Inc. 4721 Emperor Boulevard, Suite 100 Durham, North Carolina 27703 Attn: General Counsel

With a copy to:

Latham & Watkins LLP 200 Clarendon St. Boston, Massachusetts 02116 Attn: Wesley C. Holmes, Esq. Facsimile: (617) 948-6001

or to such other address or to the attention of such other Person as the recipient party has specified by prior written notice to the sending party.

- (g) <u>Business Days</u>. If any time period for giving notice or taking action hereunder expires on a day that is not a Business Day, the time period shall automatically be extended to the immediately following Business Day.
- (h) Governing Law. The corporate law of the State of Delaware shall govern all issues and questions concerning the relative rights of the Corporation and its stockholders. All other issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and the exhibits and schedules hereto shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions (whether of the State of New York or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of New York.
- (i) MUTUAL WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. AS A SPECIFICALLY BARGAINED FOR INDUCEMENT FOR EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO TO ENTER INTO THIS

AGREEMENT (AFTER HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT WITH COUNSEL), EACH PARTY HERETO EXPRESSLY WAIVES THE RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LAWSUIT OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO OR ARISING IN ANY WAY FROM THIS AGREEMENT OR THE MATTERS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

- (j) CONSENT TO JURISDICTION AND SERVICE OF PROCESS. EACH OF THE PARTIES IRREVOCABLY SUBMITS TO THE NON-EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE FEDERAL COURTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA LOCATED IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, FOR THE PURPOSES OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR OTHER PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT, ANY RELATED AGREEMENT OR ANY TRANSACTION CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO FURTHER AGREES THAT SERVICE OF ANY PROCESS, SUMMONS, NOTICE OR DOCUMENT BY U.S. REGISTERED MAIL TO SUCH PARTY'S RESPECTIVE ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR ANY ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTERS TO WHICH IT HAS SUBMITTED TO JURISDICTION IN THIS PARAGRAPH. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY OBJECTION TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT, ANY RELATED DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY AND THEREBY IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE, AND HEREBY AND THEREBY FURTHER IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES AND AGREES NOT TO PLEAD OR CLAIM IN ANY SUCH COURT THAT ANY SUCH ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM.
- (k) No Recourse. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Corporation and each Holder agrees and acknowledges that no recourse under this Agreement or any documents or instruments delivered in connection with this Agreement, shall be had against any current or future director, officer, employee, general or limited partner or member of any Holder or of any Affiliate or assignee thereof, whether by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding, or by virtue of any statute, regulation or other applicable law, it being expressly agreed and acknowledged that no personal liability whatsoever shall attach to, be imposed on or otherwise be incurred by any current or future officer, agent or employee of any Holder or any current or future member of any Holder or any current or future director, officer, employee, partner or member of any Holder or of any Affiliate or assignee thereof, as such for any obligation of any Holder under this Agreement or any documents or instruments delivered in connection with this Agreement for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations or their creation.
- (l) <u>Descriptive Headings; Interpretation</u>. The descriptive headings of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and do not constitute a part of this Agreement. The use of the word "including" in this Agreement shall be by way of example rather than by limitation.

- (m) No Strict Construction. The language used in this Agreement shall be deemed to be the language chosen by the parties hereto to express their mutual intent, and no rule of strict construction shall be applied against any party.
- (n) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, any one of which need not contain the signature of more than one party, but all such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- (o) <u>Electronic Delivery</u>. This Agreement, the agreements referred to herein, and each other agreement or instrument entered into in connection herewith or therewith or contemplated hereby or thereby, and any amendments hereto or thereto, to the extent executed and delivered by means of a photographic, photostatic, facsimile or similar reproduction of such signed writing using a facsimile machine or electronic mail shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original agreement or instrument and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effect as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. At the request of any party hereto or to any such agreement or instrument, each other party hereto or thereto shall re-execute original forms thereof and deliver them to all other parties. No party hereto or to any such agreement or instrument shall raise the use of a facsimile machine or electronic mail to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature or agreement or instrument was transmitted or communicated through the use of a facsimile machine or electronic mail as a defense to the formation or enforceability of a contract and each such party forever waives any such defense.
- (p) <u>Further Assurances</u>. In connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, each Holder shall execute and deliver any additional documents and instruments and perform any additional acts that may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate and perform the provisions of this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.
- (q) <u>No Inconsistent Agreements</u>. The Corporation shall not hereafter enter into any agreement with respect to its securities which is inconsistent with or violates the rights granted to the Holders in this Agreement.

Section 15. <u>Term.</u> This Agreement shall terminate on the date as of which all of the Registerable Securities have been sold (i) pursuant to a Registration Statement (but in no event prior to the applicable period referred to in Section 4(a)(3) of the Securities Act and Rule 174 thereunder (or any successor rule promulgated thereafter by the Commission)) or (ii) without registration pursuant to Rule 144 (or any similar provision) under the Securities Act with no volume or other restrictions or limitations. The provisions of <u>Section 7</u> and <u>Section 10(c)</u> shall survive any termination.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Registration Rights Agreement as of the date first written above.

