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#### **BIOLASE, INC.**

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

# TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

#### TO OUR STOCKHOLDERS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of stockholders (the *Special Meeting*) of BIOLASE, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Company*, *we*, *us* or *our*), will be held on September 21, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. local time at the Company s corporate headquarters, located at 4 Cromwell, Irvine, California 92618. At the Special Meeting, you will be asked to vote on the following matters described in the accompanying proxy materials:

- 1. to amend the BIOLASE, Inc. 2018 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2018 Plan) to increase the number of shares of our common stock available for issuance under the 2018 Plan from 2,035,287 shares to 3,271,101 shares (the Plan Amendment Proposal);
- 2. to approve the adjournment of the Special Meeting, if necessary, in the reasonable discretion of the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company, to solicit additional proxies if there are insufficient votes at the time of the Special Meeting to approve the Plan Amendment Proposal (the *Adjournment Proposal*); and
- 3. to transact other such business as may properly come before the Special Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Our Board of Directors unanimously recommends that our stockholders vote **FOR** the Plan Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal. Stockholders of record at the close of business on August 24, 2018 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Special Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof. All stockholders are cordially invited to attend the Special Meeting in person.

## YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

Whether or not you plan to attend the Special Meeting, <u>please vote via the Internet or by telephone or sign and return the enclosed proxy card as promptly as possible</u>. If you receive more than one proxy card because your shares are registered in different names or addresses, each proxy card should be signed and returned (or you should use each proxy card to vote by Internet or by telephone) to assure that all of your shares are represented at the meeting. Proxies forwarded by or for banks, brokers or other nominees should be returned as requested by them. The prompt return of proxies will save the expense involved in further communication.

You can find detailed information regarding voting in the section entitled Voting Procedures on page 2 of the accompanying proxy statement.

# IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

The proxy statement for the Special Meeting is available at www.biolase.com.

**BIOLASE, INC.** 

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael C. Carroll

Corporate Secretary

Irvine, California August 24, 2018

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## **BIOLASE, INC.**

#### 4 Cromwell

Irvine, California 92618

#### SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

## TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

## PROXY STATEMENT

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

This proxy statement is furnished to stockholders of BIOLASE, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Company*, *we*, *our* or *us*), in connection with the solicitation of proxies by our Board of Directors (our *Board*) for use at a special meeting of stockholders to be held on September 21, 2018, and at any adjournment or postponement thereof (the *Special Meeting*). The Special Meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. local time at our corporate headquarters located at 4 Cromwell, Irvine, California 92618. This proxy statement and the accompanying proxy card are first being sent to stockholders on or about August 24, 2018. Our stockholders will be asked to vote on the following proposals:

- 1. to amend the BIOLASE, Inc. 2018 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2018 Plan) to increase the number of shares of our common stock available for issuance under the 2018 Plan from 2,035,287 shares to 3,271,101 shares (the Plan Amendment Proposal);
- 2. to approve the adjournment of the Special Meeting, if necessary, in the reasonable discretion of the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company, to solicit additional proxies if there are insufficient votes at the time of the Special Meeting to approve the Plan Amendment Proposal (the *Adjournment Proposal*); and
- 3. to transact other such business as may properly come before the Special Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

## RECORD DATE AND QUORUM REQUIREMENTS

The close of business on August 24, 2018 has been fixed as the record date (the *Record Date*) for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Special Meeting. Our common stock is the only class of securities entitled to vote at the Special Meeting. As of the Record Date, 20,596,901 shares of our common stock were issued and outstanding. Each outstanding share of our common stock will be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the holders of our common stock at the Special Meeting.

The holders of a majority of the shares of our common stock outstanding on the Record Date, present in person or represented by proxy, will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Special Meeting and at any adjournment or postponement thereof. Any abstentions will be deemed as present for purposes of determining a quorum.

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## **VOTING PROCEDURES**

## **Voting in Person**

If you attend the Special Meeting and plan to vote in person, we will provide you with a ballot at the Special Meeting. If your shares are registered directly in your name, you are considered the stockholder of record, and you have the right to vote in person at the Special Meeting. If you hold your shares via a broker, bank or other nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name. As a beneficial owner, if you wish to vote at the Special Meeting, you will need to bring to the Special Meeting a legal proxy from your broker, bank or other nominee authorizing you to vote those shares.

#### **Shares Held in Street Name**

If you hold your shares in street name via a broker, bank or other nominee, you may direct your vote without attending the Special Meeting by signing, dating and mailing your voting instruction card in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Internet or telephonic voting may also be available. Please see your voting instruction card for instructions.

# **Mail Voting Procedures**

To vote by mail, you should complete, sign and date your proxy card and mail it in the pre-addressed postage-paid envelope that accompanies the proxy card. A proxy card submitted by mail must be received at least one business day prior to the date of the Special Meeting.

#### **Telephone Voting Procedures**

The telephone authorization procedure is designed to authenticate identity to allow you to vote your shares and confirm that your instructions have been properly recorded. Specific instructions to be followed are set forth on the enclosed proxy card. Telephone voting facilities for stockholders of record are available 24 hours a day and will close at 1:00 a.m. Central Time on the day of the Special Meeting.

## **Internet Voting Procedures**

The Internet authorization procedure is designed to authenticate identity to allow you to vote your shares and confirm that your instructions have been properly recorded. Specific instructions to be followed are set forth on the enclosed proxy card. Internet voting facilities for stockholders of record are available 24 hours a day and will close at 1:00 a.m. Central Time on the day of the Special Meeting.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT PROXY MATERIALS AND VOTING

# Q. Why am I receiving these materials?

A. We sent you this proxy statement because our Board is soliciting your proxy to vote at the Special Meeting. This proxy statement summarizes the information you need to vote at the Special Meeting. You do not need to attend the Special Meeting to vote your shares. Please see the procedures for voting your shares by mail, Internet or telephone under Voting Procedures above and refer to the instructions on your proxy card.

# Q. Who is entitled to vote?

A. Stockholders of record at the close of business on the Record Date are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Special Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. As of the Record Date, 20,596,901 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, were outstanding. Each stockholder is entitled to one vote for each share of our common stock held by such stockholder on the Record Date. No shares of our preferred stock were outstanding on the Record Date.

#### Q. What proposals will be voted on at the Special Meeting?

- A. Stockholders will vote on the following at the Special Meeting:
  - 1. the Plan Amendment Proposal;
  - 2. the Adjournment Proposal; and
  - 3. any other business that may properly come before the Special Meeting.

#### Q. How does our Board recommend that stockholders vote on the proposals?

A. Our Board recommends a vote **FOR** the approval of the Plan Amendment Proposal and **FOR** the approval of the Adjournment Proposal.

#### Q. How can I vote my shares?

#### A. By Attending the Special Meeting

If you are a holder of record of shares of our common stock as of the close of business on the Record Date, you may attend the Special Meeting and vote your shares in person. Please note that if your shares are held of record by a bank, broker or other nominee, and you decide to attend the Special Meeting, you may not vote in person at the Special Meeting unless you present a legal proxy, issued in your name from the record holder (your bank, broker or other nominee).

#### By Mail, Internet or Telephone

If you are a holder of record of shares of our common stock as of the close of business on the Record Date, you may direct your vote by mail, Internet or telephone. Please see the procedures for voting your shares by mail, Internet or telephone under Voting Procedures above and refer to the instructions on your proxy card.

If as of the close of business on the Record Date you hold your shares in street name via a broker, bank or other nominee, you may direct your vote without attending the Special Meeting by signing, dating and mailing your voting instruction card in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Internet or telephonic voting may also be available. Please see your voting instruction card for instructions.

# Q. What do I need for admission to the Special Meeting?

A. Admittance is limited to stockholders of the Company. If you are the stockholder of record as of the close of business on the Record Date, your name will be verified against the list of stockholders prior to your

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admittance to the Special Meeting. You should be prepared to present photo identification for admission at the Special Meeting. If you hold your shares in street name, you should provide proof of beneficial ownership on the Record Date, such as a brokerage account statement showing that you owned shares of our common stock as of the Record Date, a copy of the voting instruction card provided by your broker, bank or other nominee or other similar evidence of ownership as of the Record Date, as well as your photo identification, for your admission. If you do not provide photo identification or comply with the other procedures outlined above upon request, you will not be admitted to the Special Meeting.

#### Q. Can I change my vote or revoke my proxy?

A. You may change your vote or revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted at the Special Meeting. If you are a stockholder of record, you may change your vote or revoke your proxy by:

delivering to us (Attention: Corporate Secretary) at the address on the first page of this proxy statement a written notice of revocation of your proxy;

delivering to us an authorized proxy bearing a later date (including a proxy over the Internet or by telephone); or

attending the Special Meeting and voting in person. Attendance at the Special Meeting will not, by itself, revoke a proxy.

If your shares are held in the name of a bank, broker or other nominee, you may change your vote by submitting new voting instructions to your bank, broker or other nominee. Please note that if your shares are held of record by a bank, broker or other nominee, and you decide to attend and vote at the Special Meeting, your vote in person at the Special Meeting will not be effective unless you present a legal proxy, issued in your name from the record holder (your bank, broker or other nominee).

## Q. What constitutes a quorum?

A. The presence at the Special Meeting, either in person or represented by proxy, of holders of a majority of the aggregate number of shares of our issued and outstanding common stock entitled to vote thereat shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Special Meeting. Shares represented by properly completed proxy cards marked **FOR**, **AGAINST** or **ABSTAIN** or returned without voting instructions are counted as present for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present.

## Q. What is the impact if I abstain from voting?

A. Abstentions with respect to a proposal are counted for the purposes of establishing a quorum. Since an affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote is required to approve the Plan Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal, a properly executed proxy card marked **ABSTAIN** with respect to any proposal will have the same effect as voting **AGAINST** that proposal.

#### Q. Will there be any broker non-votes?

A. No. Brokers and other intermediaries holding shares of our common stock in street name for their customers are generally required to vote such shares in the manner directed by their customers. If their customers do not give any direction, brokers may vote such shares on routine matters but not on any non-routine matters. The Plan Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal are non-routine matters. Consequently, if a customer does not give any direction, brokers will not be permitted to vote such customer s shares of common stock at the Special Meeting and such shares will not be counted as present for purposes of establishing a quorum at the Special Meeting. We encourage you to submit your voting instructions to your broker to ensure your shares of common stock are voted at the Special Meeting.

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## Q. How many votes are needed to approve the Plan Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal?

A. The Plan Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal will be approved if a majority of the shares of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on such proposal vote at the Special Meeting **FOR** such proposal.

# Q. What is the deadline for submitting a proxy by stockholders of record?

A. To ensure that proxies are received in time to be counted prior to the Special Meeting, proxies submitted by Internet or by telephone should be received by 1:00 a.m. Central Time on the day of the Special Meeting (or if the Special Meeting is adjourned, by 1:00 a.m. Central Time on the day on which the Special Meeting is reconvened), and proxies submitted by mail should be received by the close of business on the day prior to the date of the Special Meeting.

#### Q. What does it mean if I receive more than one proxy card?

A. If you hold your shares in more than one account, you will receive a proxy card for each account. To ensure that all of your shares are voted, please complete, sign, date and return a proxy card for each account or use the proxy card for each account to vote by Internet or by telephone. To ensure that all of your shares are represented at the Special Meeting, we recommend that you vote every proxy card that you receive.

