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GENERAL FORM FOR REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or registration)

88-1977273
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:
None

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share
(Title of class)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Brightwood Capital Corporation I (the “Company”) is filing this registration statement on Form 10 (this “Registration Statement”) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “1934 Act”), on a voluntary basis to permit it to file an election to be regulated as a business development company (a “BDC”), under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). In this Registration Statement, each of the “Company,” “Fund,” “we,” “us,” “our,” and “Firm” refers to Brightwood Capital Corporation I and the “Investment Adviser” refers to Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, unless otherwise specified.

The Company is an “emerging growth company,” as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012. As a result, the Company is eligible to take advantage of certain reduced disclosure and other requirements that are otherwise applicable to public companies including, but not limited to, not being subject to the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. See “Item 1. Business — Emerging Growth Company” and “Item 1A – Risk Factors — Risks Relating to Our Operations — We are not currently required to have comprehensive documentation of our internal controls.”

Upon the effectiveness of this Registration Statement, we will also be subject to the proxy rules in Section 14 of the Exchange Act, and we and our directors, officers and principal stockholders will be subject to the reporting requirements of Sections 13 and 16 of the Exchange Act. Additionally, we will be subject to the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act, including the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, which will require us, among other things, to file annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and current reports on Form 8-K, and we will be required to comply with all other obligations of the Exchange Act applicable to issuers filing registration statements pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act. Stockholder reports and other information about the Company are available on the EDGAR Database on the Securities and Exchange Commission’s (“SEC”) Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov> and copies of this information may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following E-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov.

Shortly after the effectiveness of this Registration Statement, we will file an election to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. Upon filing of such election, we will become subject to the 1940 Act requirements applicable to BDCs. Following such election, we will be classified as a non-diversified investment company, which means that we may invest a higher portion of our assets in the securities of a single issuer or a few issuers. If the filing of our election fails to occur, the Company will not hold a closing and will seek to wind down. Prospective investors should note that:

- Our common stock may not be sold, offered for sale, exchanged, transferred, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of by a Stockholder without the prior written consent of the Investment Adviser;
- Our common stock is not currently listed on an exchange, and it is uncertain whether a secondary market will develop;
- repurchases of common stock by us, if any, are expected to be very limited;
- an investment in our common stock may not be suitable for investors who may need the money they invest in a specified time frame;
- Investing in the Company may be considered speculative and involves a high degree of risk (See Item 1A: “RISKS RELATING TO OUR BUSINESS: *We may suffer credit losses*”);
- The Company’s shares will not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933 and are subject to substantial restrictions on transfer;
- There will be no trading market for the shares, and investors most likely will have to hold their shares until the final liquidation of the Company. Therefore, the Company’s shares constitute illiquid investments;

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- Investment in the Company is suitable only for sophisticated investors and requires the financial ability and willingness to accept the high risks and lack of liquidity inherent in an investment in the Company;
 - If the Company makes additional offerings of its shares in the future, an investor may be required to make additional purchases of the Company’s shares on one or more dates to be determined by the Company;

- Distributions may be funded from unlimited amounts of offering proceeds or borrowings, which may constitute a return of capital and reduce the amount of capital available to the Company for investment; any capital returned to investors through distributions will be distributed after payment of fees and expenses, and will reduce a shareholder’s adjusted tax basis in its shares, thereby increasing the shareholder’s potential taxable gain or reducing the potential taxable loss on the sale of the shares;

- The privately-held companies and below-investment-grade securities in which the Company will invest will be difficult to value and are illiquid;

- The Company will elect to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act, which imposes numerous restrictions on the activities of the Company, including restrictions on leverage and on the nature of its investments;
- The Company will invest in securities that are rated below investment grade by ratings agencies or that would be rated below investment grade if they were rated; below investment grade securities, which are often referred to as “junk” have predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to the issuer’s capacity to pay interest and repay principal; and
- Certain provisions of the 1940 Act and its rules thereunder may impose certain restrictions on the ability of the Company to invest in securities of the same companies in which other clients of the Company’s Investment Adviser are invested. The Investment Adviser has filed an application with the SEC on behalf of itself and certain of its affiliated persons seeking an exemptive order from such provisions, but there can be no assurances the SEC will ultimately grant the relief sought in the exemptive application. Co-investments made under the exemptive relief, if granted, would be subject to compliance with the conditions and other requirements contained in the exemptive relief provided by the SEC.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this Registration Statement (including those relating to current and future market conditions and trends in respect thereof) that are not historical facts are based on current expectations, estimates, projections, opinions and/or beliefs of the Company, the Investment Adviser and/or its affiliates (collectively, “Brightwood”). These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about us, our current and prospective portfolio investments, our industry, our beliefs, and our assumptions. Words such as “anticipate”, “believe”, “continue”, “could”, “estimate”, “expect”, “intend”, “may”, “plan”, “potential”, “project”, “seek”, “should”, “target”, “will”, “would” or variations of these words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements contained in this Registration Statement involve risks and uncertainties.

Although we believe that the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate, and as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those assumptions also could be inaccurate. Important assumptions include our ability to originate new loans and investments, certain margins and levels of profitability and the availability of additional capital. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement in this Registration Statement should not be regarded as a representation by us that our plans and objectives will be achieved. These risks and uncertainties include those described or identified in “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in this Registration Statement. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which apply only as of the date of this Registration Statement. We do not undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements or any other information contained herein, except as required by applicable law. The safe harbor provisions of Section 21E of the 1934 Act, which preclude civil liability for certain forward- looking statements, do not apply to the forward-looking statements in this Registration Statement because we are an investment company.

The following factors are among those that may cause actual results to differ materially from the Company’s forward-looking statements:

- the Company’s future operating results;
- changes in political, economic or industry conditions, the interest rate environment or conditions affecting the financial and capital markets, including with respect to changes from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; the length and duration of the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States as well as worldwide and the magnitude of the economic impact of that outbreak;
- lack of sufficient investment opportunities;
- volatility of leveraged loan markets;
- risk of borrower default;
- the restricted nature of investment positions;
- the illiquid nature of our portfolio;
- interest rate volatility, including volatility associated with the decommissioning of LIBOR and the transition to new reference rates;
- the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Company’s business prospects and the prospects of the Company’s portfolio companies, including the Company’s and the portfolio companies’ ability to achieve their respective objectives;

- the effect of the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic on the Company’s ability to effectively manage the Company’s business and on the availability of equity and debt capital and the Company’s use of borrowed money to finance a portion of the Company’s investments;
- the Company’s business prospects and the prospects of the Company’s prospective portfolio companies;
- the impact of increased competition;
- the Company’s contractual arrangements and relationships with third parties;
- the dependence of the Company’s future success on the general economy and its impact on the industries in which the Company invests;
- the ability of the Company’s prospective portfolio companies to achieve their objectives;
- the relative and absolute performance of the Investment Adviser;
- the ability of the Investment Adviser and its affiliates to retain talented professionals;
- the Company’s expected financings and investments;
- the Company’s ability to pay dividends or make distributions;
- the adequacy of the Company’s cash resources;

- risks associated with possible disruptions due to terrorism in the Company’s operations or the economy generally;
- the impact of future acquisitions and divestitures;
- the Company’s regulatory structure and tax status as a BDC and a regulated investment company (a “RIC”); and
- future changes in laws or regulations and conditions in the Company’s operating areas.

