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U.S. Patent No. 10,229,586  
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**DECLARATION OF DR. STEPHEN B. WICKER**

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I, Dr. Stephen B. Wicker declare as follows:

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

1. I have been retained by Sonos, Inc. (“Sonos”) as an independent expert consultant in this proceeding before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“PTO”). I am not an employee of Sonos or any affiliate or subsidiary of Sonos.

2. I have been asked to consider whether certain references teach or suggest the features recited in certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 10,229,586, which I refer to herein as the ’586 patent.

3. My opinions and the bases for my opinions are set forth below.

4. I am being compensated at my ordinary and customary rate of \$800 per hour for my work, plus reimbursement for any reasonable expenses. My compensation is based solely on the amount of time that I devote to activity related to this case and is in no way contingent on the nature of my findings, the presentation of my findings in testimony, or the outcome of this or any other proceeding. I have no other financial interest in this proceeding.

## **II. EDUCATION BACKGROUND, PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, AND OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

5. My curriculum vitae (“CV”) is attached hereto as Attachment A and provides an accurate identification of my background and experience.

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