## Q. How will my shares be voted if I return a blank proxy card or a blank voting instruction card?

A. If you are a holder of record of shares of our common stock and you sign and return a proxy card without giving specific voting instructions, your shares will be voted:

**FOR** the approval of the Plan Amendment Proposal; and

## **FOR** the approval of the Adjournment Proposal.

If you hold your shares in street name via a broker, bank or other nominee and return a signed but blank voting instruction card (and do not otherwise provide the broker, bank or other nominee with voting instructions), your shares will not be counted in connection with the Plan Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal or any other non-routine matters that are properly presented at the Special Meeting.

Our Board knows of no matter to be presented at the Special Meeting other than the Plan Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal. If any other matters properly come before the Special Meeting upon which a vote properly may be taken, shares represented by all proxies received by us on the proxy card will be voted with respect thereto as permitted and in accordance with the judgment of the proxy holders.

# Q. Where can I find the voting results of the Special Meeting?

A. We will publish the final results in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the *SEC*) within four business days of the Special Meeting.

# Q. Who is making this solicitation?

A. This proxy solicitation is being made on behalf of our Board.

## Q. Who will bear the costs of this solicitation?

A. We will bear the entire cost of solicitation, including the preparation, assembly, printing and mailing of this proxy statement, the proxy card and any additional solicitation materials we furnish to our stockholders.

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Copies of the Company s solicitation materials will be furnished to brokerage houses, fiduciaries and custodians holding shares in their names that are beneficially owned by others so that they may forward this solicitation material to such beneficial owners. Upon request, we will reimburse such persons for their costs in forwarding such solicitation materials to such beneficial owners.

## Q. Will a stockholder list be available for inspection?

A. In accordance with Delaware law, a list of stockholders entitled to vote at the Special Meeting will be available at the Special Meeting and, for 10 days prior to the Special Meeting, at our corporate headquarters located at 4 Cromwell, Irvine, California 92618 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

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## PROPOSAL ONE: PLAN AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

# THE AMENDMENT OF THE BIOLASE, INC. 2018 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

At the Special Meeting, our stockholders will be asked to approve an amendment to the BIOLASE, Inc. 2018 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2018 Plan), which would increase the number of shares of our common stock available for issuance under the 2018 Plan by 1,235,814 shares. Our stockholders approved the 2018 Plan on May 9, 2018. Subject to the terms and conditions of the 2018 Plan, the number of shares authorized for grants under the 2018 Plan (as approved by our stockholders) is 2,035,287, which is equal to 2,120,547 (10,602,736, as adjusted for the Company s reverse stock split effectuated on May 10, 2018 (the *Reverse Stock Split*)), reduced by 85,260, which is the number of shares subject to awards granted under the BIOLASE, Inc. 2002 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, on or after March 1, 2018, as adjusted for the Reverse Stock Split.

On August 3, 2018, our Board approved the first amendment to the 2018 Plan (the *Amendment*), subject to stockholder approval at the Special Meeting, to increase the number of shares available for issuance under the 2018 Plan by 1,235,814 shares of common stock to 3,271,101 shares. Of that amount, approximately 1,423,088 shares (187,274 shares available for grant as of August 24, 2018 plus 1,235,814 shares being requested under this proposal) would be available for new awards, not including any shares that would become available again upon the expiration, termination, cancellation, cash settlement or forfeiture of certain previously-issued awards, as described below.

Also on August 7, 2018, in connection with the appointment of Todd A. Norbe as the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, the Compensation Committee of our Board approved the award of 350,000 stock-settled time-based restricted stock units ( *RSUs* ) and 300,000 stock-settled performance-based RSUs, in each case, subject to stockholder approval of the Amendment. For additional information regarding these awards, please see the New Plan Benefits and Historical Equity Awards section below.

#### **Plan Highlights**

The purposes of the 2018 Plan are to:

align the interests of our stockholders and recipients of awards under the 2018 Plan by increasing the proprietary interest of such recipients in the Company s growth and success;

advance the interests of the Company by attracting and retaining non-employee directors, officers, other employees, consultants, independent contractors and agents; and

motivate such persons to act in the long-term best interests of the Company and our stockholders. Under the 2018 Plan, the Company may grant:

non-qualified stock options;

incentive stock options  $\,$  (within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code (the  $\,$  Code  $\,$  );

stock appreciation rights ( SARs );

restricted stock, RSUs or other stock awards ( Stock Awards ); and

performance awards.

As of August 24, 2018, approximately 10 officers, 194 employees and 4 non-employee directors are eligible to participate in the 2018 Plan if selected for participation by the Compensation Committee of our Board.

Some of the key features of the 2018 Plan include:

The 2018 Plan is administered by a committee of our Board, comprised entirely of independent directors;

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Stock options and SARs granted under the 2018 Plan may not be repriced without stockholder approval other than in connection with a change in control or adjustments described in the 2018 Plan;

Under the 2018 Plan, the maximum number of shares of our common stock originally available for awards was 2,120,547, other than substitute awards granted in connection with a corporate transaction, reduced by the number of shares granted under the BIOLASE, Inc. 2002 Stock Incentive Plan or any other equity plan maintained by the Company that was outstanding as of the effective date of the 2018 Plan (each, a *Prior Plan*) on or after March 1, 2018 and, if approved by our stockholders, the Amendment would increase the shares available under the 2018 Plan by 1,235,814 shares to 3,271,101 shares;

The exercise price of stock options and the base price for SARs granted under the 2018 Plan may not be less than the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the date of grant, subject to certain exceptions for substitute awards granted in connection with a corporate transaction;

The 2018 Plan prohibits the grant of dividend equivalents with respect to stock options and SARs and subjects all dividends and dividend equivalents paid with respect to Stock Awards or performance awards to the same vesting conditions as the underlying awards;

The 2018 Plan does not contain a liberal change in control definition; and

The 2018 Plan provides that awards and any cash payment or shares of our common stock delivered pursuant to an award are subject to forfeiture, recovery by the Company or other action pursuant to the applicable award agreement or any clawback or recoupment policy that the Company may adopt from time to time.

# **Description of the Amended 2018 Plan**

The following description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the 2018 Plan, as proposed to be amended by the Amendment (the *Amended 2018 Plan*). Copies of the 2018 Plan and the Amendment are attached to this proxy statement as Appendix A and Appendix B, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

#### Administration

The Amended 2018 Plan will be administered by a committee designated by our Board (the *Plan Committee*), consisting of two or more members of our Board, each of whom may be (i) a non-employee director within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the *Exchange Act*), and (ii) independent within the meaning of the rules of the NASDAQ Capital Market or, if our common stock is not listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market, within the meaning of the rules of the principal stock exchange on which our common stock is then traded. The Compensation Committee of our Board administers the 2018 Plan.

Subject to the express provisions of the Amended 2018 Plan, the Plan Committee will have the authority to select eligible persons to receive awards and determine all of the terms and conditions of each award. All awards will be evidenced by an agreement containing such provisions not inconsistent with the Amended 2018 Plan as the Plan Committee will approve. The Plan Committee will also have authority to establish rules and regulations for

administering the Amended 2018 Plan and to decide questions of interpretation or application of any provision of the Amended 2018 Plan. The Plan Committee may, in its sole discretion and for any reason at any time, take action such that (i) any or all outstanding stock options and SARs will become exercisable in part or in full, (ii) all or a portion of a restriction period on any award will lapse, (iii) all or a portion of any performance period applicable to any award will lapse and (iv) any performance measures applicable to any outstanding award will be deemed satisfied at target, maximum or any other level.

The Plan Committee may delegate some or all of its power and authority under the Amended 2018 Plan to our Board (or any members thereof) or, subject to applicable law, a subcommittee of our Board, a member of our

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Board, the President and Chief Executive Officer or other executive officer of the Company as the Plan Committee deems appropriate, except that it may not delegate its power and authority to a member of our Board, the President and Chief Executive Officer or any executive officer with regard to awards to persons who are subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

## **Available Shares**

All of the available shares of our common stock under the Amended 2018 Plan may be issued in connection with incentive stock options. As discussed above, if approved by our stockholders, the Amendment would increase the number of shares available for issuance under the 2018 Plan by 1,235,814 shares from 2,035,287 shares to 3,271,101 shares, in each case, subject to the adjustment provisions set forth in the Amended 2018 Plan.

The number of available shares will be reduced by the sum of the aggregate number of shares of our common stock which become subject to outstanding stock options, free-standing SARs, Stock Awards and performance awards. To the extent that shares of our common stock subject to an outstanding stock option, free-standing SAR, Stock Award or performance award granted under the Amended 2018 Plan or a Prior Plan, other than substitute awards granted in connection with a corporate transaction, are not issued or delivered by reason of (i) the expiration, termination, cancellation or forfeiture of such award (excluding shares of our common stock subject to a stock option cancelled upon settlement of a related tandem SAR or subject to a tandem SAR cancelled upon exercise of a related option) or (ii) the settlement of such award in cash, then such shares of our common stock will again be available under the Amended 2018 Plan. In addition, shares of our common stock subject to an award under the Amended 2018 Plan or a Prior Plan will again be available for issuance under the Amended 2018 Plan if such shares are (a) shares that were subject to a stock option or stock-settled SAR and were not issued or delivered upon the net settlement or net exercise of such option or SAR or (b) shares delivered to or withheld by the Company to pay the purchase price or the withholding taxes relating to an outstanding award. Notwithstanding the foregoing, shares repurchased by the Company on the open market with the proceeds of a stock option exercise will not again be available for issuance under the Amended 2018 Plan. The Amended 2018 Plan is the only equity compensation plan authorized by our stockholders for future grants of equity awards, and, accordingly, none of the shares previously available for grant under the Prior Plans are available for future grants under the 2018 Plan other than pursuant to the share recycling provisions discussed above.

The aggregate value of cash compensation and the grant date fair value of shares of our common stock that may be awarded or granted during any fiscal year of the Company to any non-employee director shall not exceed \$700,000.

As of the Record Date, the closing price of a share of common stock, as reported on NASDAQ, was \$1.70.

## Change in Control

Subject to the terms of the applicable award agreement, in the event of a change in control, our Board, as constituted prior to the change in control, may, in its discretion take one of the following actions: (i) require that (a) some or all outstanding stock options and SARs will become exercisable in full or in part, either immediately or upon a subsequent termination of employment, (b) the restriction period applicable to some or all outstanding Stock Awards will lapse in full or in part, either immediately or upon a subsequent termination of employment, (c) the performance period applicable to some or all outstanding awards will lapse in full or in part, or (d) the performance measures applicable to some or all outstanding awards will be deemed satisfied at the target, maximum or any other level; (ii) require that shares of our common stock resulting from or succeeding to the business of the Company pursuant to such change in control, or the parent thereof, be substituted for some or all of the shares of our common stock subject to outstanding awards as determined by our Board; and/or (iii) require outstanding awards to be surrendered to the

Company in exchange for a payment of cash, shares of our common stock resulting from the change in control, or the parent thereof, or a combination of cash and shares.

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Under the terms of the Amended 2018 Plan, a change in control is generally defined as a change in ownership or control of the Company effected through any of the following transactions: (i) a merger, consolidation or other reorganization approved by our stockholders, unless our stockholders receive more than 50% of the total voting power of the resulting company; (ii) the sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company s assets; or (iii) an acquisition of more than 50% of the total voting power of the Company s outstanding securities pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made directly to our stockholders.