ITEM 1. BUSINESS.

(a) General Development of Business

The Company was formed on November 15, 2021, as a Maryland corporation. We expect to conduct a private offering of our common stock (the “Shares”) to investors in reliance on exemptions from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”). We anticipate commencing our loan origination and investment activities on the date we issue Shares to persons not affiliated with the Investment Adviser, which we refer to as the “Initial Closing Date.” We expect the Initial Closing Date to occur in the third quarter of 2022, and may conduct subsequent closings (each, a “Subsequent Closing”). Shortly after the effectiveness of this Registration Statement, we intend to file with the SEC an election to be treated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. We also intend to elect to be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). As a BDC and a RIC, we are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements. See “Item 1(c). Description of Business—Regulation as a Business Development Company” and “Item 1(c). Description of Business—Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences.”

The common stock described herein has not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), the securities laws of any other state or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction. The Shares of common stock will be offered and sold under the exemption provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and Rule 506 of Regulation D promulgated thereunder and other exemptions of similar import in the laws of the states and jurisdictions where the offering will be made. Shares of common stock are being offered solely to investors that are “accredited investors” as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act.

(b) Description of Business

General

We are a business development company. Our primary focus is investing in growing small and medium-sized businesses that we believe can repay their loans and provide an attractive stream of income to investors in the process. The Company intends to target middle market private companies underserved by traditional capital sources. Its strategy will focus on opportunities within business services, franchising, healthcare, technology and

telecommunications, and transportation and logistics. Rather than solely through the mainstream broker/dealer channel, the Company will directly originate opportunities through the Adviser's proprietary investment platform.

The Company will primarily invest in portfolio companies in the form of first lien senior secured loans (including any related warrants or other equity securities of such portfolio companies). These senior secured loans typically provide for cash interest and amortization payments throughout the life of the loan. The Company generally obtains security interests in the assets of its portfolio companies that serve as collateral in support of the repayment of these loans. The Company does not intend to invest in second lien or mezzanine debt investments. We may make investments through wholly owned subsidiaries. Such subsidiaries are expected to be organized as corporations or limited liability companies and will not be registered under the 1940 Act. These subsidiaries may be formed to obtain favorable tax benefits or to obtain financing on favorable terms due to their bankruptcy-remote characteristics. Our board of directors (the "Board") has oversight responsibility for our investment activities, including our investment in any such subsidiary, and our role as sole shareholder of any such subsidiary. To the extent applicable to the investment activities of a subsidiary, the subsidiary will follow the same compliance policies and procedures as the Company. We would "look through" any such subsidiary to determine compliance with our investment policies, and would generally expect to consolidate any such wholly-owned subsidiary for purposes of our financial statements and compliance with the 1940 Act. Furthermore, we intend to comply with the current requirements under the Code and Treasury Regulations (defined below) for income derived from our investment in the subsidiary to be treated as "qualifying income" from which a RIC must derive at least 90% of its annual gross income. See "*—Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.*"

The investments that we intend to invest in are almost entirely unrated or rated below investment grade, which are often referred to as "leveraged loans", "high yield" or "junk" debt investments, and may be considered "high risk" or speculative compared to debt investments that are rated investment grade. Such issuers are considered more likely than investment grade issuers to default on their payments of interest and principal, and such risk of default could reduce our net asset value and income distributions.

Because we intend to qualify as a RIC under the Code, our portfolio will be subject to diversification and other requirements. See "*—Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.*"

In accordance with the 1940 Act as presently in effect, BDCs generally are prohibited from incurring additional leverage to the extent it would cause them to have less than a 150% asset coverage ratio, reflecting approximately a 2:1 debt to equity ratio, taking into account the then current fair value of their investments.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 100% of the Stockholders' Capital Commitments. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 125% (measured at any point of time) of the Stockholders' Capital Commitments.

The Investment Adviser

The Company's investment activities will be managed by Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC (the "Investment Adviser"). The Investment Adviser is a Delaware limited liability company that is registered as an investment adviser with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Advisers Act"). The Investment Adviser manages our day-to-day operations and provides us with investment advisory and management services pursuant to the investment advisory and management agreement (the "Investment Advisory Agreement") by and between the Investment Adviser and us. In particular, the Investment Adviser is responsible for identifying attractive investment opportunities, conducting research and due diligence on prospective investments, structuring our investments and monitoring and servicing our investments. Furthermore, pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser may also provide certain administrative services to the Company not otherwise provided by the Administrator (as defined below).

The Investment Adviser will make a Capital Commitment to the Company equal to one percent (1%) of the total Capital Commitments on or prior to the initial closing.

The Administrator

We will enter into an administration agreement (the "Administration Agreement") with Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (in such capacity, the "Administrator"), under which the Administrator will provide administrative services for us, including arranging office facilities for us and providing office equipment and clerical, bookkeeping and recordkeeping services at such facilities. Under the Administration Agreement, the Administrator will also perform, or oversee the performance of, our required administrative services, which includes being responsible for the financial records which we are required to maintain and preparing reports to our Stockholders and reports filed with the SEC and providing the services of our chief financial officer, chief compliance officer, and their respective staffs. In addition, the Administrator will assist us in determining and publishing our net asset value, overseeing the preparation and filing of tax returns and the printing and dissemination of reports to our Stockholders, and generally overseeing the payment of our expenses and the performance of administrative and professional services rendered to us by others. The Administrator may also provide on our behalf managerial assistance to our portfolio companies.

To the extent (i) “Benefit Plan Investors” (as defined below) hold 25% or more of our outstanding Shares, and (ii) we do not operate the Company as a “venture capital operating company”, our Administrator will outsource certain of its administrative functions, including among other things, those relating to the valuation of our investment portfolio, to one or more independent valuation firms (each, a “Valuation Agent”). In addition, during such time period, our Administrator generally will not be entitled to reimbursement for our allocable portion of the compensation of, or other expenses pertaining to, any personnel employed by the Administrator or any of its affiliates that may perform services for us (including our chief financial officer, chief compliance officer and their respective staffs), nor will the Administrator be entitled to reimbursement for our allocable portion of its overhead expenses during such period. To the extent (i) Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of our Shares or (ii) we operate the Company as a “venture capital operating company”, we will reimburse the Administrator for the allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by it in performing its obligations to us under the Administration Agreement, including the compensation of our chief financial officer and chief compliance officer, and their respective staffs.

