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**ENDODONTIC THERAPY  
INFORMED CONSENT**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. I, THE UNDERSIGNED, VOLUNTARILY CONSENT to \_\_\_\_\_, his/her (or its) partners, associates, administrative team, dental assistants, and/or staff providing the endodontic (root canal) therapy which has been recommended.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. I accept and understand that endodontic therapy is an attempt to save a tooth or teeth that might otherwise require extraction. I also accept and understand that endodontic therapy is used to correct an apparent problem and occasionally undiagnosed and/or hidden problems arise.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I have been fully informed that endodontic therapy is not always successful as the tooth or teeth is/are already in jeopardy.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. I accept and understand that this endodontic therapy will not prevent future decay and/or possible fracture. I also accept and understand that the endodontic therapy may not prevent future problem with the tooth or teeth, as the tooth or teeth will be more brittle.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The endodontic therapy has been **fully explained to me**, including all risks and complications involved. I have been fully informed that the risks and complications may include, but are not exclusive of:
- \_\_\_\_\_ a. Perforation of the canal with instruments which could result in the loss of the tooth and perhaps surgery.
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Nerve or sinus damage causing temporary or permanent numbness of the chin, tongue or lips.
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. Instrument breakage in the canal that may require surgery.
- \_\_\_\_\_ d. Minor pain.
- \_\_\_\_\_ e. Swelling.
- \_\_\_\_\_ f. Temporary or permanent numbness.
- \_\_\_\_\_ g. The need for additional treatment, surgery and/or extraction.
- \_\_\_\_\_ h. The need for additional procedures on the tooth or teeth, such as crown(s).
- \_\_\_\_\_ i. Loss of the tooth or teeth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. I have been fully informed that the condition of the tooth or teeth will worsen and that other systemic problems could develop ***if the procedure is not done***.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. I accept and understand ***there is NO WARRANTY or GUARANTEE as to any result and/or cure***.

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. I have had the opportunity **to discuss** the endodontic therapy, and have had an opportunity **to ask questions**, and am fully satisfied with the answers received.

\_\_\_\_\_ 9. If, during the endodontic therapy, a change in treatment is required, I authorize the doctor and the operative team to make whatever change they deem in their professional judgment is necessary. I understand that I have the right to designate the individual who will make such a decision.

Patient's Signature (or Parent/Guardian): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient's (or Parent/Guardian's) Identification: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness' Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness' Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_