BIOVENTUS INC.

By: /s/ Kenneth M. Reali
Name: Kenneth M. Reali
Title: Chief Executive Officer

[Signature Page to Registration Rights Agreement]

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.

By: /s/ Catheryn A. O'Rourke

Name: Catheryn A. O'Rourke

Title: Director

SMITH & NEPHEW (EUROPE) B.V.

By: /s/ J.A.D.J. Lindeman
Name: J.A.D.J. Lindeman

Title: Director

By: /s/ Antoine Vidts

Name: Antoine Vidts
Title: Director

[Signature Page to Registration Rights Agreement]

EW HEALTHCARE PARTNERS ACQUISITION FUND, L.P.

By: EW Healthcare Partners Acquisition Fund GP, L.P.

Its: General Partner

By: EW Healthcare Partners Acquisition Fund UGP,

LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Martin P. Sutter

Name: Martin P. Sutter Title: Manager

WHITE PINE MEDICAL LLC

By: /s/ Martin P. Sutter
Name: Martin P. Sutter

Title: Manager

SPINDLETOP HEALTHCARE CAPITAL L.P.

By: /s/ Evan Melrose

Name: Evan Melrose
Title: Managing Director

PANTHEON GLOBAL CO-INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES FUND L.P.

By: <u>/s/ Jeffrey Miller</u>

Name: Jeffrey Miller
Title: Managing Director

AMP-CF HOLDINGS, LLC

By: /s/ Dana L. Niles

Name: Dana L. Niles

Title: Chief Operating Officer

ALTA PARTNERS VIII, L.P.

By: /s/ Guy Nohra

Name: Guy Nohra
Title: Managing Director

SCHEDULE OF INVESTORS

<u>Holder</u>	Controlling Holder	Continuing LLC Owner/ Former LLC Owner
Smith & Nephew, Inc.	S&N Stockholders	Continuing LLC Owner
Smith & Nephew (Europe) B.V.	S&N Stockholders	Former LLC Owner
EW Healthcare Partners Acquisition Fund, L.P.	Essex Stockholders	Former LLC Owner
White Pine Medical LLC	Essex Stockholder	Former LLC Owner
Spindletop Healthcare Capital L.P.	Essex Stockholders	Former LLC Owner
Pantheon Global Co-Investment Opportunities Fund L.P.	Essex Stockholders	Former LLC Owner
AMP-CF Holdings, LLC	Essex Stockholders	Former LLC Owner
Alta Partners VIII, L.P.	Essex Stockholders	Former LLC Owner

REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT JOINDER

The undersigned is executing and delivering this Joinder pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement dated as of February 16, 2021 (as the same may hereafter be amended, the "*Registration Rights Agreement*"), among Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Corporation*"), and the other person named as parties therein.

By executing and delivering this Joinder to the Corporation, and upon acceptance hereof by the Corporation upon the execution of a counterpart hereof, the undersigned hereby agrees to become a party to, to be bound by, and to comply with the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement as a Holder of Registrable Securities in the same manner as if the undersigned were an original signatory to the Registration Rights Agreement, and the undersigned's shares of Class A Common Stock shall be included as Registrable Securities under the Registration Rights Agreement to the extent provided therein. The Corporation is directed to add the address below the undersigned's signature on this Joinder to the Schedule of Investors attached to the Registration Rights Agreement.

Accordingly, the undersigned has executed and delivered this Joinder as of the	day of , 20 .
	Signature of Stockholder
	Print Name of Stockholder
	Its:
	Address:
Agreed and Accepted as of , 20 Bioventus Inc.	
By:	
Name:	

STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT

THIS STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT, dated as of February 16, 2021 (as it may be amended, amended and restated or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof, this "<u>Agreement</u>"), is entered into by and among (i) Bioventus Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), (ii) Bioventus LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Bioventus LLC</u>"), (iii) the entities listed on <u>Schedule 1</u> attached hereto (together with their Affiliates, collectively, the "<u>Essex Stockholders</u>") and (iv) the entities listed on <u>Schedule 2</u> attached hereto (together with their Affiliates, collectively, the "<u>S+N Stockholders</u>" and, together with the Essex Stockholders, the "<u>Principal Stockholders</u>" and each a "<u>Principal Stockholders</u>" and each a "<u>Principal Stockholders</u>". Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings set forth in Section 1.1.