Competition

We will compete for investments with a number of BDCs and investment funds (including private equity and hedge funds), as well as traditional financial services companies such as commercial banks and other sources of financing. Many of these entities have greater financial and managerial resources than we do. We believe we will be able to be competitive with these entities primarily on the basis of the experience and contacts of our management team, our responsive and efficient investment analysis and decision-making processes, the investment terms we offer, the model that we employ to perform our due diligence and our model of investing in companies and industries we know well.

We believe that some of our competitors may make investments with interest rates and returns that are comparable to or lower than the rates and returns that we target. Therefore, we do not seek to compete solely on the interest rates and returns that we offer to potential portfolio companies. For additional information concerning the competitive risks we face, see Item 1A.—*Risk Factors*.

Investment Objective and Strategy

The Company has adopted the following business strategies to achieve the Company’s investment objectives:

- target middle market private companies underserved by traditional capital sources;
- largely focus on five areas of industry, or “core verticals”, in which it will invest – business services, franchising, healthcare, technology and telecommunications, and transportation and logistics;
- directly originate opportunities through the Adviser’s proprietary investment platform rather than rely solely on the mainstream broker/dealer channel;
- concentrate capital in secured term loans to generate current income with strong downside protection; and
- capture origination fees and other fee income to increase the total return.

The Company primarily invests in portfolio companies in the form of first lien senior secured loans. These senior secured loans typically provide for cash interest and amortization payments throughout the life of the loan. The Company generally obtains security interests in the assets of its portfolio companies that serve as collateral in support of the repayment of these loans. Our investments may also include original issue discount (“OID”) instruments, such as zero coupon bonds and loans with contractual payment-in-kind (“PIK”) interest, which represents contractual interest added to a loan balance and due at the end of such loan’s term.

Typically, the Company’s senior secured loans have final maturities of four to six years. To preserve an acceptable return on investment in case of early repayment, the Adviser seeks to structure these loans with prepayment premiums. The Company will not invest greater than \$25 million in any single investment, measured at the time of investment.

Underwriting and Monitoring

The Adviser employs a rigorous underwriting process entailing an exhaustive sequence of processes prior to opportunities being submitted to the relevant Investment Committee (as defined below) for approval and continuing until realization. The process by which opportunities are originated, underwritten, approved, monitored, and ultimately exited entails a series of checks and balances to invite scrutiny and debate at each phase.

Phase	Checks & Balances
Origination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Investment Team (the personnel at the Adviser engaged in the investment process) obtains investment opportunities from many sources that are carefully reviewed and screened against its proprietary metrics to determine whether they merit further consideration
Underwriting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Investment Team conducts due diligence and analysis of investment opportunities Any of Brightwood's Network Advisers engaged by the Adviser from among its limited partners with operating expertise in its target markets or other industry contacts participate in diligence process The Investment Committee provides majority consent on all investments Moody's, S&P or DBRS provide credit estimates for investment opportunities
Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Risk Team performs ongoing portfolio monitoring Third party valuation services provide valuations for each portfolio investment on a quarterly basis
Exits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chief Credit Officer oversees all workouts and restructurings

The Adviser has long-term relationships with industry participants, consultants and management teams in the industries the Company is targeting, as well as substantial information concerning those industries. The Adviser deploys significant resources in originating investment opportunities from family-, founder- and entrepreneur-owned businesses with EBITDA of \$25 million to \$75 million. This strategy differs considerably from larger rivals focusing attention solely on private equity or sponsor-controlled companies with EBITDA exceeding \$75 million. The Adviser pursues this growing niche within the middle market as other lenders aggressively pursue a "sponsor coverage" model.

The attractiveness of an investment is determined by its risk adjusted return profile. The Adviser measures risk in several ways including financial leverage, loan-to-value and probability of default by the borrower.

These direct investments enable the Adviser to perform in-depth due diligence and play an active role in structuring financings. The Adviser believes that effectuating the transaction terms and having greater insight into a portfolio company's operations and financial picture assist the Adviser in minimizing downside potential, while reinforcing the Adviser as a trusted partner that delivers comprehensive financing solutions.

The Adviser intends to use a disciplined investment and risk management process in connection with the Fund that emphasizes fundamental research and a rigorous analytical framework. The Company will scale its investments so that the larger sized positions represent less risk than the smaller sized positions. At the same time, the Investment Advisor will take into consideration a variety of factors in managing the Company's portfolio and impose portfolio-based risk constraints promoting a more diverse portfolio of investments and limiting issuer and industry concentration. The Adviser's value-oriented investment philosophy will focus on preserving capital and ensuring that the Company's investments have an appropriate return profile in relation to risk.

The Adviser believes it is critical to conduct extensive due diligence on investment targets. In evaluating new investments, the Company will aim to conduct a rigorous due diligence process that draws upon investment experience, industry expertise and a network of contacts of the Adviser's senior underwriting professionals, as well as the other members of the Investment and Risk Teams. Among other things, The Adviser's due diligence is designed to ensure that a prospective portfolio company will be able to meet its debt service obligations. The Adviser's diligence process is typically four to six weeks. In conducting due diligence, the Adviser does an extensive review of the business supplemented by publicly available information as well as information from relationships with former and current management teams, consultants, competitors and investment bankers. The Adviser's due diligence methodology further allows it to screen a high volume of potential investment opportunities on a consistent and thorough basis.

The Adviser monitors its portfolio companies on an ongoing basis. For example, the Investment Team continues to be involved in monitoring and staying abreast of developments and opportunities affecting each portfolio company. In addition, post investment, formal monitoring of each company is conducted by the Risk Team under the supervision of the Chief Credit Officer.

The Adviser has several methods of evaluating and monitoring the performance and fair value of its investments, which include the following:

- assessment of success in adhering to each portfolio company's business plan and compliance with covenants;
- periodic and regular contact with portfolio company management and, if appropriate, the financial or strategic sponsor, to discuss financial position, requirements and accomplishments;
- comparisons to other Adviser portfolio companies in the industry, if any;
- attendance at, and participation in, board meetings and lender's calls; and
- review of quarterly financial statements and financial projections for portfolio companies.