## Effective Date, Termination and Amendment

If approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy at the Special Meeting, the Amended 2018 Plan will become effective as of the date on which the Amendment is approved by our stockholders. The 2018 Plan became effective as of May 9, 2018 when it was approved by our stockholders, and it will terminate as of the first annual meeting to occur on or after May 9, 2028, unless earlier terminated by our Board. Awards under the Amended 2018 Plan may be made at any time prior to the termination of the Amended 2018 Plan, provided that no incentive stock option may be granted later than ten years after February 14, 2018, the date on which our Board approved the 2018 Plan. Our Board may amend the Amended 2018 Plan at any time, subject to stockholder approval if (i) required by applicable law, rule or regulation, including any rule of the NASDAQ Capital Market or any other stock exchange on which our common stock is then traded, or (ii) our Board seeks to modify the stock option and SAR repricing provisions in the Amended 2018 Plan. No amendment may materially impair the rights of a holder of an outstanding award without the consent of such holder.

#### **Eligibility**

Participants in the Amended 2018 Plan will consist of such officers, other employees, non-employee directors, consultants, independent contractors and agents and persons expected to become officers, other employees, non-employee directors, consultants, independent contractors and agents of the Company and its subsidiaries, as selected by the Plan Committee.

#### Stock Options and SARs

The Amended 2018 Plan provides for the grant of non-qualified stock options, incentive stock options and SARs. The Plan Committee will determine the conditions to the exercisability of each stock option and SAR.

Each stock option will be exercisable for no more than ten years after its date of grant, unless the stock option is an incentive stock option and the optionee owns greater than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of all shares of our capital stock (a *ten percent holder*), in which case the stock option will be exercisable for no more than five years after its date of grant. Except in the case of substitute awards granted in connection with a corporate transaction, the exercise price of a stock option will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the date of grant, unless the stock option is an incentive stock option and the optionee is a ten percent holder, in which case the stock option exercise price will be the price required by the Code, currently 110% of fair market value.

Each SAR will be exercisable for no more than ten years after its date of grant provided that no SAR granted in tandem with a stock option (a *tandem SAR*) will be exercisable later than the expiration, termination, cancellation, forfeiture or other termination of the related stock option. The base price of an SAR will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the date of grant (or, if earlier, the date of grant of the stock option for which the SAR is exchanged or substituted), provided that the base price of a tandem SAR will be the exercise price of the related stock option. An SAR entitles the holder to receive upon exercise (subject to withholding taxes) shares of our common stock (which may be restricted stock), cash or a combination thereof with a value equal

to the difference between the fair market value of our common stock on the exercise date and the base price of the SAR.

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All of the terms relating to the exercise, cancellation or other disposition of stock options and SARs following the termination of employment of a participant, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason, will be determined by the Plan Committee.

The Plan Committee shall not, without the approval of our stockholders, (i) reduce the purchase price or base price of any previously granted stock option or SAR, (ii) cancel any previously granted stock option or SAR in exchange for another stock option or SAR with a lower purchase price or base price or (iii) cancel any previously granted stock option or SAR in exchange for cash or another award if the purchase price of such option or the base price of such SAR exceeds the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the date of such cancellation, in each case, other than in connection with a change in control or the adjustment provisions set forth in the Amended 2018 Plan.

#### Stock Awards

The Amended 2018 Plan provides for the grant of Stock Awards. The Plan Committee may grant a Stock Award as restricted stock, RSUs or as another stock award. Except as otherwise determined by the Plan Committee, Stock Awards will be non-transferable and subject to forfeiture if the holder does not remain continuously in the employment of the Company during the restriction period or if specified performance measures (if any) are not attained during the performance period.

Unless otherwise set forth in a restricted stock award agreement, the holder of shares of restricted stock will have rights as a stockholder of the Company, including the right to vote and receive dividends with respect to shares of restricted stock awarded under the Amended 2018 Plan. Distributions and dividends with respect to shares of our common stock, including regular cash dividends, will be deposited with the Company and will be subject to the same restrictions as the restricted stock.

The agreement awarding RSUs will specify (i) whether such award may be settled in shares of our common stock, cash or a combination thereof, and (ii) whether the holder will be entitled to receive dividend equivalents, with respect to such award. Any dividend equivalents with respect to RSUs will be subject to the same restrictions as such RSUs. Prior to settlement of an RSU, the holder of an RSU will have no rights as a stockholder of the Company.

The Plan Committee may grant other awards that may be denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on, or related to, shares of our common stock, including shares of our common stock granted as a bonus and not subject to any vesting conditions, dividend equivalents, deferred stock units, stock purchase rights and shares of our common stock issued in lieu of obligations of the Company to pay cash under any compensatory plan or arrangement, subject to such terms as shall be determined by the Plan Committee. Dividend equivalents paid with respect to the other stock awards contemplated by this paragraph will be subject to the same vesting conditions as the underlying awards.

All of the terms relating to the satisfaction of performance measures and the termination of a restriction period, or the forfeiture and cancellation of a Stock Award upon a termination of employment, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason or during a paid or unpaid leave of absence, will be determined by the Plan Committee.

#### Performance Awards

The Amended 2018 Plan also provides for the grant of performance awards. The agreement relating to a performance award will specify whether such award may be settled in shares of our common stock (including shares of restricted stock), cash or a combination thereof. The agreement relating to a performance award will provide, in the manner

determined by the Plan Committee, for the vesting of such performance award if the specified performance measures are satisfied or met during the specified performance period and such

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performance goals will be determined by the Plan Committee at the time of grant. Any dividend or dividend equivalents with respect to a performance award will be subject to the same restrictions as such performance award.

The performance measures of a performance award may consist of, but shall not be limited to, one or more of the following objective or subjective corporate-wide or subsidiary, division, operating unit, line of business, project, geographic or individual measures: the attainment by a share of our common stock of a specified Fair Market Value (as defined in the Amended 2018 Plan) for a specified period of time; increase in stockholder value; earnings per share; return on or net assets; return on equity; return on investments; return on capital or invested capital; total stockholder return; earnings or income of the Company before or after taxes and/or interest; earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ( *EBITDA* ); EBITDA margin; operating income; revenues; operating expenses, attainment of expense levels or cost reduction goals; market share; cash flow, cash flow per share, cash flow margin or free cash flow; interest expense; economic value created; gross profit or margin; operating profit or margin; net cash provided by operations; price-to-earnings growth; and strategic business criteria, consisting of one or more objectives based on meeting specified goals relating to market penetration, customer acquisition, business expansion, cost targets, customer satisfaction, reductions in errors and omissions, reductions in lost business, management of employment practices and employee benefits, supervision of litigation, supervision of information technology, quality and quality audit scores, efficiency, product development and acquisitions or divestitures or any combination of the foregoing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Plan Committee may establish any other objective or subjective performance goal, whether or not listed in the Amended 2018 Plan. Performance goals will be subject to such other special rules and conditions as the Plan Committee may establish at any time.

Prior to the settlement of a performance award in shares of our common stock, the holder of such award will have no rights as a stockholder of the Company with respect to such shares. All of the terms relating to the satisfaction of performance measures and the termination of a performance period, or the forfeiture and cancellation of a performance award upon a termination of employment with or service to, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason or during a paid or unpaid leave of absence, will be determined by the Plan Committee.

# **U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences**

The following is a brief summary of certain United States federal income tax consequences generally arising with respect to awards under the Amended 2018 Plan. This discussion does not address all aspects of the United States federal income tax consequences of participating in the Amended 2018 Plan that may be relevant to participants in light of their personal investment or tax circumstances and does not discuss any state, local or non-United States tax consequences of participating in the Amended 2018 Plan. Each participant is advised to consult his or her personal tax advisor concerning the application of the United States federal income tax laws to such participant s particular situation, as well as the applicability and effect of any state, local or non-United States tax laws before taking any actions with respect to any awards.

## Section 162(m) of the Code

Section 162(m) of the Code limits to \$1 million the amount that a publicly held corporation is allowed each year to deduct for compensation paid to the corporation s covered employees. Covered employees include the corporation s chief executive officer, chief financial officer and the three next most highly compensated executive officers. If an individual is determined to be a covered employee for any year beginning after December 31, 2016, then that individual will continue to be a covered employee for future years, regardless of changes in the individual s compensation or position.

# Stock Options

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time a stock option is granted, and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. A participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income

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(and if the participant is an employee, will be subject to income tax withholding) upon exercise of a non-qualified stock option equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares of our common stock purchased on such date over the aggregate exercise price of such shares, and the Company will be entitled to a corresponding deduction, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply. A participant will not recognize income (except for purposes of the alternative minimum tax) upon exercise of an incentive stock option. If the shares of our common stock acquired by exercise of an incentive stock option are held for at least two years from the date the stock option was granted and one year from the date it was exercised, any gain or loss arising from a subsequent disposition of those shares will be taxed as long-term capital gain or loss, and the Company will not be entitled to any deduction. If, however, those shares are disposed of within the above-described period, then in the year of that disposition the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income equal to the excess of the lesser of (i) the amount realized upon that disposition and (ii) the fair market value of those shares on the date of exercise over the exercise price, and the Company will be entitled to a corresponding deduction, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

#### SARs

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time SARs are granted, and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. Upon exercise, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and if the participant is an employee, will be subject to income tax withholding) in an amount equal to the fair market value of any shares of our common stock delivered and the amount of cash paid by the Company. This amount is deductible by the Company as compensation expense, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

#### Stock Awards

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time stock that is subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture is granted, and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time, unless the participant makes an election to be taxed at that time. If such election is made, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and if the participant is an employee, will be subject to income tax withholding) at the time of the grant in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares of our common stock at such time over the amount, if any, paid for those shares. If such election is not made, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and if the participant is an employee, will be subject to income tax withholding) at the time the restrictions constituting a substantial risk of forfeiture lapse in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares of our common stock at such time over the amount, if any, paid for those shares. The amount of ordinary income recognized by making the above-described election or upon the lapse of restrictions constituting a substantial risk of forfeiture is deductible by the Company as compensation expense, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time an RSU is granted, and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. Upon settlement of RSUs, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and if the participant is an employee, will be subject to income tax withholding) in an amount equal to the fair market value of any shares of our common stock delivered and the amount of any cash paid by the Company. The amount of ordinary income recognized is deductible by the Company as compensation expense, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

The tax treatment, including the timing of taxation, of other stock awards will depend on the terms of such awards at the time of grant.

# Performance Awards

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time performance awards are granted, and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. Upon settlement of performance awards, the participant will

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recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and if the participant is an employee, will be subject to income tax withholding) in an amount equal to the fair market value of any shares of our common stock delivered and the amount of cash paid by the Company. This amount is deductible by the Company as compensation expense, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

# New Plan Benefits and Historical Equity Awards

The following table sets forth the number of RSUs (including performance-based RSUs at target level of performance and service-based RSUs) and stock options that have been granted under the Amended 2018 Plan to named executive officers and the other individuals and groups indicated since the inception of the 2018 Plan. In addition, in connection with the appointment of Mr. Norbe as the Company s President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Norbe was awarded (i) 350,000 stock-settled time-based RSUs which shall vest according to time-based vesting criteria as established by the Compensation Committee, subject to Mr. Norbe s continued employment through each such vesting date, and (ii) 300,000 stock-settled performance-based RSUs which shall vest in one-third annual increments, subject to the satisfaction of performance criteria established by the Compensation Committee and Mr. Norbe s continued employment through each such vesting date. The forgoing RSU awards are subject to approval by our stockholders of the Amendment. Other than Mr. Norbe s grants, none of the other awards referenced in the table below are subject to stockholder approval.

As discussed above, the Amendment is being submitted for approval by our stockholders at the Special Meeting. If our stockholders approve this proposal, the Amendment will become effective as of the date on which the Amendment is approved by stockholders, and awards may be granted under the Amended 2018 Plan. If our stockholders do not approve the Amendment, the Company will continue to grant awards under the 2018 Plan as long as shares are available for such purpose.