<u>WITNESSETH</u>:

WHEREAS, the Company, Bioventus LLC, the Principal Stockholders and certain other Persons have effected, or will effect in connection with the Closing, a series of reorganization transactions (collectively, the "<u>Transactions</u>");

WHEREAS, after giving effect to the Transactions, the Principal Stockholders own or will own either (x) shares of the Company's Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Class A Common Stock"), or (y) limited liability company interests in Bioventus LLC ("LLC Interests") and shares of the Company's Class B common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Class B Common Stock" and, together with the Class A Common Stock, the "Common Stock"), which such LLC Interests, subject to certain restrictions, are redeemable from time to time at the option of the holder thereof for newly-issued shares of Class A Common Stock or, if the Company and such holder mutually agree, a cash payment, in each case pursuant to the terms of the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Bioventus LLC (the "LLC Agreement");

WHEREAS, prior to the Effective Date, the Company will have priced an initial public offering of shares of its Class A Common Stock (the "<u>IPO</u>") pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement dated the Effective Date (the "<u>Underwriting Agreement</u>");

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to provide for certain governance rights and other matters, and to set forth the respective rights and obligations of the Principal Stockholders on and after the Effective Date.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements and understandings set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.1 Definitions As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings:

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any specified Person, (a) any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such other Person or (b) if such specified Person is a natural person, any other Person that is a part of such specified Person's Family Group. For purposes of this definition, (i) "control" when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have correlative meanings, and (ii) no Principal Stockholder or any of its Affiliates shall by reason of this Agreement or the Related Documents be deemed to be an Affiliate of any other Principal Stockholder, the Company, Bioventus LLC or any of their respective subsidiaries.

"<u>Agreement</u>" shall mean this Stockholders Agreement as in effect on the date hereof and as hereafter from time to time amended, modified or supplemented in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Bioventus LLC" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Board of Directors" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.

"Board Designees" shall mean the Directors designated by the Principal Stockholders pursuant to Section 2.1.

"Business Day" means a day, other than Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York, New York are authorized or required by applicable law to close.

"Class A Common Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Class B Common Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Closing" means the closing of the IPO.

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.

"Common Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Company" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Company Shares" means (i) all shares of Common Stock that are not then subject to vesting (but including shares that were at one time subject to vesting to the extent they have vested), (ii) all shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise, conversion or exchange of any option, warrant or convertible security that are not then subject to vesting (but including shares that were at one time subject to vesting to the extent they have vested) (without double counting shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon redemption of LLC Interests) and (iii) all shares of Common Stock directly or indirectly issued or issuable with respect to the securities referred to in clauses (i) or (ii) above by way of unit or stock dividend or unit or stock split, or in connection with a combination of units or shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation or other reorganization.

- "Director" shall mean a member of the Board of Directors.
- "Effective Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.12.
- "Essex Stockholder Designee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).
- "Essex Director" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).
- "Essex Stockholders" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "Exchange Act" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.11.
- "<u>Family Group</u>" means a Principal Stockholder's spouse and descendants (whether by birth or adoption) and any trust solely for the benefit of such Principal Stockholder and/or such Principal Stockholder and/or such Principal Stockholder's descendants (by birth or adoption), parents or dependents, or any charitable trust the grantor of which is such signatory and/or one or more members of the Principal Stockholder's Family Group.
- "Governmental Authority" means any transnational, domestic or foreign federal, provincial, state or local governmental, regulatory or administrative authority (including the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services), department, court, agency, including any political subdivision thereof.
 - "IPO" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "LLC Interests" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- "Loss" or "Losses" shall mean any claims, losses, liabilities, damages, interest, penalties and costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys', accountants' and expert witnesses' fees, and costs and expenses of investigation and amounts paid in settlement, court costs, and other expenses of litigation, including in respect of enforcement of indemnity rights hereunder (it being understood that Losses shall not include any consequential, special, incidental, indirect or punitive damages).
- "Necessary Action" means, with respect to a specified result, all commercially reasonable actions required to cause such result that are within the power of a specified Person, including but not limited to (i) voting or providing a written consent or proxy with respect to the Company Shares, (ii) causing the adoption of stockholders' resolutions and amendments to the organizational documents of the Company, (iii) executing agreements and instruments, (iv) making, or causing to be made, with governmental, administrative or regulatory authorities, all filings, registrations or similar actions that are required to achieve such result and (v) causing members of the Board of Directors, subject to any fiduciary duties that such members may have as Directors of the Company (including pursuant to Section 2.1(e)), to act in a certain manner, including causing members of the Board of Directors or any nominating or similar committee of the Board of Directors to recommend the appointment of any Board Designees as provided by this Agreement.

"Person" shall mean an individual, corporation, company, limited liability company, association, partnership, joint venture, organization, business, trust or any other entity or organization.

"Principal Stockholders" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"S+N" shall mean Smith & Nephew, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"S+N Stockholder Designee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(c).

"S+N Director" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

"S+N Stockholders" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"<u>Subsidiary</u>" of any Person means any entity of which securities or other ownership interests having ordinary voting power to elect a majority of the board of directors or other persons performing similar functions are at the time directly or indirectly owned by such Person.

"Transactions" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Underwriting Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

ARTICLE II CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

SECTION 2.1 Board of Directors.