Mandatory reports from portfolio companies typically include the following: (i) a quarterly financial reporting package including financial statements and (ii) annual audited financial statements presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. These reports are presented in U.S. dollars and used to monitor financial results, identify and evaluate variances from approved budget and the Adviser's internal projection model, analyze key operating metrics and compare to industry standards. The overall goal is to receive sufficient information on a timely basis so that the Adviser is in a position to identify potential issues early. The Adviser's periodic calls with management also help to identify issues before they arise.

Exit Strategies/Refinancing

We expect that the Company's realization alternatives for its investments may include: (a) proceeds from a refinancing; (b) proceeds from any private equity capital raised; (c) the sale of non-core assets or subsidiaries; (d) sale by the Company; (e) the sale of the portfolio company; (f) the public or private offering of debt or equity including, without limitation, collateralized loan obligations; and (g) the repayment of principal. The Company intends to identify a range of exit strategies for the Company at the time of the Company's initial investment. To seek further protection, the Company intends to build realization features into the documentation of each investment that may include: (i) put/repurchase rights on warrants, preferred and common shares; (ii) registration rights; and (iii) tag along and drag along rights. The Company believes this broad range of exit alternatives will improve the ability of the Company both to preserve capital and to realize its investments in difficult economic times, increasing the likelihood that such structured investments will be a sound investment strategy in all economic cycles.

Valuation of Portfolio Securities

At all times consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), the 1940 Act and ERISA, if applicable, we will conduct a valuation of our assets, pursuant to which our net asset value is determined.

We will value our assets on a quarterly basis, or more frequently if required under the 1940 Act. For purposes of the 1940 Act, our Board is ultimately and solely responsible for determining the fair value of our portfolio investments on a quarterly basis in good faith, including investments that are not publicly traded, those whose market prices are not readily available and any other situation where our portfolio investments require a fair value determination. Security transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis.

For all valuations, the Valuation Committee of our Board, which consists solely of directors who are not "interested persons" of the Company, as such term is used under the 1940 Act (the "Independent Directors"), will review these preliminary valuations and our Board, a majority of whom are Independent Directors, will discuss the valuations and determine the fair value of each investment in the portfolio in good faith.

To the extent (i) Benefit Plan Investors hold 25% or more of our outstanding Shares, and (ii) we do not operate the Company as a "venture capital operating company", one or more valuation agents ("Valuation Agents") will be engaged to independently value our investments.

Regulation as a Business Development Company

A BDC must be organized in the United States for the purpose of investing in or lending to primarily private companies and making significant managerial assistance available to them. As with other companies regulated by the 1940 Act, a BDC must adhere to certain substantive regulatory requirements.

SEC Reporting

The Company is subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, which includes annual and periodic reporting requirements.

Governance

The Company is a corporation and, as such, is governed by a board of directors. The directors are subject to removal by holders of a majority of the Company's outstanding voting securities. The 1940 Act requires that a majority of the Company's directors be persons other than "interested persons," as that term is defined in the 1940 Act. In addition, the 1940 Act provides that the Company may not change the nature of its business so as to cease to be, or to withdraw its election as, a BDC unless approved by the holders of a majority of the outstanding voting securities.

1940 Act Ownership Restrictions

The Company does not intend to acquire securities issued by any investment company that exceed the limits imposed by the 1940 Act. Under these limits, except for registered money market funds, a BDC generally cannot acquire more than 3% of the voting stock of any investment company, invest more than 5% of the value of its total assets in the securities of one investment company or invest more than 10% of the value of its total assets in the securities of investment companies in the aggregate. Subject to certain exemptive rules, including Rule 12d1-4, the Company may, subject to certain conditions, invest in other investment companies in excess of such thresholds.

Qualifying Assets

We may invest up to 100% of our assets in securities acquired directly from, and/or loans originated directly to, issuers in privately-negotiated transactions.

Under the 1940 Act, a BDC may not acquire any asset other than assets of the type listed in section 55(a) of the 1940 Act, which are referred to as qualifying assets, unless, at the time the acquisition is made and after giving effect to such acquisition, qualifying assets represent at least 70% of the BDC's total assets. The principal categories of qualifying assets relevant to the Company's business are the following:

- Securities purchased in transactions not involving any public offering from the issuer of such securities, which issuer (subject to certain limited exceptions) is an "eligible portfolio company" (as defined in the 1940 Act), or from any person who is, or has been during the preceding 13 months, an affiliated person of an eligible portfolio company, or from any other person, subject to such rules as may be prescribed by the SEC. An eligible portfolio company is defined in the 1940 Act as any issuer which:

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- is organized under the laws of, and has its principal place of business in, the United States;
- is not an investment company (other than a small business investment company wholly owned by the Company) or a company that would be an investment company but for certain exclusions under the 1940 Act; and
- satisfies any of the following:
- has an equity capitalization of less than \$250 million or does not have any class of securities listed on a national securities exchange;
- is controlled by a BDC or a group of companies including a BDC, the BDC actually exercises a controlling influence over the management or policies of the eligible portfolio company, and, as a result thereof, the BDC has an affiliated person who is a director of the eligible portfolio company; or
- is a small and solvent company having total assets of not more than \$4 million and capital and surplus of not less than \$2 million.
- Securities of any eligible portfolio company that the Company controls.

- Securities purchased in a private transaction from a U.S. issuer that is not an investment company or from an affiliated person of the issuer, or in transactions incident thereto, if the issuer is in bankruptcy and subject to reorganization or if the issuer, immediately prior to the purchase of its securities was unable to meet its obligations as they came due without material assistance other than conventional lending or financing arrangements.

- Securities of an eligible portfolio company purchased from any person in a private transaction if there is no ready market for such securities and the Company already owns 60% of the outstanding equity of the eligible portfolio company.

- Securities received in exchange for or distributed on or with respect to securities described above, or pursuant to the exercise of options, warrants or rights relating to such securities.

- Cash, cash equivalents, "U.S. Government securities" (as defined in the 1940 Act) or high-quality debt securities maturing in one year or less from the time of investment.

Plan Assets

U.S. Department of Labor Regulation Section 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA (the "Plan Assets Regulation") describes what constitutes the assets of a Plan (i.e., (i) employee benefit plans (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that are subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) plans subject to Section 4975 of the Code, including individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, and (iii) any entities whose underlying assets include plan assets by reason of a plan's investment in such entities) with respect to the Plan's investment in an entity for purposes of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Assets Regulation, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity that is not a "publicly offered security" (as discussed below) then the Plan's assets will include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the underlying assets of the entity, unless either (i) the entity is an "operating company" or (ii) equity participation in the entity by Benefit Plan Investors is not "significant," each as discussed below. Under the Plan Assets Regulation, investment in an entity is "significant" if participation by Benefit Plan Investors equals or exceeds 25% of any class of equity of the Company. For these purposes, the term "Benefit Plan Investor" is defined as (a) any employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA, (b) any "plan" as defined in and subject to Section 4975 of the Code, and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include Plan assets by

reason of a Plan's investment in the entity. For purposes of the 25% determination, the value of equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or that provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any affiliate of such person (each of the foregoing, a "Controlling Person") is disregarded.