Name and Position	RSUs(1)	Stock Options		
Todd Norbe, President and Chief Executive Officer	721,667(2)	•		
Harold C. Flynn, Jr., Former President and Chief Executive Officer				
John R. Beaver, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	158,047			
Dmitri Boutoussov, Former Vice President of Research and Development				
David C. Dreyer, Former Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer				
Mark J. Nelson, Former Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer				
All current executive officers	640,608(3)			
All current non-employee directors	527,128(3)			
All employees (other than current executive officers)	851,488(3)	4,000		

- (1) The Company has granted performance awards in the form of performance-based RSUs. The amounts reported in this column with respect to performance-based RSUs are based on the target award opportunity granted to the participant.
- (2) Includes 650,000 RSUs that are subject to stockholder approval of the Amendment. The remaining RSUs represent grants previously received by Mr. Norbe in his capacity as a director of the Company.
- (3) Includes 170,677 RSUs that have been forfeited.

#### Recommendation of our Board

# OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE PLAN AMENDMENT PROPOSAL.

# **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table sets forth information as of December 31, 2017 regarding the number of shares of our common stock that may be issued under the BIOLASE, Inc. 2002 Stock Incentive Plan (the **2002 Plan**). At the

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time, the 2002 Plan was our only equity compensation plan pursuant to which our equity securities were authorized for issuance. In May 2018, the 2002 Plan was replaced with the 2018 Plan, which is described above in Proposal One.

	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	av exc pr outs op wa	ighted- erage ercise rice of tanding tions, rrants and ights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in the first column)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	1,585,277	\$	8.99(1)	611,983
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	120,000(2)	\$	2.95(1)	ŕ
Total	1,705,277	\$	8.62	611,983

- (1) Only option awards were used in computing the weighted-average exercise price.
- (2) In 2017, John R. Beaver received an inducement grant of non-qualified stock options to purchase 120,000 shares of our common stock. The exercise price of such options was \$2.95 per share, and such options are scheduled to vest as follows: (i) one-sixth vest on the one-year anniversary of grant, (ii) one-half vests ratably on a monthly basis over a three-year period after the one-year anniversary of grant, and (iii) one-third vests based upon certain performance criteria relating to revenue and cash goals over the 2018-2019 performance period, as established by the Compensation Committee, in all cases subject to Mr. Beaver s continued service through the applicable vesting date.

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#### PROPOSAL TWO: ADJOURNMENT PROPOSAL

APPROVAL OF THE ADJOURNMENT OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING, IF NECESSARY, IN THE REASONABLE DISCRETION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRESIDENT OF THE COMPANY, TO SOLICIT ADDITIONAL PROXIES IF THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT VOTES AT THE TIME OF THE SPECIAL MEETING TO APPROVE THE PLAN AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

## **Background**

If, at the Special Meeting, the number of shares of our common stock present or represented and voting in favor of the Plan Amendment Proposal is insufficient to approve such proposal, the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company, in his reasonable discretion, may move to adjourn or postpone the Special Meeting in order to enable our Board to continue to solicit additional proxies in favor of the Plan Amendment Proposal.

Our Board believes that if the number of shares of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy at the Special Meeting and voting in favor of the Plan Amendment Proposal is insufficient to approve such proposal, it is in the best interests of our stockholders to enable our Board to continue to seek to obtain a sufficient number of additional votes to approve the Plan Amendment Proposal.

In the Adjournment Proposal, we are asking stockholders to authorize the holder of any proxy solicited by our Board to vote in favor of adjourning or postponing the Special Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. If our stockholders approve this proposal, we could adjourn or postpone the Special Meeting, and any adjourned session of the Special Meeting, to use the additional time to solicit additional proxies in favor of the Plan Amendment Proposal.

Additionally, approval of the Adjournment Proposal could mean that, in the event we receive proxies indicating that a majority of the number of shares of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy at the Special Meeting will vote against the Plan Amendment Proposal, we could adjourn or postpone the Special Meeting without a vote on the Plan Amendment Proposal and use the additional time to solicit the holders of those shares to change their vote in favor of the Plan Amendment Proposal.

#### **Required Vote of Stockholders**

Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy at the Special Meeting and entitled to vote on this proposal. Accordingly, abstentions will have the same effect as a vote against the Adjournment Proposal. This proposal is a non-routine matter, and if you hold your shares in street name via a broker, bank or other nominee, your shares may not be voted by your broker, bank or other nominee if you do not submit voting instructions.

OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE ADJOURNMENT PROPOSAL.

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#### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth certain information relating to the beneficial ownership of our common stock by each person, entity or group known to the Company to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent (5%) of the outstanding shares of our common stock based on a review of publicly available statements of beneficial ownership filed with the SEC and Company records. Percentage ownership is based on 20,596,901 shares of our common stock being issued and outstanding as of August 24, 2018.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percentage of Class
Larry N. Feinberg(1) 200 Greenwich Avenue	6,703,519	31.7%
Greenwich, Connecticut 06830		
Jack W. Schuler(2) 100 North Field Drive, Suite 360	6,938,435	32.8%

Lake Forest, Illinois 60045

(1) Based on the information provided in Amendment No. 18 to Schedule 13D, filed with the SEC on December 6, 2017 by Larry N. Feinberg, Oracle Partners, L.P. ( *Oracle Partners* ), Oracle Institutional Partners, L.P. ( Institutional Partners ), Oracle Ten Fund Master, L.P. ( Ten Fund ), Oracle Investment Management, Inc. Employees Retirement Plan ( Oracle Plan ), The Feinberg Family Foundation ( Feinberg Foundation ), Oracle Associates, LLC ( *Oracle Associates* ) and Oracle Investment Management, Inc. ( *Oracle Investment* ) (Mr. Feinberg, together with Oracle Partners, Institutional Partners, Ten Fund, Oracle Plan, Feinberg Foundation, Oracle Associates and Oracle Investment, the *Oracle Reporting Persons* ), as adjusted to reflect the Reverse Stock Split. The Oracle Reporting Persons reported that Mr. Feinberg beneficially owns and has shared dispositive power with respect to 6,703,519 shares of our common stock, Oracle Partners beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 4,594,129 shares of our common stock, Institutional Partners beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 729,308 shares of our common stock, Ten Fund beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 1,321,797 shares of our common stock, Oracle Plan beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 47,885 shares of our common stock, Feinberg Foundation beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 10,400 shares of our common stock, Oracle Associates beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 6,645,234 shares of our common stock and Oracle Investment beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 6,693,119 shares of our common stock.

Such beneficial ownership includes warrants held by each of Mr. Feinberg, Oracle Associates and Oracle Investment, which are exercisable for 530,266 shares of our common stock each, (ii) in the case of Oracle Partners, for 409,082 shares of our common stock, (iii) in the case of Institutional Partners, for 63,566 shares of our common stock, and (iv) in the case of Ten Fund, for 57,617 shares of our common stock, totaling 2,121,065 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants held by the Oracle Reporting Persons.

Each of Mr. Feinberg, Oracle Partners, Institutional Partners, Ten Fund, Oracle Associates and Oracle Investment (the *Oracle Standstill Parties* ) is a party to that certain Standstill Agreement, dated as of November 10, 2015 and amended

as of August 1, 2016 and November 9, 2017, with the Company, pursuant to which the Oracle Reporting Persons agreed, among other things, that neither they, nor any of their affiliates or associates would purchase or acquire any additional shares of our common stock, if, after such purchase or acquisition, the aggregate beneficial ownership of the Oracle Reporting Persons and their affiliates and associates would exceed 41% of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock.

In accordance with SEC rules, the percentage indicated in the table above is based on 20,596,901 shares of our common stock outstanding as of August 24, 2018, together with the addition of 530,266 shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants held by the Oracle Reporting Persons.

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(2) Based on the information provided in Amendment No. 14 to Schedule 13D, filed with the SEC on December 7, 2017 by Jack W. Schuler with respect to himself, the Jack W. Schuler Living Trust (the Schuler Trust), Renate Schuler, and the Schuler Family Foundation (the Schuler Foundation, and together with Mr. Schuler, Ms. Schuler and the Schuler Trust, the **Schuler Reporting Persons** ), as adjusted to reflect the Reverse Stock Split. The Schuler Reporting Persons reported that Mr. Schuler beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 6,938,435 shares of our common stock, the Schuler Trust beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 2,217,910 shares of our common stock, Ms. Schuler beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 4,720,525 shares of our common stock and the Schuler Foundation beneficially owns and has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 4,700,525 shares of our common stock. Such beneficial ownership excludes warrants held by the Schuler Foundation to purchase 764,850 shares of our common stock that are exercisable but the terms of the warrants prohibit the holder of such warrants from exercising the warrants to the extent that the exercise would result in the holder and its affiliates beneficially owning more than 19.99% of the outstanding shares of our common stock. Such beneficial ownership includes warrants held by the Schuler Trust to purchase 170,159.2 shares of our common stock that became exercisable on February 8, 2017 and warrants held by the Schuler Foundation to purchase 360,107 shares of our common stock that became exercisable on October 18, 2017.

Each of the Schuler Reporting Persons is a party to that certain Standstill Agreement, dated as of November 10, 2015 and amended as of August 1, 2016 and November 9, 2017, with the Company, pursuant to which the Schuler Reporting Persons agreed, among other things, that neither they, nor any of their affiliates or associates would purchase or acquire any additional shares of our common stock, if, after such purchase or acquisition, the aggregate beneficial ownership of the Schuler Reporting Persons and their affiliates and associates would exceed 41% of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock.

In accordance with SEC rules, the percentage indicated in the table above is based on 20,596,901 shares of our common stock outstanding as of August 24, 2018, together with the addition of 530,266 shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants held by the Schuler Reporting Persons.

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The following table sets forth the beneficial ownership of shares of our common stock as of August 24, 2018 by (i) each current director, (ii) each named executive officer and (iii) all current directors and executive officers as a group. Except as indicated in the footnotes to this table, the persons named in the table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of our common stock shown as beneficially owned by them, subject to community property laws, where applicable. Percentage ownership is based on 20,596,901 shares of our common stock outstanding as of August 24, 2018. Shares underlying options or warrants exercisable within 60 days of August 24, 2018 are deemed outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of the person or persons holding such options or warrants, but are not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage ownership of any other persons. Share numbers have been adjusted, as appropriate, to reflect the Reverse Stock Split

	Beneficially Owned Shares of Common	Number of Shares Underlying Options or Warrants Exercisable Within 60 Days of August 24,	Percentage of
Name of Beneficial Owner	Stock	2018	Class
Todd A. Norbe(1)			*%
Jonathan T. Lord, M.D.(1)	200,470(4)	129,100(6)	1.6%
Richard B. Lanman, M.D.(1)		29,039	*%
Jess Roper(1)			*%
Garrett Sato(1)	5,000	8,835	*%
John R. Beaver(2)	25,000	31,106	*%
Dmitri Boutoussov(2)(9)	28,140		*%
David C. Dreyer(2)(3)	24,600		*%
Harold C. Flynn, Jr.(2)(9)	90,253(4)	225,992(5)	1.5%
Mark J. Nelson(2)(7)	3,840	1,869(8)	*%
All current directors and executive officers as a			
group (6 persons)	230,470	198,080	2.1%

- \* Represents less than 1%.
- (1) Director
- (2) Named executive officer
- (3) Resigned from the Company in January 2017
- (4) Includes 55,437 vested RSUs
- (5) Includes warrants to purchase 4,617 shares of our common stock
- (6) Includes warrants to purchase 15,619 shares of our common stock
- (7) Resigned from the Company in May 2017
- (8) Consists of warrants to purchase 1,869 shares of our common stock
- (9) Resigned from the Company in April 2018

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### **Householding of Proxy Materials**

The SEC has adopted rules that permit companies and intermediaries (e.g., brokers) to satisfy the delivery requirements for proxy statements, annual reports and notices of Internet availability of proxy materials with respect to two or more stockholders sharing the same address by delivering a single copy of the applicable document(s) addressed to those stockholders. This process, which is commonly referred to as householding, potentially means extra convenience for stockholders and cost savings for companies.