- (a) <u>Composition of Initial Board</u>. As of the Effective Date, the Board of Directors shall be comprised of nine Directors, (i) three of whom shall be deemed to have been designated by the Essex Stockholders (the "<u>Essex Directors</u>"), (ii) two of whom shall be deemed to have been designated by the S+N Stockholders (each, a "<u>S+N Director</u>"), (iii) one of whom shall be the Company's Chief Executive Officer and (iv) three of whom shall meet the requirements for an "independent director" under the rules applicable to The Nasdaq Global Market exchange and be deemed to have been designated by the Board of Directors (the "<u>Independent Directors</u>"). The initial Chairperson of the Board of Directors shall be William A. Hawkins III. The foregoing directors shall be divided into three classes of directors, each of whose members shall serve for staggered three-year terms as follows:
 - (i) the class I directors shall initially include two Essex Directors and one Independent Director;
 - (ii) the class II directors shall initially include one S+N Director and two Independent Directors; and
 - (iii) the class III directors shall initially include one S+N Director, one Essex Director and the Company's Chief Executive Officer.

The initial term of the class I directors shall expire at the first annual meeting of stockholders following the initial registration of the Class A Common Stock pursuant to the Exchange Act. The initial term of the class II directors shall expire at the second annual meeting of stockholders following such registration. The initial term of the class III directors shall expire at the third annual meeting of stockholders following such registration.

The original Essex Stockholder Designees, the S+N Stockholder Designees and the Independent Director designees are set forth on <u>Schedule 3</u> attached hereto.

(b) Essex Stockholder Representation. For so long as the Essex Stockholders hold a number of shares of Common Stock representing at least the percentage of shares of Common Stock held by such Essex Stockholders as of the Closing shown below, each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, agrees with the Company (and only with the Company), and the Company agrees with each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, that it shall use their reasonable best efforts to include in the slate of nominees recommended by the Board for election as Directors at each applicable annual or special meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected, that number of individuals designated by the Essex Stockholders (each, a "Essex Stockholder Designee") that, if elected, will result in the number of Essex Directors serving on the Board of Directors that is shown below.

Percentage	Number of Directors
75% or greater	3
Less than 75% but greater than or equal to 25%	2
Less than 25% but greater than or equal to 10%	1
Less than 10%	0

Upon any decrease in the number of directors that the Essex Stockholders are entitled to designate for election to the Board of Directors, each of the Essex Stockholders, individually and not jointly, agrees with the Company (and only with the Company), and the Company agrees with each of the Essex Stockholders, individually and not jointly, that it shall use their reasonable best efforts to cause the appropriate number of Essex Stockholder Designees to tender his or her resignation. The Essex Stockholder Designee(s) required to tender his or her resignation will be from the class of directors whose term is next expiring. Following such resignation, the Board of Directors (by approval of a majority of the remaining Directors) shall select a replacement Director(s) to serve the remainder of the term of the Essex Stockholder Designee(s) that has resigned (for the avoidance of doubt, the Board of Directors may not select the Essex Stockholder Designee(s) that has resigned).

(c) <u>S+N Stockholder Representation</u>. For so long as the S+N Stockholders hold a number of shares of Common Stock representing at least the percentage of shares of Common Stock held by such S+N Stockholders as of the Closing shown below, each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, <u>agrees with the Company (and only with the Company)</u>, <u>and the Company agrees with each of the Principal Stockholders</u>, individually and not jointly, that it shall use their reasonable best efforts to include in the slate of nominees recommended by the Board for election as Directors at each applicable annual or special meeting of stockholders at which Directors are to be elected that number of individuals designated by the S+N Stockholders (each, a "<u>S+N Stockholder Designee</u>") that, if elected, will result in the number of S+N Directors serving on the Board of Directors that is shown below.

Percentage	Number of Directors
25% or greater	2
Less than 25% but greater than or equal to 10%	1
Less than 10%	0

Upon any decrease in the number of directors that the S+N Stockholders are entitled to designate for election to the Board of Directors, each of S+N Stockholders, individually and not jointly, agrees with the Company (and only with the Company), and the Company agrees with each of the S+N Stockholders, individually and not jointly, that it shall use their reasonable best efforts to cause the appropriate number of S+N Stockholder Designees to tender his or her resignation. The S+N Stockholder Designee(s) required to tender his or her resignation will be from the class of directors whose term is next expiring. Following such resignation, the Board of Directors (by approval of a majority of the remaining Directors) shall select a replacement Director(s) to serve the remainder of the term of the S+N Stockholder Designee(s) that has resigned (for the avoidance of doubt, the Board of Directors may not select the S+N Stockholder Designee(s) that has resigned).

(d) Additional Obligations. An individual designated by a Principal Stockholder for election (including pursuant to Sections 2.1(b) and 2.1(c)) as a Director shall comply with the director qualification requirements of the charter for, and related guidelines of, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and Section 2.6 of the bylaws of the Company (as the same may be amended, modified or restated from time to time, the "Bylaws"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article II, in the event that the Board of Directors determines in good faith, after consultation with outside legal counsel, that its nomination, appointment or election of a particular Board Designee pursuant to this Section 2.1 or Section 2.2 would constitute a breach of its fiduciary duties to the Company's stockholders or does not otherwise comply with any of the director qualification requirements of the charter for, or related guidelines of, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee or Section 2.6 of the Bylaws (provided that any such determination with respect to any Board Designee pursuant to this Section 2.1 shall be made no later than sixty (60) days after such individual's nomination, in which case the

Board of Directors shall inform such Principal Stockholder of such determination in writing and explain in reasonable detail the basis for such determination and the Principal Stockholder shall designate another individual for nomination, election or appointment to the Board of Directors by such Principal Stockholder (subject in each case to this Section 2.1(d)), and the Board of Directors and the Company shall take all of the actions required by this Article II with respect to the election of such substitute Board Designee. It is hereby acknowledged and agreed, that the fact that a particular Board Designee is an Affiliate, director, professional, partner, member, manager, employee or agent of a Principal Stockholder or is not an independent director shall not in and of itself constitute an acceptable basis for such determination by the Board of Directors.

- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, if the number of Independent Directors are insufficient to satisfy the independence requirements of The Nasdaq Global Market rules and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, the Board of Directors shall take the Necessary Action to increase the size of the Board of Directors to the minimum number of Directors needed to comply with such requirements.
- (f) <u>Vacancies</u>. Except as provided in <u>Sections 2.1(b)</u> and <u>2.1(c)</u>, as applicable, with respect to decreases in stock ownership of the Principal Stockholders, (i) each Principal Stockholder shall have the exclusive right to request the removal of its Board Designees from the Board of Directors (whether for or without cause), and each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, <u>agrees with the Company (and only with the Company)</u>, and the Company agrees with each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, that it shall take all Necessary Action to cause the removal (whether for or without cause) of any such Board Designee at the request of the designating Principal Stockholder and (ii) each Principal Stockholder shall have the exclusive right to designate directors for election to the Board of Directors to fill vacancies (for the remainder of the then current term) created by reason of death, disability, removal or resignation of its Board Designees to the Board of Directors, and each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, <u>agrees with the Company (and only with the Company)</u>, and the <u>Company agrees with each of the Principal Stockholders</u>, individually and not jointly, that it shall take all Necessary Action to cause any such vacancies to be filled by replacement directors designated by such designating Principal Stockholder as promptly as reasonably practicable.

SECTION 2.2 Committees.

(a) Each of the Essex Stockholders, individually and not jointly, <u>agrees with the Company</u> (and only with the Company), and the Company agrees with each of the Essex Stockholders, individually and not jointly, that the Essex Stockholders shall have, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, subject to Nasdaq Global Market rules and in compliance with other applicable laws, rules and regulations, and subject to the requirements of the charter for the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, the right, but not the obligation, to designate one (1) member of each committee of the Board of Directors (other than the audit committee) for so long as the Essex Stockholders have the ability pursuant to Section 2.1 to designate for nomination at least one (1) Board Designee.

- (b) Each of the S+N Stockholders, individually and not jointly, agrees with the Company (and only with the Company), and the Company agrees with each of the S+N Stockholders, individually and not jointly, that the S+N Stockholders shall have, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, subject to Nasdaq Global Market rules and in compliance with other applicable laws, rules and regulations, and subject to the requirements of the charter for the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, the right, but not the obligation, to designate one (1) member of each committee of the Board of Directors (other than the audit committee) for so long as the S+N Stockholders have the ability pursuant to Section 2.1 to designate for nomination at least one (1) Board Designee.
- (c) The audit committee of the Board of Directors shall initially be Susan M. Stalnecker, Philip G. Cowdy and David J. Parker. Upon any resignation or removal of a member of the audit committee of the Board of Directors, a new member shall be designated by the Board of Directors, subject to Nasdaq Global Market rules and in compliance with other applicable laws, rules and regulations, and subject to the requirements of the charter for the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and/or the charter for the Audit Committee.
- (d) The compliance committee of the Board of Directors shall initially be William A. Hawkins and Susan M. Stalnecker. Upon any resignation or removal of a member of the compliance committee of the Board of Directors, a new member shall be designated by the Board of Directors, subject to Nasdaq Global Market rules and in compliance with other applicable laws, rules and regulations, and subject to the requirements of the charter for the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and/or the charter for the Compliance Committee.

SECTION 2.3 <u>Voting Agreement</u>. Each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, agrees with the Company (and only with the Company), and the Company agrees with each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, in person or by proxy, to cast all votes to which such Principal Stockholder is entitled in respect of its Company Shares, whether at any annual or special meeting, by written consent or otherwise, so as to cause to be elected to the Board of Directors those individuals designated in accordance with Section 2.1 and to otherwise effect the intent of this Article II.

SECTION 2.4 <u>Approvals</u>. Except in accordance with Section 2.1(e), each of the Essex Stockholders and S+N Stockholders, individually and not jointly, agrees with the Company (and only with the Company), and the Company agrees with each of the Essex Stockholders and S+N Stockholders, individually and not jointly, that the Company shall not take any of the following actions without the approval of the Essex Stockholders and the S+N Stockholders so long as the Essex Stockholders and the S+N Stockholders (as applicable) have the ability pursuant to Section 2.1 to designate for nomination at least one Board Designee:

(a) increase or decrease the size of the Board of Directors or any committee; or

(b) amend any of the organizational documents of the Company, including but not limited to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws.