Under the Plan Assets Regulation, an entity is an "operating company" if it is primarily engaged directly or through majority-owned subsidiaries, in the production or sale of a product or service other than the investment of capital. The Plan Assets Regulation provides that the term "operating company" includes an entity that is a "venture capital operating company," or "VCOC." Generally, in order to qualify as a VCOC, an entity, on its "initial valuation date" and annually thereafter on one day during each of its "annual valuation periods," must have at least 50% of its assets, valued at cost (other than short-term investments pending long-term commitment), invested in operating companies (other than VCOCs) in which such entity has obtained direct and otherwise sufficient contractual management rights. In addition, the entity must, in the ordinary course of business, actually exercise such management rights with respect to at least one of the operating companies in which it invests.

The Plan Assets Regulation defines a "publicly-offered security" as a security that is "widely held," "freely transferable," and either part of a class of securities registered under the Exchange Act or sold pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act if the securities are registered under the Exchange Act within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year of the issuer during which the public offering occurred. For these purposes, a security is considered "widely held" only if it is part of a class of securities that is owned by 100 or more investors that are independent of the issuer and of one another. A security will not fail to be "widely held" because the number of independent investors falls below 100 subsequent to the initial offering as a result of events beyond the issuer's control. In addition, the Plan Assets Regulation provides that whether a security is "freely transferable" is a factual question to be determined on the basis of all relevant facts and circumstances. The Plan Assets Regulation further provides that, when a security is part of an offering in which the minimum investment is \$10,000 or less, as is the case with the Private Offering, certain restrictions ordinarily will not, alone or in combination, affect the finding that such securities are "freely transferable." It is noted that the Plan Assets Regulation only establishes a presumption in favor of the finding of free transferability where the restrictions are consistent with the particular types of restrictions listed in the Plan Assets Regulation.

Until such time as Common Shares constitute a "publicly-offered security" under the Plan Assets Regulation, the Advisor intends to operate the Company so that the assets of the Company will not be considered "plan assets." In that regard, the Advisor will either (i) endeavor to comply with the requirements applicable to VCOCs or (ii) seek to limit investment in the Company by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of each class of equity interests in the Company, based upon assurance provided by investors. In the event that the Advisor seeks to limit investment by Benefit Plan Investors to comply with such 25% limitation, the Company may take certain actions to ensure compliance with such restriction, including requiring one or more Benefit Plan Investors to sell shares to other stockholders or a third party, reducing Capital Commitments of Benefit Plan Investors or redeeming of all or a portion of the shares held by a Benefit Plan Investor. In circumstances in which investment by Benefit Plan Investors in the Company is or may become "significant" and no other exception under the Plan Assets Regulation is available, other remedial measures may also apply.

Prior to accepting funds to purchase Common Shares from any investor, the investor will be required to make certain representations in its Subscription Agreement with respect to ERISA matters, including whether the investor is, or is not and will not be, a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person.

Insurance Company General Accounts. Any insurance company proposing to invest assets of its general account in the Company should consider the extent to which such investment would be subject to the requirements of ERISA in light of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. v. Harris Trust and Savings Bank* and under any subsequent legislation or other guidance that has or may become available relating to that decision.

Governmental, Church and Non-U.S. Plans. Governmental plans, certain church plans and non-U.S. plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to federal, state, local, non-U.S. or other laws and regulations that are similar to such provisions of ERISA and the Code. Fiduciaries of such plans should consult with their own counsel before purchasing shares of the Company's Common Shares.

The foregoing discussion of certain aspects of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code is based upon ERISA, judicial decisions, U.S. Department of Labor regulations, rulings and opinions in existence on the date hereof, all of which are subject to change and should not be construed as legal advice. This summary is general in nature and does not address every issue that may be applicable to the Company or to a particular investor. Fiduciaries of employee benefit plans should consult with their own counsel with respect to issues arising under ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code or other applicable law and make their own independent investment decision.

Limitations on Leverage

As a BDC, we generally must have at least 150% asset coverage for its debt after incurring any new indebtedness, meaning that the total value of our assets, less existing debt, must be at least twice the amount of the debt (i.e., 200% leverage). If the Company is licensed as an SBIC, the limitations on leverage applicable to BDCs under the 1940 Act may be exceeded.

The Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 100% of the Stockholders' Capital Commitments. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 125% (measured at any point of time) of the Stockholders' Capital Commitments.

Managerial Assistance to Portfolio Companies

A BDC must be operated for the purpose of making investments in the types of securities described in “—Qualifying Assets” above. However, in order to count portfolio securities as qualifying assets for the purpose of the 70% test, the BDC must either control the issuer of the securities or must offer to make available to the issuer of the securities (other than small and solvent companies described above) significant managerial assistance. Where the BDC purchases such securities in conjunction with one or more other persons acting together, the BDC will satisfy this test if one of the other persons in the group makes available such managerial assistance. Making available managerial assistance means, among other things, any arrangement whereby the BDC, through its directors, officers or employees, offers to provide, and, if accepted, does so provide, significant guidance and counsel concerning the management, operations or business objectives and policies of a portfolio company.

Temporary Investments

As a BDC, pending investment in other types of “qualifying assets,” as described above, our investments may consist of cash, cash equivalents, U.S. Government securities or high-quality debt securities maturing in one year or less from the time of investment, which are referred to, collectively, as temporary investments, such that at least 70% of our assets are qualifying assets. Typically, we will invest in highly rated commercial paper, U.S. Government agency notes, U.S. Treasury bills or in repurchase agreements relating to such securities that are fully collateralized by cash or securities issued by the U.S. Government or its agencies. A repurchase agreement involves the purchase by a Stockholder, such as the Company, of a specified security and the simultaneous agreement by the seller to repurchase it at an agreed-upon future date and at a price that is greater than the purchase price by an amount that reflects an agreed-upon interest rate. There is no percentage restriction on the proportion of our assets that may be invested in such repurchase agreements. However, certain diversification tests in order to qualify as a RIC for federal income tax purposes will typically require us to limit the amount we invest with any one counterparty.