Once you have received notice from your broker or the Company that it will be householding communications to your address, householding will continue until you are notified otherwise or until you notify your broker or the Company that you no longer wish to participate in householding. If, at any time, you no longer wish to participate in householding and would prefer to receive separate copies of proxy materials, you may notify your broker, or, if you are the holder of record of your shares, please send your written request to: BIOLASE, Inc., 4 Cromwell, Irvine, California 92618, Attention: Corporate Secretary.

Stockholders who currently receive multiple copies of our proxy statement and/or notice at their address and would like to request householding of their communications should contact their broker, or, if you are the holder of record of your shares, contact the Company at the address above.

In addition, the Company will promptly deliver, upon written or oral request to the address above or by calling the Corporate Secretary at (949) 361-1200, a separate copy of the proxy materials to a stockholder at a shared address to which a single copy of the documents were delivered.

### **Stockholder Proposals and Nominations**

Pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the *Exchange Act*), in order to be included in our proxy statement and form of proxy for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders, stockholder proposals must be received at our principal executive offices, 4 Cromwell, Irvine, California 92618, Attention: Corporate Secretary, no later than December 6, 2018, and must comply with additional requirements established by the SEC. If we change the date of our next annual meeting of stockholders by more than 30 days from the date of the previous year s annual meeting of stockholders, then the deadline is a reasonable time before we begin to print and send our proxy materials. Pursuant to our bylaws, a stockholder proposal of business submitted outside of the process established in Rule 14a-8 and stockholder nominations of directors will be considered untimely if received before January 9, 2019 or after February 8, 2019. However, if the date of our next annual meeting of stockholders is more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after May 9, 2019, the deadline is no later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to such annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made by the Company.

### **Other Matters**

We know of no other matters that will be presented for consideration at the Special Meeting. If any other matters properly come before the Special Meeting upon which a vote properly may be taken, shares represented by all proxies received by us on the proxy card will be voted with respect thereto as permitted and in accordance with the judgment of the proxy holders.

### Where You Can Find More Information

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act, as amended, and in accordance therewith file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov, as well as at our website at www.biolase.com.

You may also read and copy, at prescribed rates, any document we file with the SEC at the Public Reference Room of the SEC located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at (800) SEC-0330 for further information on the SEC s Public Reference Room.

The Company s common stock is listed on The NASDAQ Capital Market and trades under the symbol BIOL.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Jonathan T. Lord Chairman of the Board

Date: August 24, 2018

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APPENDIX A

## BIOLASE, INC.

### 2018 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

### I. INTRODUCTION

**1.1 Purposes**. The purposes of the BIOLASE, Inc. 2018 Long-Term Incentive Plan (this <u>Plan</u>) are (i) to align the interests of the Company s stockholders and the recipients of awards under this Plan by increasing the proprietary interest of such recipients in the Company s growth and success, (ii) to advance the interests of the Company by attracting and retaining Non-Employee Directors, officers, other employees, consultants, independent contractors and agents and (iii) to motivate such persons to act in the long-term best interests of the Company and its stockholders.

### 1.2 Certain Definitions.

**Agreement** shall mean the written or electronic agreement evidencing an award hereunder between the Company and the recipient of such award.

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

**Change in Control** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.8(b).

**Code** shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

<u>Committee</u> shall mean the Compensation Committee of the Board, or a subcommittee thereof, or such other committee designated by the Board, in each case, consisting of two or more members of the Board, each of whom is intended to be (i) a Non-Employee Director within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act and (ii) independent within the meaning of the rules of the NASDAQ Capital Market or, if the Common Stock is not listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market, within the meaning of the rules of the principal stock exchange on which the Common Stock is then traded.

<u>Common Stock</u> shall mean the common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company, and all rights appurtenant thereto.

**Company** shall mean BIOLASE, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, or any successor thereto.

**Exchange Act** shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

<u>Fair Market Value</u> shall mean the closing selling price of a share of Common Stock as reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market on the date as of which such value is being determined or, if the Common Stock is not listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market, the closing selling price of a share of Common Stock on the principal national stock exchange on which the Common Stock is traded on the date as of which such value is being determined or, if there shall be no reported transactions for such date, on the next preceding date for which transactions were reported; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if the Common Stock is not listed on a national stock exchange or if Fair Market Value for any date cannot be so determined, Fair Market Value shall be determined by the Committee by whatever means or method as the Committee, in the good faith exercise of its discretion, shall at such time deem appropriate and in

compliance with Section 409A of the Code.

<u>Free-Standing SAR</u> shall mean an SAR which is not granted in tandem with, or by reference to, an option, which entitles the holder thereof to receive, upon exercise, shares of Common Stock (which may be

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Restricted Stock) or, to the extent set forth in the applicable Agreement, cash or a combination thereof, with an aggregate value equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of one share of Common Stock on the date of exercise over the base price of such SAR, multiplied by the number of such SARs which are exercised.

<u>Incentive Stock Option</u> shall mean an option to purchase shares of Common Stock that meets the requirements of Section 422 of the Code, or any successor provision, which is intended by the Committee to constitute an Incentive Stock Option.

Non-Employee Director shall mean any director of the Company who is not an officer or employee of the Company or any Subsidiary.

Nonqualified Stock Option shall mean an option to purchase shares of Common Stock which is not an Incentive Stock Option.

Other Stock Award shall mean an award granted pursuant to Section 3.4 of the Plan.

<u>Performance Award</u> shall mean a right to receive an amount of cash, Common Stock, or a combination of both, contingent upon the attainment of specified Performance Measures within a specified Performance Period.

**Performance Measures** shall mean the criteria and objectives, established by the Committee (whether or not listed herein), which shall be satisfied or met (i) as a condition to the grant or exercisability of all or a portion of an option or SAR or (ii) during the applicable Restriction Period or Performance Period as a condition to the vesting of the holder s interest, in the case of a Restricted Stock Award, of the shares of Common Stock subject to such award, or, in the case of a Restricted Stock Unit Award, Other Stock Award or Performance Award, to the holder s receipt of the shares of Common Stock subject to such award or of payment with respect to such award. Such criteria and objectives may consist of, but shall not be limited to, one or more of the following objective or subjective corporate-wide or subsidiary, division, operating unit, line of business, project, geographic or individual measures: the attainment by a share of Common Stock of a specified Fair Market Value for a specified period of time; increase in stockholder value; earnings per share; return on or net assets; return on equity; return on investments; return on capital or invested capital; total stockholder return; earnings or income of the Company before or after taxes and/or interest; earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (<u>EBITD</u>A ); EBITDA margin; operating income; revenues; operating expenses, attainment of expense levels or cost reduction goals; market share; cash flow, cash flow per share, cash flow margin or free cash flow; interest expense; economic value created; gross profit or margin; operating profit or margin; net cash provided by operations; price-to-earnings growth; and strategic business criteria, consisting of one or more objectives based on meeting specified goals relating to market penetration, customer acquisition, business expansion, cost targets, customer satisfaction, reductions in errors and omissions, reductions in lost business, management of employment practices and employee benefits, supervision of litigation, supervision of information technology, quality and quality audit scores, efficiency, product development and acquisitions or divestitures, or any combination of the foregoing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may establish any other objective or subjective performance goal, whether or not listed herein. Performance goals shall be subject to such other special rules and conditions as the Committee may establish at any time.

<u>Performance Period</u> shall mean any period designated by the Committee during which (i) the Performance Measures applicable to an award shall be measured and (ii) the conditions to vesting applicable to an award shall remain in effect.

**Prior Plan** shall mean the BIOLASE, Inc. 2002 Stock Incentive Plan and each other equity plan maintained by the Company under which awards are outstanding as of the effective date of this Plan.

**Restricted Stock** shall mean shares of Common Stock which are subject to a Restriction Period and which may, in addition thereto, be subject to the attainment of specified Performance Measures within a specified Performance Period.

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**Restricted Stock Award** shall mean an award of Restricted Stock under this Plan.

<u>Restricted Stock Unit</u> shall mean a right to receive one share of Common Stock or, in lieu thereof and to the extent set forth in the applicable Agreement, the Fair Market Value of such share of Common Stock in cash, which shall be contingent upon the expiration of a specified Restriction Period and which may, in addition thereto, be contingent upon the attainment of specified Performance Measures within a specified Performance Period.

**Restricted Stock Unit Award** shall mean an award of Restricted Stock Units under this Plan.

**Restriction Period** shall mean any period designated by the Committee during which (i) the Common Stock subject to a Restricted Stock Award may not be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise encumbered or disposed of, except as provided in this Plan or the Agreement relating to such award, or (ii) the conditions to vesting applicable to a Restricted Stock Unit Award or Other Stock Award shall remain in effect.

**SAR** shall mean a stock appreciation right which may be a Free-Standing SAR or a Tandem SAR.

**Stock Award** shall mean a Restricted Stock Award, Restricted Stock Unit Award or Other Stock Award.

<u>Subsidiary</u> shall mean any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture or similar entity in which the Company owns, directly or indirectly, an equity interest possessing more than 50% of the combined voting power of the total outstanding equity interests of such entity.

<u>Substitute Award</u> shall mean an award granted under this Plan upon the assumption of, or in substitution for, outstanding equity awards previously granted by a company or other entity in connection with a corporate transaction, including a merger, combination, consolidation or acquisition of property or stock; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in no event shall the term Substitute Award be construed to refer to an award made in connection with the cancellation and repricing of an option or SAR.

<u>Tandem SAR</u> shall mean an SAR which is granted in tandem with, or by reference to, an option (including a Nonqualified Stock Option granted prior to the date of grant of the SAR), which entitles the holder thereof to receive, upon exercise of such SAR and surrender for cancellation of all or a portion of such option, shares of Common Stock (which may be Restricted Stock) or, to the extent set forth in the applicable Agreement, cash or a combination thereof, with an aggregate value equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of one share of Common Stock on the date of exercise over the base price of such SAR, multiplied by the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such option, or portion thereof, which is surrendered.

<u>Tax Date</u> shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.5.

**Ten Percent Holder** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

**1.3** Administration. This Plan shall be administered by the Committee. Any one or a combination of the following awards may be made under this Plan to eligible persons: (i) options to purchase shares of Common Stock in the form of Incentive Stock Options or Nonqualified Stock Options; (ii) SARs in the form of Tandem SARs or Free-Standing SARs; (iii) Stock Awards in the form of Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units or Other Stock Awards; and (iv) Performance Awards. The Committee shall, subject to the terms of this Plan, select eligible persons for participation in this Plan and determine the form, amount and timing of each award to such persons and, if applicable, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to an award, the number of SARs, the number of Restricted Stock Units, the dollar value subject to a Performance Award, the purchase price or base price associated with the award, the

time and conditions of exercise or settlement of the award and all other terms and conditions of the award, including, without limitation, the form of the Agreement evidencing the award. The

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Committee may, in its sole discretion and for any reason at any time, take action such that (i) any or all outstanding options and SARs shall become exercisable in part or in full, (ii) all or a portion of the Restriction Period applicable to any outstanding awards shall lapse, (iii) all or a portion of the Performance Period applicable to any outstanding awards shall lapse and (iv) the Performance Measures (if any) applicable to any outstanding awards shall be deemed to be satisfied at the target, maximum or any other level. The Committee shall, subject to the terms of this Plan, interpret this Plan and the application thereof, establish rules and regulations it deems necessary or desirable for the administration of this Plan and may impose, incidental to the grant of an award, conditions with respect to the award, such as limiting competitive employment or other activities. All such interpretations, rules, regulations and conditions shall be conclusive and binding on all parties.