SECTION 2.5 <u>Agreement of Company and Bioventus LLC</u>. Each of the Company and Bioventus LLC hereby agrees that it will take all Necessary Actions within its control to cause the matters addressed by this Article II to be carried out in accordance with the provisions thereof.

SECTION 2.6 Restrictions on Other Agreements. Each of the Principal Stockholders, individually and not jointly, agrees with the Company (and only with the Company) that it shall not grant any proxy or enter into or agree to be bound by any voting trust, agreement or arrangement of any kind with any Person with respect to its Company Shares if and to the extent the terms thereof conflict with the provisions of this Agreement (whether or not such proxy, voting trust, agreements or arrangements are with other Principal Stockholders, holders of Company Shares that are not parties to this Agreement or otherwise).

ARTICLE III REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Each party hereby represents and warrants severally and not jointly to each other party to this Agreement that as of the date such party executes this Agreement:

SECTION 3.1 Existence; Authority; Enforceability. Such party has the power and authority, corporate or otherwise, to enter into this Agreement and to carry out its obligations hereunder. If such party is an entity, it is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization, and the execution and delivery of this Agreement, and the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein, have been authorized by all necessary action, and no other act or proceeding on its part is necessary to authorize the execution of this Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly executed by such party and constitutes such party's legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, or by the general principles of equity. No representation is made by any party with respect to the regulatory effect of this Agreement, and such party has had an opportunity to consult with counsel as to such party's rights and responsibilities under this Agreement. No party makes any representation to any other party as to future law or regulation or the future interpretation of existing laws or regulations by any Governmental Authority or self-regulatory organization.

SECTION 3.2 <u>Absence of Conflicts</u>. The execution and delivery by such party of this Agreement and the performance of such party's obligations hereunder does not and will not (i) conflict with, or result in the breach of, any provision of the organizational documents of such party, if any; (ii) result in any violation, breach, conflict, default or event of default (or an event which with notice, lapse of time, or both, would constitute a default or event of default), or give rise to any right of acceleration or termination or any additional payment obligation, under the terms of any material contract or agreement to which such party is a party or by which such party's assets or operations are bound or affected; or (iii) violate any law applicable to such party.

SECTION 3.3 <u>Consents</u>. Other than any consents which have already been obtained, no consent, waiver, approval, authorization, registration, license or declaration is required to be made or obtained by such party in connection with the execution, delivery or performance of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 4.1 <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force and effect upon (a) a Principal Stockholder, upon such Principal Stockholder ceasing to have the ability pursuant to Section 2.1 to designate for nomination at least one Board Designee, or (b) the written agreement of the Principal Stockholders to terminate this Agreement.

SECTION 4.2 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>; Beneficiaries. Except as otherwise provided herein, all of the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon, shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable by the respective successors and permitted assigns of the parties hereto. This Agreement may not be assigned without the express prior written consent of the other parties hereto, and any attempted assignment, without such consents, will be null and void; <u>provided</u> that each Principal Stockholder (from time to time party hereto) shall be entitled to assign (solely in connection with a transfer of Common Stock or LLC Interests) to any of its Affiliates, without such prior written consent, any of its rights and obligations hereunder; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that any Person (other than an Affiliate) to which a Principal Stockholder (from time to time party hereto) transfers such Common Stock or LLC Interests shall not be bound by the obligations hereunder and shall not be entitled to the rights hereunder, including pursuant to <u>Sections 2.1(b)</u>, <u>2.1(c)</u>, <u>2.1(d)</u> and <u>2.1(f)</u> or otherwise.

SECTION 4.3 <u>FIRPTA Statement</u>. The Company shall, from time to time upon the reasonable request of a Principal Stockholder pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.897-2(h)(1), provide a statement to such Principal Stockholder, satisfying the requirements of Treasury Regulations Section 1.897-2(h), stating whether the Class A Common Stock constitutes a U.S. real property interest.

SECTION 4.4 <u>Amendment and Modification; Waiver of Compliance</u>. (a) This Agreement may be amended only by a written instrument duly executed by the Company and the Principal Stockholders.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any failure of any of the parties to comply with any obligation, covenant, agreement or condition herein may be waived by the party entitled to the benefits thereof only by a written instrument signed by the party granting such waiver, but such waiver or failure to insist upon strict compliance with such obligation, covenant, agreement or condition shall not operate as a waiver of, or estoppel with respect to, any subsequent or other failure; provided that the Company shall not be entitled to waive the obligations to the Company of each Principal Stockholder in Article 2.