Senior Securities

As a corporation, the Company will be permitted, under specified conditions, to issue multiple classes of indebtedness and one class of stock senior to its common stock if the Company's asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, is at least equal to 150% for indebtedness and 200% for preferred equity immediately after each such issuance. In addition, while any preferred stock or publicly traded debt securities are outstanding, the Company may be prohibited from making distributions to its Stockholders or the repurchasing of such securities or shares unless it meets the applicable asset coverage ratios at the time of the distribution or repurchase. The Company may also borrow amounts up to 5% of the value of its total assets for temporary or emergency purposes without regard to asset coverage. For a discussion of the risks associated with leverage, see “Item 1A. Risk Factors.” The 1940 Act imposes limitations on a BDC's issuance of preferred shares, which are considered “senior securities” subject to the 200% asset coverage requirement described above. In addition, (i) preferred shares must have the same voting rights as the common Stockholders (one share one vote); and (ii) preferred Stockholders must have the right, as a class, to appoint directors to the Board.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 100% of the Stockholders' Capital Commitments. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 125% (measured at any point of time) of the Stockholders' Capital Commitments.

Code of Ethics

As a BDC, the Company and the Investment Adviser must adopt a code of ethics pursuant to Rule 17j-1 under the 1940 Act that establishes procedures for personal investments and restricts certain personal securities transactions. Personnel subject to each code may invest in securities for their personal investment accounts, including securities that may be purchased or held by the Company, so long as such investments are made in accordance with the code's requirements.

Anti-Takeover Measures

Maryland General Corporation Law, or the MGCL, as well as the Company's Certificate of Incorporation and bylaws will include provisions that could have the effect of limiting the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Company by means of a tender offer, proxy contest

or otherwise or to change the composition of the Company's Board. These provisions are expected to discourage certain coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids and to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of the Company to negotiate first with the Board. These measures, however, may delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change in control that might otherwise be in the best interests of the Company's Stockholders and could have the effect of depriving Stockholders of an opportunity to sell their Shares at a premium over prevailing market prices. Such attempts could have the effect of increasing the Company's expenses and disrupting its normal operation. Unless or until the consummation of an IPO, the Company will continue its investment activities and operations as a privately held BDC whose shares are subject to transfer restrictions as further described in see "Item 11. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered—Transferability of Shares." Accordingly, these anti-takeover measures will have limited practical effect until such time as the Company consummates an IPO.

Compliance Policies and Procedures and Other Considerations

As a BDC, the Company will not generally be able to issue and sell its common stock at a price below net asset value per share. It may, however, issue and sell its common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of the common stock, or issue and sell warrants, options or rights to acquire such common stock, at a price below the current net asset value of the common stock if the Company's Board determines that such sale is in the Company's best interest and in the best interests of its Stockholders, and its Stockholders have approved the policy and practice of making such sales within the preceding 12 months. In any such case, the price at which the securities are to be issued and sold may not be less than a price that, in the determination of the Board, closely approximates the market value of such securities.

As a BDC, the Company may also be prohibited under the 1940 Act from knowingly participating in certain transactions with its affiliates, including the Company's officers, directors, investment adviser, principal underwriters and certain of their affiliates, without the prior approval of the members of Board who are not interested persons and, in some cases, prior approval by the SEC through an exemptive order (other than pursuant to current regulatory guidance). Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Company will be permitted to co-invest with any other funds managed by the Adviser or its affiliates, other than in the limited circumstances currently permitted by regulatory guidance.

As a BDC, the Company expects to be periodically examined by the SEC for compliance with the 1940 Act.

As a BDC, the Company will be required to provide and maintain a bond issued by a reputable fidelity insurance company to protect the Company against larceny and embezzlement.

The Investment Adviser has relief from registration with the CFTC as a CPO with respect to the Company, and the Investment Adviser is exempt from registration with the CFTC as a CTA with respect to the Company and will therefore not be required to provide Stockholders with certified annual reports and other disclosure documents that satisfy the requirements of CFTC rules applicable to registered CPOs and CTAs.

The Company and the Investment Adviser will adopt and implement written policies and procedures reasonably designed to detect and prevent violation of the federal securities laws. As a BDC, the Company will be required to review these compliance policies and procedures annually for their adequacy and the effectiveness of their implementation and designate a chief compliance officer to be responsible for administering the policies and procedures.

Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act imposes a wide variety of regulatory requirements on publicly-held companies and their insiders. Many of these requirements will affect the Company. For example:

- pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Exchange Act, the President and Chief Financial Officer must certify the accuracy of the financial statements contained in the Company's periodic reports;
- pursuant to Item 307 of Regulation S-K, the Company's periodic reports must disclose the Company's conclusions about the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures;
- pursuant to Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act, the Company's management must prepare an annual report regarding its assessment of the Company's internal control over financial reporting and (once the Company ceases to be an emerging growth company under the JOBS Act or, if later, for the year following the Company's first annual report required to be filed with the SEC) must obtain an audit of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting performed by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm; and
- pursuant to Item 308 of Regulation S-K and Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act, the Company's periodic reports must disclose whether there were significant changes in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires the Company to review the Company's current policies and procedures to determine whether the Company will comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder. The Company will continue to monitor the Company's compliance with all regulations that are adopted under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and will take actions necessary to ensure that the Company is in compliance therewith.

Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

The Company will delegate proxy voting responsibility to the Investment Adviser. As a fiduciary, the Investment Adviser has a duty to monitor corporate events and to vote proxies (in accordance with applicable law, including ERISA), as well as a duty to cast votes in the best interest of the Company and not to subrogate Company interests to its own interests. To meet its fiduciary obligations, the Investment Adviser seeks to ensure that it votes proxies in the best interest of the Company, and the Investment Adviser's proxy voting policy addresses how the Investment Adviser will resolve any conflict of interest that may arise when voting proxies. The Investment Adviser's proxy voting policy attempts to generalize a complex subject and the Investment Adviser may, from time to time, determine that it is in the best interests of the Company to depart from specific policies described therein.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for processing all proxy notifications received by the Investment Adviser. All proxy voting requests received are forwarded to the appropriate contact person at the Investment Adviser that is responsible for monitoring the issuer. The appropriate contact person at the Investment Adviser communicates the proxy voting decision to the Investment Adviser. The Investment Adviser shall keep a record of its proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy statements received and votes cast, in accordance with its record keeping policies. The trade operations department is responsible for maintaining records with respect to proxy voting.

Reporting Obligations

The Company will be required to comply with periodic reporting requirements under the Exchange Act, and, will make available to Stockholders annual reports containing audited financial statements, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and such other reports as the Company determines to be appropriate or as may be required by law. The Company is filing this Registration Statement with the SEC voluntarily with the intention of establishing the Company as a reporting company under the Exchange Act. Upon the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 Registration Statement under the Exchange Act, the Company will be required to comply with all reporting, proxy solicitation and other applicable requirements under the Exchange Act.

Stockholder reports and other information about the Company are available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov> and copies of this information may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following E-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov.

Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following discussion is a general summary of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to us and an investment in Shares. The discussion is based upon the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder ("Treasury Regulations"), the legislative history of the Code, current administrative interpretations and practices of the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") and judicial decisions, each as of the date of this prospectus and all of which are subject to change or differing interpretations, possibly retroactively, which could affect the continuing validity of this discussion. The U.S. federal income tax laws addressed in this summary are highly technical and complex, and certain aspects of their application to us are not completely clear. In addition, certain U.S. federal income tax consequences described in this summary depend upon certain factual matters, including (without limitation) the value and tax basis ascribed to our assets and the manner in which we operate, and certain complicated tax accounting calculations. We have not sought, and will not seek, any ruling from the IRS regarding any matter discussed in this summary, and this summary is not binding on the IRS. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not assert, and a court will not sustain, a position contrary to any of the tax consequences discussed below. This summary does not purport to be a complete description of all the tax aspects affecting us and our Stockholders. For example, this summary does not describe all U.S. federal income tax consequences that may be relevant to certain types of Stockholders subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax laws, including Stockholders subject to the alternative minimum tax, tax-exempt organizations, insurance companies, partnerships or other pass-through entities and their owners, persons subject to Section 1061 of the Code, persons that hold Shares through a foreign financial institution, persons that hold Shares through a non-financial foreign entity, Non-U.S. Stockholders (as defined below) engaged in a trade or business in the U.S. or Non-U.S. Stockholders entitled to claim the benefits of an applicable income tax treaty, persons who have ceased to be U.S. citizens or to be taxed as resident aliens, persons holding our Shares in connection with a hedging, straddle, conversion or other integrated transaction, dealers in securities, a trader in securities that elects to use a market-to-market method of accounting for its securities holdings, pension plans and trusts, and financial institutions. This summary assumes that Stockholders hold our Shares as capital assets for U.S. federal income tax purposes (generally, assets held for investment). This summary generally does not discuss any aspects of U.S. estate or gift tax or foreign, state or local tax. It does not discuss the special treatment under U.S. federal income tax laws that could result if we invested in tax-exempt securities or certain other investment assets.

A "U.S. Stockholder" generally is a beneficial owner of Shares that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

- A citizen or individual resident of the U.S.;
- A corporation, or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, created or organized in or under the laws of the U.S. or any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

- A trust if (i) a court within the U.S. is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantive decisions of the trust, or (ii) the trust has in effect a valid election to be treated as a domestic trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes; or
- An estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source.

A “Non-U.S. Stockholder” generally is a beneficial owner of Shares that is not a U.S. Stockholder or a partnership (or an entity or arrangement treated as a partnership) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

If a partnership, or other entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, holds Shares, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the partnership and each partner generally will depend on the status of the partner, the activities of the partnership and certain determinations made at the partner level. A Stockholder that is a partnership holding Shares, and each partner in such a partnership, should consult his, her or its own tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of Shares.

Tax matters are very complicated and the tax consequences to each Stockholder of an investment in Shares will depend on the facts of his, her or its particular situation. You should consult your own tax adviser regarding the specific consequences of such an investment, including tax reporting requirements, the applicability of federal, state, local and foreign tax laws, eligibility for the benefits of any applicable income tax treaty and the effect of any possible changes in the tax laws.

Taxation as a Regulated Investment Company

We intend to elect, and intend to qualify annually, as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. As a RIC, we generally will not pay corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on any net ordinary income or capital gains that we timely distribute to our Stockholders as dividends. Rather, dividends distributed by us generally will be taxable to our Stockholders, and any net operating losses, foreign tax credits and other tax attributes of ours generally will not pass through to our Stockholders, subject to certain exceptions and special rules for certain items such as net capital gains and qualified dividend income recognized by us. See “—Taxation of U.S. Stockholders” and “—Taxation of Non-U.S. Stockholders” below.

To qualify as a RIC, we must, among other things, meet certain source-of-income and asset diversification requirements (as described below). In addition, to be eligible to be taxed as a RIC, we must distribute to our Stockholders, for each taxable year, at least 90% of our “investment company taxable income”, which is generally our net ordinary income plus the excess of realized net short-term capital gains over realized net long-term capital losses (the “Annual Distribution Requirement”).

If we:

- qualify as a RIC; and
- satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement,

then we will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the portion of our income that is timely distributed (or is deemed to be timely distributed) to our Stockholders. If we fail to qualify as a RIC, we will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at the regular corporate rates on our income and capital gains.

We will be subject to a 4% nondeductible U.S. federal excise tax on certain undistributed income unless we distribute in a timely manner an amount at least equal to the sum of (1) 98% of our net ordinary income for each calendar year, (2) 98.2% of our capital gain net income for the one-year period ending October 31 in that calendar year and (3) any income and gain recognized, but not distributed and on which we did not pay corporate-level U.S. federal income tax, in preceding years (the “Excise Tax Avoidance Requirement”). While we intend to make distributions to our Stockholders in each taxable year that will be sufficient to avoid any U.S. federal excise tax on our earnings, there can be no assurance that we will be successful in entirely avoiding this tax.

In order to qualify as a RIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we must, among other things:

- continue to qualify as a BDC under the 1940 Act at all times during each taxable year;
- derive in each taxable year at least 90% of our gross income from dividends, interest, payments with respect to loans of certain securities, gains from the sale of stock or other securities or foreign currencies, net income from certain “qualified publicly traded partnerships”, or other income derived with respect to our business of investing in such stock or securities (the “90% Income Test”); and
- diversify our holdings so that at the end of each quarter of the taxable year:
 - at least 50% of the value of our assets consists of cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities, securities of other RICs, and other securities if such other securities of any one issuer do not represent more than 5% of the value of our assets or more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of the issuer; and
 - no more than 25% of the value of our assets is invested in the securities, other than U.S. government securities or securities of other RICs, of: (1) one issuer, (2) two or more issuers that are controlled, as determined under applicable Code rules, by us and that are engaged in the same or similar or related trades, or (3) businesses or of certain “qualified publicly traded partnerships” (the “Diversification Tests”).