The Committee may delegate some or all of its power and authority hereunder to the Board (or any members thereof) or, subject to applicable law, to a subcommittee of the Board, a member of the Board, the President and Chief Executive Officer or other executive officer of the Company as the Committee deems appropriate; provided, however, that the Committee may not delegate its power and authority to a member of the Board, the President and Chief Executive Officer or other executive officer of the Company with regard to the selection for participation in this Plan of an officer, director or other person subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act or decisions concerning the timing, pricing or amount of an award to such an officer, director or other person.

No member of the Board or Committee, and neither the President and Chief Executive Officer nor any other executive officer to whom the Committee delegates any of its power and authority hereunder, shall be liable for any act, omission, interpretation, construction or determination made in connection with this Plan in good faith, and the members of the Board and the Committee and the President and Chief Executive Officer or other executive officer shall be entitled to indemnification and reimbursement by the Company in respect of any claim, loss, damage or expense (including attorneys fees) arising therefrom to the full extent permitted by law (except as otherwise may be provided in the Company s Certificate of Incorporation and/or Bylaws) and under any directors and officers liability insurance that may be in effect from time to time.

- **1.4 Eligibility**. Participants in this Plan shall consist of such officers, other employees, Non-Employee Directors, consultants, independent contractors, agents, and persons expected to become officers, other employees, Non-Employee Directors, consultants, independent contractors and agents of the Company and its Subsidiaries as the Committee in its sole discretion may select from time to time. The Committee s selection of a person to participate in this Plan at any time shall not require the Committee to select such person to participate in this Plan at any other time. Except as otherwise provided for in an Agreement, for purposes of this Plan, references to employment by the Company shall also mean employment by a Subsidiary, and references to employment shall include service as a Non-Employee Director, consultant, independent contractor or agent. The Committee shall determine, in its sole discretion, the extent to which a participant shall be considered employed during an approved leave of absence. The aggregate value of cash compensation and the grant date fair value of shares of Common Stock that may be awarded or granted during any fiscal year of the Company to any Non-Employee Director shall not exceed \$700,000.
- **1.5** Shares Available. Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 5.7 and to all other limits set forth in this Plan, 10,602,736 shares of Common Stock shall initially be available for all awards under this Plan, other than Substitute Awards, reduced by the number of shares granted under the Prior Plan on or after March 1, 2018. All of the available shares of Common Stock under the Plan may be granted in connection with Incentive Stock Options. The number of shares of Common Stock that remain available for future grants under the Plan shall be reduced by the sum of the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock which become subject to outstanding options, outstanding Free-Standing SARs, outstanding Stock Awards and outstanding Performance Awards denominated in shares of Common Stock.

To the extent that shares of Common Stock subject to an outstanding option, SAR, Stock Award or Performance Award granted under the Plan or a Prior Plan, other than Substitute Awards, are not issued or

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delivered by reason of (i) the expiration, termination, cancellation or forfeiture of such award (excluding shares subject to an option cancelled upon settlement in shares of a related Tandem SAR or shares subject to a Tandem SAR cancelled upon exercise of a related option) or (ii) the settlement of such award in cash, then such shares of Common Stock shall again be available under this Plan. In addition, shares of Common Stock subject to an award under this Plan or a Prior Plan shall again be available for issuance under this Plan if such shares are (x) shares that were subject to an option or stock-settled SAR and were not issued or delivered upon the net settlement or net exercise of such option or SAR or (y) shares delivered to or withheld by the Company to pay the purchase price or the withholding taxes related to an outstanding award. Notwithstanding the foregoing, shares repurchased by the Company on the open market with the proceeds of an option exercise shall not again be available for issuance under this Plan. At the time this Plan becomes effective, none of the shares of Common Stock available for future grant under the Prior Plans shall be available for grant under such Prior Plans or this Plan.

The number of shares of Common Stock available for awards under this Plan shall not be reduced by (i) the number of shares of Common Stock subject to Substitute Awards or (ii) available shares under a stockholder approved plan of a company or other entity which was a party to a corporate transaction with the Company (as appropriately adjusted to reflect such corporate transaction) which become subject to awards granted under this Plan (subject to applicable stock exchange requirements).

Shares of Common Stock to be delivered under this Plan shall be made available from authorized and unissued shares of Common Stock, or authorized and issued shares of Common Stock reacquired and held as treasury shares or otherwise or a combination thereof.

### II. STOCK OPTIONS AND STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS

**2.1** Stock Options. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant options to purchase shares of Common Stock to such eligible persons as may be selected by the Committee. Each option, or portion thereof, that is not an Incentive Stock Option, shall be a Nonqualified Stock Option. To the extent that the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined as of the date of grant) of shares of Common Stock with respect to which options designated as Incentive Stock Options are exercisable for the first time by a participant during any calendar year (under this Plan or any other plan of the Company, or any parent or Subsidiary) exceeds the amount (currently \$100,000) established by the Code, such options shall constitute Nonqualified Stock Options.

Options shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of this Plan, as the Committee shall deem advisable:

(a) Number of Shares and Purchase Price. The number of shares of Common Stock subject to an option and the purchase price per share of Common Stock purchasable upon exercise of the option shall be determined by the Committee; provided, however, that the purchase price per share of Common Stock purchasable upon exercise of an option shall not be less than 100% of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant of such option; provided further, that if an Incentive Stock Option shall be granted to any person who, at the time such option is granted, owns capital stock possessing more than 10 percent of the total combined voting power of all classes of capital stock of the Company (or of any parent or Subsidiary) (a Ten Percent Holder ), the purchase price per share of Common Stock shall not be less than the price (currently 110% of Fair Market Value) required by the Code in order to constitute an Incentive Stock Option.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of an option that is a Substitute Award, the purchase price per share of the shares subject to such option may be less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per share on the date of grant, provided, that the excess of: (a) the aggregate Fair Market Value (as of the date such Substitute Award is granted) of the shares

subject to the Substitute Award, over (b) the aggregate purchase price thereof

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does not exceed the excess of: (x) the aggregate fair market value (as of the time immediately preceding the transaction giving rise to the Substitute Award, such fair market value to be determined by the Committee) of the shares of the predecessor company or other entity that were subject to the grant assumed or substituted for by the Company, over (y) the aggregate purchase price of such shares.

- (b) Option Period and Exercisability. The period during which an option may be exercised shall be determined by the Committee; provided, however, that no option shall be exercised later than ten years after its date of grant; provided further, that if an Incentive Stock Option shall be granted to a Ten Percent Holder, such option shall not be exercised later than five years after its date of grant. The Committee may, in its discretion, establish Performance Measures which shall be satisfied or met as a condition to the grant of an option or to the exercisability of all or a portion of an option. The Committee shall determine whether an option shall become exercisable in cumulative or non-cumulative installments and in part or in full at any time. An exercisable option, or portion thereof, may be exercised only with respect to whole shares of Common Stock.
- (c) Method of Exercise. An option may be exercised (i) by giving written notice to the Company specifying the number of whole shares of Common Stock to be purchased and accompanying such notice with payment therefor in full (or arrangement made for such payment to the Company s satisfaction) either (A) in cash, (B) by delivery (either actual delivery or by attestation procedures established by the Company) of shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value, determined as of the date of exercise, equal to the aggregate purchase price payable by reason of such exercise, (C) authorizing the Company to withhold whole shares of Common Stock which would otherwise be delivered having an aggregate Fair Market Value, determined as of the date of exercise, equal to the amount necessary to satisfy such obligation, (D) in cash by a broker-dealer acceptable to the Company to whom the participant has submitted an irrevocable notice of exercise or (E) a combination of (A), (B) and (C), in each case to the extent set forth in the Agreement relating to the option, (ii) if applicable, by surrendering to the Company any Tandem SARs which are cancelled by reason of the exercise of the option and (iii) by executing such documents as the Company may reasonably request. Any fraction of a share of Common Stock which would be required to pay such purchase price shall be disregarded and the remaining amount due shall be paid in cash by the participant. No shares of Common Stock shall be issued and no certificate representing Common Stock shall be delivered until the full purchase price therefor and any withholding taxes thereon, as described in Section 5.5, have been paid (or arrangement made for such payment to the Company s satisfaction).
- **2.2** <u>Stock Appreciation Rights</u>. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant SARs to such eligible persons as may be selected by the Committee. The Agreement relating to an SAR shall specify whether the SAR is a Tandem SAR or a Free-Standing SAR.
- SARs shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of this Plan, as the Committee shall deem advisable:
- (a) <u>Number of SARs and Base Price</u>. The number of SARs subject to an award shall be determined by the Committee. Any Tandem SAR related to an Incentive Stock Option shall be granted at the same time that such Incentive Stock Option is granted. The base price of a Tandem SAR shall be the purchase price per share of Common Stock of the related option. The base price of a Free-Standing SAR shall be determined by the Committee; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such base price shall not be less than 100% of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant of such SAR (or, if earlier, the date of grant of the option for which the SAR is exchanged or substituted).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of an SAR that is a Substitute Award, the base price per share of the shares subject to such SAR may be less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per share on the date of grant, provided, that the excess of: (a) the aggregate Fair Market Value (as of the date such Substitute Award is granted) of the shares subject

to the Substitute Award, over (b) the aggregate base price thereof does not exceed the excess of: (x) the aggregate fair market value (as of the time immediately preceding the transaction giving

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rise to the Substitute Award, such fair market value to be determined by the Committee) of the shares of the predecessor company or other entity that were subject to the grant assumed or substituted for by the Company, over (y) the aggregate base price of such shares.

- (b) Exercise Period and Exercisability. The period for the exercise of an SAR shall be determined by the Committee; provided, however, that (i) no Tandem SAR shall be exercised later than the expiration, cancellation, forfeiture or other termination of the related option and (ii) no Free-Standing SAR shall be exercised later than ten years after its date of grant. The Committee may, in its discretion, establish Performance Measures which shall be satisfied or met as a condition to the grant of an SAR or to the exercisability of all or a portion of an SAR. The Committee shall determine whether an SAR may be exercised in cumulative or non-cumulative installments and in part or in full at any time. An exercisable SAR, or portion thereof, may be exercised, in the case of a Tandem SAR, only with respect to whole shares of Common Stock and, in the case of a Free-Standing SAR, only with respect to a whole number of SARs. If an SAR is exercised for shares of Restricted Stock, a certificate or certificates representing such Restricted Stock shall be issued in accordance with Section 3.2(c), or such shares shall be transferred to the holder in book entry form with restrictions on the shares duly noted, and the holder of such Restricted Stock shall have such rights of a stockholder of the Company as determined pursuant to Section 3.2(d). Prior to the exercise of a stock-settled SAR, the holder of such SAR shall have no rights as a stockholder of the Company with respect to the shares of Common Stock subject to such SAR.
- (c) <u>Method of Exercise</u>. A Tandem SAR may be exercised (i) by giving written notice to the Company specifying the number of whole SARs which are being exercised, (ii) by surrendering to the Company any options which are cancelled by reason of the exercise of the Tandem SAR and (iii) by executing such documents as the Company may reasonably request. A Free-Standing SAR may be exercised (A) by giving written notice to the Company specifying the whole number of SARs which are being exercised and (B) by executing such documents as the Company may reasonably request. No shares of Common Stock shall be issued and no certificate representing Common Stock shall be delivered until any withholding taxes thereon, as described in <u>Section 5.5</u>, have been paid (or arrangement made for such payment to the Company s satisfaction).
- **2.3** <u>Termination of Employment or Service</u>. All of the terms relating to the exercise, cancellation or other disposition of an option or SAR (i) upon a termination of employment with or service to the Company of the holder of such option or SAR, as the case may be, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason, or (ii) during a paid or unpaid leave of absence, shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the applicable award Agreement.
- **2.4** No Repricing. The Committee shall not, without the approval of the stockholders of the Company, (i) reduce the purchase price or base price of any previously granted option or SAR, (ii) cancel any previously granted option or SAR in exchange for another option or SAR with a lower purchase price or base price or (iii) cancel any previously granted option or SAR in exchange for cash or another award if the purchase price of such option or the base price of such SAR exceeds the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of such cancellation, in each case, other than in connection with a Change in Control or the adjustment provisions set forth in Section 5.7.
- **2.5** No Dividend Equivalents. Notwithstanding anything in an Agreement to the contrary, the holder of an option or SAR shall not be entitled to receive dividend equivalents with respect to the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such option or SAR.