SECTION 4.5 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice, request, claim, demand, document and other communication hereunder to any party shall be effective upon receipt (or refusal of receipt) and

shall be in writing and delivered personally or sent by email or first class mail, or by Federal Express, United Parcel Service or other similar courier or other similar means of communication, as follows:

- (i) If to the S+N Stockholders, addressed to Smith & Nephew, Inc., 7135 Goodlett Farms, Cordova, Tennessee 38106, Attention: Chief Legal and Compliance Officer (company.secretary@smith-nephew.com), with a copy to Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10017, Attn: Harold Birnbaum; and
- (ii) If to the Essex Stockholders, addressed to (a) EW Healthcare Partners, 21 Waterway Avenue, Suite 225, The Woodlands, Texas 77380, Attention: Richard Kolodziejcyk (rkolodziejcyk@ewhealthcare.com), (b) Spindletop Healthcare Capital, LP, 11401 Century Oak Terrace, Suite 410, Austin, Texas 78731, Attn: Evan Melrose (evan@spindletopcapital.com) (c) Pantheon Global Co-Investment Opportunities Fund L.P., 600 Montgomery Street, 23rd Floor, San Francisco, California 94111, Attn: Jeffrey Miller (jeffrey.miller@pantheon.com) (d) Ampersand Capital Partners, 55 William Street, Suite 240, Wellesley, Massachusetts 02481, Attn: Dana Niles (dln@ampersandcapital.com) and (e) Alta Partners, One Embarcadero Center, 37th Floor, San Francisco, California 94111, Attn: Larry Randall (finance@altapartners.com) with a copy to Reed Smith LLP, 599 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, Attn: Mark Pedretti (MPedretti@ReedSmith.com).

or, in each case, to such other address or email address as such party may designate in writing to each Principal Stockholder by written notice given in the manner specified herein.

All such communications shall be deemed to have been given, delivered or made when so delivered by hand or sent by email (with confirmed transmission), on the next Business Day if sent by overnight courier service (with confirmed delivery) or when received if sent by first class mail.

SECTION 4.6 <u>Specific Performance</u>. Each party hereto, individually and not jointly, acknowledges and agrees that in the event of any breach of this Agreement by any of them, the other parties hereto would be irreparably harmed and could not be made whole by monetary damages. Each party, individually and not jointly, accordingly agrees to waive the defense in any action for specific performance that a remedy at law would be adequate and agrees that the parties, in addition to any other remedy to which they may be entitled at law or in equity, shall be entitled to specific performance of this Agreement without the posting of bond. The Company hereby agrees with each Principal Stockholder, severally and not jointly, that it will enforce the provisions of this Agreement (including without limitation the provisions of Article 2) against any other Principal Stockholder in breach of any such provisions.

SECTION 4.7 Entire Agreement. The provisions of this Agreement and the other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto which form a part hereof contain the entire agreement among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior oral and written agreements and memoranda and undertakings among the parties hereto with regard to such subject matter.

SECTION 4.8 <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application of such provision to any Person or circumstance or in any jurisdiction, shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable to any extent (or the principal exchange on which the Class A Common Stock are traded determines that the existence or application of a provision of this Agreement will threaten the continued listing of the Class A Common Stock on such principal exchange), (i) the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each other provision hereof shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law (or the rules of the principal exchange on which the Class A Common Stock are traded, as applicable), (ii) as to such Person or circumstance or in such jurisdiction such provision shall be reformed to be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law (or the rules of the principal exchange on which the Class A Common Stock are traded, as applicable) and (iii) the application of such provision to other Persons or circumstances or in other jurisdictions shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 4.9 <u>CHOICE OF LAW AND VENUE</u>; <u>WAIVER OF RIGHT TO JURY TRIAL</u>. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, CONSTRUED, APPLIED AND ENFORCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IN THE EVENT OF ANY BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT, THE NON-BREACHING PARTY WOULD BE IRREPARABLY HARMED AND COULD NOT BE MADE WHOLE BY MONETARY DAMAGES, AND THAT, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER REMEDY TO WHICH THEY MAY BE ENTITLED AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, THE PARTIES SHALL BE ENTITLED TO SUCH EQUITABLE OR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE. THE CHOICE OF FORUM SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO PRECLUDE THE ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT OF A DELAWARE FEDERAL OR STATE COURT, OR THE TAKING OF ANY ACTION UNDER THIS AGREEMENT TO ENFORCE SUCH A JUDGMENT, IN ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE EVENT ANY PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT COMMENCES ANY LITIGATION, PROCEEDING OR OTHER LEGAL ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY RELATED AGREEMENT OR ANY MATTERS DESCRIBED OR CONTEMPLATED HEREIN OR THEREIN, THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT HEREBY (1) AGREE UNDER ALL CIRCUMSTANCES ABSOLUTELY AND IRREVOCABLY TO SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT OF CHANCERY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, OR IF (AND ONLY IF) SUCH COURT FINDS IT LACKS SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION, THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (COMPLEX COMMERCIAL DIVISION), OR IF UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OVER THE MATTER THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE ACTION OR PROCEEDING IS VESTED EXCLUSIVELY IN THE FEDERAL COURTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE, AND APPELLATE COURTS FROM ANY THEREOF, WITH RESPECT TO ALL ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY (2) AGREE THAT IN THE EVENT OF ANY SUCH LITIGATION, PROCEEDING OR ACTION, SUCH PARTIES WILL CONSENT AND SUBMIT TO THE PERSONAL JURISDICTION OF ANY SUCH COURT DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION 4.8 AND TO SERVICE OF PROCESS UPON THEM IN ACCORDANCE

WITH THE RULES AND STATUTES GOVERNING SERVICE OF PROCESS; (3) AGREE TO WAIVE TO THE FULL EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW ANY OBJECTION THAT THEY MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE VENUE OF ANY SUCH LITIGATION, PROCEEDING OR ACTION IN ANY SUCH COURT OR THAT ANY SUCH LITIGATION, PROCEEDING OR ACTION WAS BROUGHT IN ANY INCONVENIENT FORUM; (4) AGREE TO WAIVE ANY RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL TO RESOLVE ANY DISPUTES OR CLAIMS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT; (5) AGREE TO SERVICE OF PROCESS IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING BY MAILING OF COPIES THEREOF TO SUCH PARTY AT ITS ADDRESS SET FORTH HEREIN FOR COMMUNICATIONS TO SUCH PARTY; (6) AGREE THAT ANY SERVICE MADE AS PROVIDED HEREIN SHALL BE EFFECTIVE AND BINDING SERVICE IN EVERY RESPECT; AND (7) AGREE THAT NOTHING HEREIN SHALL AFFECT THE RIGHTS OF ANY PARTY TO EFFECT SERVICE OF PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY LAW.

SECTION 4.10 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

SECTION 4.11 <u>Further Assurances</u>. At any time or from time to time after the date hereof, the parties hereto agree to cooperate with each other, and at the request of any other party, to execute and deliver any further instruments or documents and to take all such further action as any other party may reasonably request in order to evidence or effectuate the provisions of this Agreement and to otherwise carry out the intent of the parties hereunder.

SECTION 4.12 <u>Schedule 13 Filings</u>. In accordance with the requirements of Rule 13d-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "<u>Exchange Act</u>"), and subject to the limitations set forth therein, each Principal Stockholder that is required to file pursuant to the Exchange Act a Schedule 13D or Schedule 13G, as applicable, agrees to file such schedule no later than the time period prescribed by the applicable rules of the Exchange Act following the Effective Date.

SECTION 4.13 <u>Effectiveness of Agreement</u>. Upon the Closing, the Agreement shall thereupon be deemed to be effective (such date, the "<u>Effective Date</u>"). However, to the extent the Closing does not occur, the provisions of this Agreement shall be without any force or effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has signed this Stockholders Agreement as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:

BIOVENTUS INC.

By: /s/ Kenneth M. Reali
Name: Kenneth M. Reali
Title: Chief Executive Officer

BIOVENTUS LLC:

By: /s/ Kenneth M. Reali
Name: Kenneth M. Reali
Title: Chief Executive Officer

S+N STOCKHOLDERS:

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.

By: /s/ Catheryn A. O'Rourke

Name: Catheryn A. O'Rourke

Title: Director

SMITH & NEPHEW (EUROPE) B.V.

By: /s/ J.A.D.J. Lindeman
Name: J.A.D.J. Lindeman

Title: Director

By: /s/ Antoine Vidts

Name: Antoine Vidts
Title: Director

ESSEX STOCKHOLDERS:

EW HEALTHCARE PARTNERS ACQUISITION FUND, L.P.

By: EW Healthcare Partners Acquisition Fund GP, L.P.

Its: General Partner

By: EW Healthcare Partners Acquisition Funds UGP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Martin P. Sutter
Name: Martin P. Sutter
Title: Manager

WHITE PINE MEDICAL LLC

By: /s/ Martin P. Sutter
Name: Martin P. Sutter
Title: Manager

SPINDLETOP HEALTHCARE CAPITAL L.P.

By: /s/ Evan Melrose
Name: Evan Melrose
Title: Managing Director

PANTHEON GLOBAL CO-INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES FUND L.P.

By: /s/ Jeffrey Miller
Name: Jeffrey Miller
Title: Managing Director

AMP-CF HOLDINGS, LLC

By: /s/ Dana L. Niles
Name: Dana L. Niles

Title: Chief Operating Officer

ALTA PARTNERS VIII, L.P.

By: /s/ Guy Nohra

Name: Guy Nohra
Title: Managing Director

SCHEDULE 1

ESSEX STOCKHOLDERS

EW Healthcare Partners Acquisition Fund, L.P.

White Pine Medical LLC

Spindletop Healthcare Capital L.P.

Pantheon Global Co-Investment Opportunities Fund L.P.

AMP-CF Holdings, LLC

Alta Partners VIII, L.P.

SCHEDULE 2

S+N STOCKHOLDERS

Smith & Nephew, Inc.

Smith & Nephew (Europe) B.V.

SCHEDULE 3

ORIGINAL DESIGNEES

Essex Directors:

Designee:ClassGuido J. NeelsClass IDavid J. ParkerClass IMartin P. SutterClass III

S+N Directors:

 $\begin{array}{c} \underline{\text{Designee:}} \\ \overline{\text{Designee}} \text{ to be elected by} \end{array} \qquad \frac{\underline{\text{Class}}}{\overline{\text{Class II}}}$

the S+N Stockholders at

a future date

Philip G. Cowdy Class III

Independent Directors:

Designee:
Guy P. NohraClass
Class IWilliam A. HawkinsClass IISusan M. StalneckerClass II