## III. STOCK AWARDS

**3.1** Stock Awards. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant Stock Awards to such eligible persons as may be selected by the Committee. The Agreement relating to a Stock Award shall specify whether the Stock Award is a Restricted Stock Award, a Restricted Stock Unit Award or, in the case of an Other Stock Award, the type of award being granted.

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- **3.2** <u>Terms of Restricted Stock Awards</u>. Restricted Stock Awards shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of this Plan, as the Committee shall deem advisable.
- (a) <u>Number of Shares and Other Terms</u>. The number of shares of Common Stock subject to a Restricted Stock Award and the Restriction Period, Performance Period (if any) and Performance Measures (if any) applicable to a Restricted Stock Award shall be determined by the Committee.
- (b) <u>Vesting and Forfeiture</u>. The Agreement relating to a Restricted Stock Award shall provide, in the manner determined by the Committee, in its discretion, and subject to the provisions of this Plan, for the vesting of the shares of Common Stock subject to such award (i) if the holder of such award remains continuously in the employment of the Company during the specified Restriction Period and (ii) if specified Performance Measures (if any) are satisfied or met during a specified Performance Period, and for the forfeiture of the shares of Common Stock subject to such award (x) if the holder of such award does not remain continuously in the employment of the Company during the specified Restriction Period or (y) if specified Performance Measures (if any) are not satisfied or met during a specified Performance Period.
- (c) Stock Issuance. During the Restriction Period, the shares of Restricted Stock shall be held by a custodian in book entry form with restrictions on such shares duly noted or, alternatively, a certificate or certificates representing a Restricted Stock Award shall be registered in the holder s name and may bear a legend, in addition to any legend which may be required pursuant to Section 5.6, indicating that the ownership of the shares of Common Stock represented by such certificate is subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions of this Plan and the Agreement relating to the Restricted Stock Award. All such certificates shall be deposited with the Company, together with stock powers or other instruments of assignment (including a power of attorney), each endorsed in blank with a guarantee of signature if deemed necessary or appropriate, which would permit transfer to the Company of all or a portion of the shares of Common Stock subject to the Restricted Stock Award in the event such award is forfeited in whole or in part. Upon termination of any applicable Restriction Period (and the satisfaction or attainment of applicable Performance Measures), subject to the Company s right to require payment of any taxes in accordance with Section 5.5, the restrictions shall be removed from the requisite number of any shares of Common Stock that are held in book entry form, and all certificates evidencing ownership of the requisite number of shares of Common Stock shall be delivered to the holder of such award.
- (d) <u>Rights with Respect to Restricted Stock Awards</u>. Unless otherwise set forth in the Agreement relating to a Restricted Stock Award, and subject to the terms and conditions of a Restricted Stock Award, the holder of such award shall have all rights as a stockholder of the Company, including, but not limited to, voting rights, the right to receive dividends and the right to participate in any capital adjustment applicable to all holders of Common Stock; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that a distribution or dividend with respect to shares of Common Stock, including a regular cash dividend, shall be deposited with the Company and shall be subject to the same restrictions as the shares of Common Stock with respect to which such distribution was made.
- **3.3** <u>Terms of Restricted Stock Unit Awards</u>. Restricted Stock Unit Awards shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of this Plan, as the Committee shall deem advisable.
- (a) <u>Number of Shares and Other Terms</u>. The number of shares of Common Stock subject to a Restricted Stock Unit Award, including the number of shares that are earned upon the attainment of any specified Performance Measures, and the Restriction Period, Performance Period (if any) and Performance Measures (if any) applicable to a Restricted Stock Unit Award shall be determined by the Committee.

(b) <u>Vesting and Forfeiture</u>. The Agreement relating to a Restricted Stock Unit Award shall provide, in the manner determined by the Committee, in its discretion, and subject to the provisions of this Plan, for the vesting of such Restricted Stock Unit Award (i) if the holder of such award remains continuously in the

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employment of the Company during the specified Restriction Period and (ii) if specified Performance Measures (if any) are satisfied or met during a specified Performance Period, and for the forfeiture of the shares of Common Stock subject to such award (x) if the holder of such award does not remain continuously in the employment of the Company during the specified Restriction Period or (y) if specified Performance Measures (if any) are not satisfied or met during a specified Performance Period.

- (c) <u>Settlement of Vested Restricted Stock Unit Awards</u>. The Agreement relating to a Restricted Stock Unit Award shall specify (i) whether such award may be settled in shares of Common Stock or cash or a combination thereof and (ii) whether the holder thereof shall be entitled to receive dividend equivalents, and, if determined by the Committee, interest on, or the deemed reinvestment of, any deferred dividend equivalents, with respect to the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such award. Any dividend equivalents with respect to Restricted Stock Units shall be subject to the same restrictions as such Restricted Stock Units. Prior to the settlement of a Restricted Stock Unit Award, the holder of such award shall have no rights as a stockholder of the Company with respect to the shares of Common Stock subject to such award.
- **3.4** Other Stock Awards. Subject to the limitations set forth in the Plan, the Committee is authorized to grant other awards that may be denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on, or related to, shares of Common Stock, including without limitation shares of Common Stock granted as a bonus and not subject to any vesting conditions, dividend equivalents, deferred stock units, stock purchase rights and shares of Common Stock issued in lieu of obligations of the Company to pay cash under any compensatory plan or arrangement, subject to such terms as shall be determined by the Committee. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions of such awards, which may include the right to elective deferral thereof, subject to such terms and conditions as the Committee may specify in its discretion; provided, however, any dividend equivalents with respect to an award granted under this Section 3.4 shall be subject to the same restrictions as the underlying award.
- **3.5** <u>Termination of Employment or Service</u>. All of the terms relating to the satisfaction of Performance Measures and the termination of the Restriction Period or Performance Period relating to a Stock Award, or any forfeiture and cancellation of such award (i) upon a termination of employment with or service to the Company of the holder of such award, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason, or (ii) during a paid or unpaid leave of absence, shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the applicable award Agreement.

### IV. PERFORMANCE AWARDS

- **4.1** <u>Performance Awards</u>. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant Performance Awards to such eligible persons as may be selected by the Committee.
- **4.2** Terms of Performance Awards. Performance Awards shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of this Plan, as the Committee shall deem advisable.
- (a) <u>Value of Performance Awards and Performance Measures</u>. The method of determining the value of the Performance Award and the Performance Measures and Performance Period applicable to a Performance Award shall be determined by the Committee.
- (b) <u>Vesting and Forfeiture</u>. The Agreement relating to a Performance Award shall provide, in the manner determined by the Committee, in its discretion, and subject to the provisions of this Plan, for the vesting of such Performance Award if the specified Performance Measures are satisfied or met during the specified Performance Period and for the forfeiture of such award if the specified Performance Measures are not satisfied or met during the specified

Performance Period.

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- (c) <u>Settlement of Vested Performance Awards</u>. The Agreement relating to a Performance Award shall specify whether such award may be settled in shares of Common Stock (including shares of Restricted Stock) or cash or a combination thereof. If a Performance Award is settled in shares of Restricted Stock, such shares of Restricted Stock shall be issued to the holder in book entry form or a certificate or certificates representing such Restricted Stock shall be issued in accordance with <u>Section 3.2(c)</u> and the holder of such Restricted Stock shall have such rights as a stockholder of the Company as determined pursuant to <u>Section 3.2(d)</u>. Any dividends or dividend equivalents with respect to a Performance Award shall be subject to the same restrictions as such Performance Award. Prior to the settlement of a Performance Award in shares of Common Stock, including Restricted Stock, the holder of such award shall have no rights as a stockholder of the Company.
- **4.3** <u>Termination of Employment or Service</u>. All of the terms relating to the satisfaction of Performance Measures and the termination of the Performance Period relating to a Performance Award, or any forfeiture and cancellation of such award (i) upon a termination of employment with or service to the Company of the holder of such award, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason, or (ii) during a paid or unpaid leave of absence, shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the applicable award Agreement.

### V. GENERAL

**5.1** Effective Date and Term of Plan. This Plan shall be submitted to the stockholders of the Company for approval at the Company s 2018 annual meeting of stockholders and, if approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of Common Stock present in person or represented by proxy at such annual meeting of stockholders, shall become effective as of the date on which the Plan was approved by stockholders. This Plan shall terminate as of the first annual meeting of the Company s stockholders to occur on or after the tenth anniversary of its effective date, unless terminated earlier by the Board. Termination of this Plan shall not affect the terms or conditions of any award granted prior to termination.

Awards hereunder may be made at any time prior to the termination of this Plan, provided that no Incentive Stock Option may be granted later than ten years after the date on which the Plan was approved by the Board. In the event that this Plan is not approved by the stockholders of the Company, this Plan and any awards hereunder shall be void and of no force or effect.

- **5.2** <u>Amendments</u>. The Board may amend this Plan as it shall deem advisable; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no amendment to the Plan shall be effective without the approval of the Company s stockholders if (i) stockholder approval is required by applicable law, rule or regulation, including any rule of the NASDAQ Capital Market, or any other stock exchange on which the Common Stock is then traded, or (ii) such amendment seeks to modify <u>Section 2.4</u> hereof; <u>provided further</u>, that no amendment may materially impair the rights of a holder of an outstanding award without the consent of such holder.
- **5.3** Agreement. Each award under this Plan shall be evidenced by an Agreement setting forth the terms and conditions applicable to such award. No award shall be valid until an Agreement is executed by the Company and, to the extent required by the Company, executed or electronically accepted by the recipient of such award. Upon such execution or acceptance and delivery of the Agreement to the Company within the time period specified by the Company, such award shall be effective as of the effective date set forth in the Agreement.
- **5.4** Non-Transferability. No award shall be transferable other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution or pursuant to beneficiary designation procedures approved by the Company or, to the extent expressly permitted in the Agreement relating to such award, to the holder s family members, a trust or entity established by the holder for estate planning purposes, a charitable organization designated by the holder or pursuant to a domestic relations order, in each

case, without consideration. Except to the extent permitted by the foregoing sentence or the Agreement relating to an award, each award may be exercised or settled during the holder s lifetime only by the holder or the holder s legal representative or similar person. Except as permitted by

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the second preceding sentence, no award may be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged, hypothecated, encumbered or otherwise disposed of (whether by operation of law or otherwise) or be subject to execution, attachment or similar process. Upon any attempt to so sell, transfer, assign, pledge, hypothecate, encumber or otherwise dispose of any award, such award and all rights thereunder shall immediately become null and void.

5.5 <u>Tax Withholding</u>. The Company shall have the right to require, prior to the issuance or delivery of any shares of Common Stock or the payment of any cash pursuant to an award made hereunder, payment by the holder of such award of any federal, state, local or other taxes which may be required to be withheld or paid in connection with such award. An Agreement may provide that (i) the Company shall withhold whole shares of Common Stock which would otherwise be delivered to a holder, having an aggregate Fair Market Value determined as of the date the obligation to withhold or pay taxes arises in connection with an award (the <u>Tax Date</u>), or withhold an amount of cash which would otherwise be payable to a holder, in the amount necessary to satisfy any such obligation or (ii) the holder may satisfy any such obligation by any of the following means: (A) a cash payment to the Company; (B) delivery (either actual delivery or by attestation procedures established by the Company) to the Company of previously owned whole shares of Common Stock having an aggregate Fair Market Value, determined as of the Tax Date, equal to the amount necessary to satisfy any such obligation; (C) authorizing the Company to withhold whole shares of Common Stock which would otherwise be delivered having an aggregate Fair Market Value, determined as of the Tax Date, or withhold an amount of cash which would otherwise be payable to a holder, in either case equal to the amount necessary to satisfy any such obligation; (D) in the case of the exercise of an option, a cash payment by a broker-dealer acceptable to the Company to whom the participant has submitted an irrevocable notice of exercise or (E) any combination of (A), (B) and (C), in each case to the extent set forth in the Agreement relating to the award. Shares of Common Stock to be delivered or withheld may not have an aggregate Fair Market Value in excess of the amount determined by applying the minimum statutory withholding rate (or, if permitted by the Company, such other rate as will not cause adverse accounting consequences under the accounting rules then in effect, and is permitted under applicable IRS withholding rules). Any fraction of a share of Common Stock which would be required to satisfy such an obligation shall be disregarded and the remaining amount due shall be paid in cash by the holder.

**5.6** Restrictions on Shares. Each award made hereunder shall be subject to the requirement that if at any time the Company determines that the listing, registration or qualification of the shares of Common Stock subject to such award upon any securities exchange or under any law, or the consent or approval of any governmental body, or the taking of any other action is necessary or desirable as a condition of, or in connection with, the delivery of shares thereunder, such shares shall not be delivered unless such listing, registration, qualification, consent, approval or other action shall have been effected or obtained, free of any conditions not acceptable to the Company. The Company may require that certificates evidencing shares of Common Stock delivered pursuant to any award made hereunder bear a legend indicating that the sale, transfer or other disposition thereof by the holder is prohibited except in compliance with the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder.

**5.7** Adjustment. In the event of any equity restructuring (within the meaning of Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, Compensation Stock Compensation or any successor or replacement accounting standard) that causes the per share value of shares of Common Stock to change, such as a stock dividend, stock split, spinoff, rights offering or recapitalization through an extraordinary cash dividend, the number and class of securities available under this Plan, the terms of each outstanding option and SAR (including the number and class of securities subject to each outstanding option or SAR and the purchase price or base price per share), the terms of each outstanding Stock Award (including the number and class of securities subject thereto), the terms of each outstanding Performance Award (including the number and class of securities subject thereto, if applicable) and the maximum number of securities with respect to which Incentive Stock Options may be granted, shall be appropriately adjusted by the Committee, such adjustments to be made in the case of outstanding options and SARs in accordance with Section 409A of the Code. In the event of any other change in corporate capitalization,

including a merger, consolidation, reorganization, or partial or complete liquidation of the Company, such equitable adjustments described in the foregoing sentence may be

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made as determined to be appropriate and equitable by the Committee to prevent dilution or enlargement of rights of participants. In either case, the decision of the Committee regarding any such adjustment shall be final, binding and conclusive.

### 5.8 Change in Control.

- (a) Subject to the terms of the applicable award Agreements, in the event of a Change in Control, the Board, as constituted prior to the Change in Control, may, in its discretion:
  - (1) require that (i) some or all outstanding options and SARs shall become exercisable in full or in part, either immediately or upon a subsequent termination of employment, (ii) the Restriction Period applicable to some or all outstanding Stock Awards shall lapse in full or in part, either immediately or upon a subsequent termination of employment, (iii) the Performance Period applicable to some or all outstanding awards shall lapse in full or in part, and (iv) the Performance Measures applicable to some or all outstanding awards shall be deemed to be satisfied at the target, maximum or any other level;
  - (2) require that shares of capital stock of the corporation resulting from or succeeding to the business of the Company pursuant to such Change in Control, or a parent corporation thereof, be substituted for some or all of the shares of Common Stock subject to an outstanding award, with an appropriate and equitable adjustment to such award as determined by the Board in accordance with Section 5.7; and/or
  - require outstanding awards, in whole or in part, to be surrendered to the Company by the holder, and to (3) be immediately cancelled by the Company, and to provide for the holder to receive (i) a cash payment in an amount equal to (A) in the case of an option or an SAR, the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock then subject to the portion of such option or SAR surrendered, whether or not vested or exercisable, multiplied by the excess, if any, of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock as of the date of the Change in Control, over the purchase price or base price per share of Common Stock subject to such option or SAR, (B) in the case of a Stock Award or a Performance Award denominated in shares of Common Stock, the number of shares of Common Stock then subject to the portion of such award surrendered to the extent the Performance Measures applicable to such award have been satisfied or are deemed satisfied pursuant to Section 5.8(a)(i), whether or not vested, multiplied by the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock as of the date of the Change in Control, and (C) in the case of a Performance Award denominated in cash, the value of the Performance Award then subject to the portion of such award surrendered to the extent the Performance Measures applicable to such award have been satisfied or are deemed satisfied pursuant to Section 5.8(a)(i); (ii) shares of capital stock of the corporation resulting from or succeeding to the business of the Company pursuant to such Change in Control, or a parent corporation thereof, having a fair market value not less than the amount determined under clause (i) above; or (iii) a combination of the payment of cash pursuant to clause (i) above and the issuance of shares pursuant to clause (ii) above
- (b) For purposes of this Plan, a <u>Change in Control</u> shall mean a change in ownership or control of the Company effected through any of the following transactions:

- (1) a merger, consolidation or other reorganization approved by the Company s stockholders, unless securities representing more than 50% of the total combined voting power of the voting securities of the successor corporation are immediately thereafter beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by the persons who beneficially owned the Company s outstanding voting securities immediately prior to such transaction;
- (2) the sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company s assets; or
- (3) the acquisition, directly or indirectly, by any person or related group of persons (other than the Company or a person that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common

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control with, the Company), of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act) of securities possessing more than 50% of the total combined voting power of the Company s outstanding securities pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made directly to the Company s stockholders;

<u>provided</u>, that with respect to any nonqualified deferred compensation that becomes payable on account of the Change in Control, the transaction or event described in clause (1), (2), (3) or (4) also constitutes a change in control event, as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-3(i)(5) if required in order for the payment not to violate Section 409A of the Code.

- **5.9** <u>Deferrals.</u> The Committee may determine that the delivery of shares of Common Stock or the payment of cash, or a combination thereof, upon the settlement of all or a portion of any award made hereunder shall be deferred, or the Committee may, in its sole discretion, approve deferral elections made by holders of awards. Deferrals shall be for such periods and upon such terms as the Committee may determine in its sole discretion, subject to the requirements of Section 409A of the Code.
- **5.10** No Right of Participation, Employment or Service. Unless otherwise set forth in an employment agreement, no person shall have any right to participate in this Plan. Neither this Plan nor any award made hereunder shall confer upon any person any right to continued employment by or service with the Company, any Subsidiary or any affiliate of the Company or affect in any manner the right of the Company, any Subsidiary or any affiliate of the Company to terminate the employment or service of any person at any time without liability hereunder.
- **5.11** <u>Rights as Stockholder</u>. No person shall have any right as a stockholder of the Company with respect to any shares of Common Stock or other equity security of the Company which is subject to an award hereunder unless and until such person becomes a stockholder of record with respect to such shares of Common Stock or equity security.
- **5.12** <u>Designation of Beneficiary</u>. To the extent permitted by the Company, a holder of an award may file with the Company a written designation of one or more persons as such holder s beneficiary or beneficiaries (both primary and contingent) in the event of the holder s death or incapacity. To the extent an outstanding option or SAR granted hereunder is exercisable, such beneficiary or beneficiaries shall be entitled to exercise such option or SAR pursuant to procedures prescribed by the Company. Each beneficiary designation shall become effective only when filed in writing with the Company during the holder s lifetime on a form prescribed by the Company. The spouse of a married holder domiciled in a community property jurisdiction shall join in any designation of a beneficiary other than such spouse. The filing with the Company of a new beneficiary designation shall cancel all previously filed beneficiary designations. If a holder fails to designate a beneficiary, or if all designated beneficiaries of a holder predecease the holder, then each outstanding award held by such holder, to the extent vested or exercisable, shall be payable to or may be exercised by such holder s executor, administrator, legal representative or similar person.
- **5.13** Awards Subject to Clawback. The awards granted under this Plan and any cash payment or shares of Common Stock delivered pursuant to such an award are subject to forfeiture, recovery by the Company or other action pursuant to the applicable award Agreement or any clawback or recoupment policy which the Company may adopt from time to time, including without limitation any such policy which the Company may be required to adopt under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and implementing rules and regulations thereunder, or as otherwise required by law.
- **5.14** Governing Law. This Plan, each award hereunder and the related Agreement, and all determinations made and actions taken pursuant thereto, to the extent not otherwise governed by the Code or the laws of the United States, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware and construed in accordance therewith without giving effect to principles of conflicts of laws.

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**5.15** Foreign Employees. Without amending this Plan, the Committee may grant awards to eligible persons who are foreign nationals and/or reside outside of the United States on such terms and conditions different from those specified in this Plan as may in the judgment of the Committee be necessary or desirable to foster and promote achievement of the purposes of this Plan and, in furtherance of such purposes the Committee may make such modifications, amendments, procedures, subplans and the like as may be necessary or advisable to comply with provisions of laws in other countries or jurisdictions in which the Company or its Subsidiaries operates or has employees.

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APPENDIX B

### AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE

### TO THE

### BIOLASE, INC.

### 2018 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

**WHEREAS,** BIOLASE, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the <u>Company</u>), maintains the BIOLASE, Inc. 2018 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the <u>Plan</u>);

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Plan, the Board of Directors of the Company (the <u>Board</u>) has the authority to amend the Plan as it shall deem advisable, subject to any requirement of stockholder approval required by applicable law, rule or regulation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board deems it advisable and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders to amend the Plan to increase the available shares thereunder, subject to stockholder approval of such amendment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Plan hereby is amended, effective as the date on which the stockholders of the Company approve such amendment, as follows:

The first sentence of Section 1.5 of the Plan is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Subject to adjustment as provided in <u>Section 5.7</u> and to all other limits set forth in this Plan, 3,271,101 shares of Common Stock shall be available for all awards under this Plan, other than Substitute Awards, reduced by the number of shares granted under the Prior Plan on or after March 1, 2018.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the Company has caused this instrument to be executed by its duly authorized agent as of August 3, 2018.

**BIOLASE, INC.** 

Michael C. Carroll Corporate Secretary

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