A RIC is limited in its ability to deduct expenses in excess of its “investment company taxable income” (which is, generally, ordinary income plus the excess of realized net short-term capital gains over realized net long-term capital losses). If our expenses in a given year exceed our investment company taxable income, we would experience a net operating loss for that year. However, a RIC is not permitted to carry forward net operating losses to subsequent years and such net operating losses do not pass through to its Stockholders. In addition, expenses can be used only to offset investment company taxable income, not net capital gain. A RIC may not use any net capital losses (that is, realized capital losses in excess of realized capital gains) to offset the RIC’s investment company taxable income, but may carry forward such losses, and use them to offset capital gains, indefinitely. Due to these limits on the deductibility of expenses and net capital losses, we may for tax purposes have aggregate taxable income for several years that we are required to distribute and that is taxable to its Stockholders even if such income is greater than the aggregate net income we actually earned during those years.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, we may be required to include in our taxable income certain amounts that we have not yet received in cash. For example, if we hold debt obligations that are treated under applicable tax rules as having original issue discount (such as debt instruments with PIK interest or, in certain cases, increasing interest rates or issued with warrants), we must include in our taxable income in each year the portion of the original issue discount that accrues over the life of the obligation, regardless of whether cash representing such income is received by us in the same taxable year. We may also have to include in our taxable income other amounts that we have not yet received in cash, such as accruals on a contingent payment debt instrument or deferred loan origination fees that are paid after origination of the loan or are paid in non-cash compensation such as warrants or stock. Because original issue discount or other amounts accrued will be included in our investment company taxable income for the year of accrual and before we receive any corresponding cash payments, we may be required to make a distribution to our Stockholders in order to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement, even though we would not have received any corresponding cash payment.

Accordingly, to enable us to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement, we may need to sell some of our assets at times and/or at prices that we would not consider advantageous, we may need to raise additional equity or debt capital or we may need to forego new investment opportunities or otherwise take actions that are disadvantageous to our business (or be unable to take actions that are advantageous to our business). If we are unable to obtain cash from other sources to enable us to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement, we may fail to qualify for the U.S. federal income tax benefits allowable to RICs and, thus, become subject to a corporate level U.S. federal income tax (and any applicable state and local taxes).

We may be prevented by financial covenants contained in our debt financing agreements, if any, from making distributions to our Stockholders. In addition, under the 1940 Act, we are generally not permitted to make distributions to our Stockholders while our debt obligations and other senior securities are outstanding unless certain “asset coverage” tests are met. See “—Senior Securities”, below. Limits on distributions to our Stockholders may prevent us from satisfying the Annual Distribution Requirement and, therefore, may jeopardize our qualification for taxation as a RIC or subject us to the 4% U.S. federal excise tax.

Although we do not presently expect to do so, we may borrow funds and sell assets in order to make distributions to our Stockholders that are sufficient for us to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement. However, our ability to dispose of assets may be limited by (1) the illiquid nature of our portfolio and/or (2) other requirements relating to our status as a RIC, including the Diversification Tests. If we dispose of assets in order to meet the Annual Distribution Requirement or the Excise Tax Avoidance Requirement, we may make such dispositions at times that, from an investment standpoint, are not advantageous.

Under the 1940 Act, we are not permitted to make distributions to our Stockholders while our debt obligations and other senior securities are outstanding unless certain “asset coverage” tests are met. If we are prohibited from making distributions, we may fail to qualify for tax treatment as a RIC and become subject to tax as an ordinary corporation.

Certain of our investment practices may be subject to special and complex U.S. federal income tax provisions that may, among other things: (i) disallow, suspend or otherwise limit the allowance of certain losses or deductions; (ii) convert long-term capital gain into short-term capital gain or ordinary income; (iii) convert an ordinary loss or a deduction into a capital loss (the deductibility of which is more limited); (iv) cause us to recognize income or gain without a corresponding receipt of cash; (v) adversely affect the time as to when a purchase or sale of securities is deemed to occur; (vi) adversely alter the characterization of certain complex financial transactions; and (vii) produce income that will not be qualifying income for purposes of the 90% Income Test described above. We will monitor our transactions and may make certain tax decisions in order to mitigate the potential adverse effect of these provisions.

Foreign exchange gains and losses realized by us in connection with certain transactions involving non-dollar debt securities, certain foreign currency futures contracts, foreign currency option contracts, foreign currency forward contracts, foreign currencies, or payables or receivables denominated in a foreign currency are subject to Code provisions that generally treat such gains and losses as ordinary income and losses and may affect the amount, timing and character of distributions to our Stockholders. Any such transactions that are not directly related to our investment in securities (possibly including speculative currency positions or currency derivatives not used for hedging purposes) could, under future Treasury Regulations, produce income not among the types of “qualifying income” from which a RIC must derive at least 90% of its annual gross income.

We intend to comply with the current requirements under the Code and the Treasury Regulations for income derived from any investment in a subsidiary to be treated as qualifying income. There is no assurance that the applicable provisions of the Code and the Treasury Regulations will remain in effect; these provisions (and interpretations thereof) are subject to change, potentially with retroactive effect. We could be required to restructure or liquidate our investments accordingly. In the case of such liquidation, there is no guarantee that we would be able to reinvest such investments in securities with comparable returns.

The remainder of this discussion assumes that we qualify as a RIC and have satisfied the Annual Distribution Requirement.

Failure to Qualify as a RIC

If we fail to satisfy the 90% Income Test or the Diversification Tests for any taxable year or quarter of such taxable year, respectively, we may nevertheless continue to qualify as a RIC for such year if certain relief provisions of the Code apply (which may, among other things, require us to pay certain corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes or to dispose of certain assets). If we fail to qualify for treatment as a RIC and such relief provisions do not apply to us, we will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on all of our taxable income at regular corporate rates (and also will be subject to any applicable state and local taxes), regardless of whether we make any distributions to our Stockholders. Distributions would not be required. However, if distributions were made, any such distributions would be taxable to our Stockholders as ordinary dividend income to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits and, subject to certain limitations under the Code, any such distributions may be eligible for the 20% maximum rate applicable to non-corporate taxpayers. Subject to certain limitations under the Code, corporate distributees would be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. Distributions in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits would be treated first as a return of capital to the extent of the Stockholder’s tax basis, and any remaining distributions would be treated as a capital gain.

Subject to a limited exception applicable to RICs that qualified as such under Subchapter M of the Code for at least one year prior to disqualification and that requalify as a RIC no later than the second year following the non-qualifying year, we could be subject to tax on any unrealized net built-in gains in the assets held by us during the period in which we failed to qualify as a RIC that are recognized during the five-year period after our requalification as a RIC, unless we made a special election to pay corporate-level U.S. federal income tax on such built-in gain at the time of our requalification as a RIC. We may decide to be taxed as a regular corporation even if we would otherwise qualify as a RIC if we determine that treatment as a corporation for a particular year would be in our best interests.

Taxation of U.S. Stockholders

The following discussion only applies to U.S. Stockholders. Prospective Stockholders that are not U.S. Stockholders should refer to “—Taxation of Non-U.S. Stockholders” below.

Distributions

Distributions by us generally are taxable to U.S. Stockholders as either dividend income or capital gains. Distributions of our “investment company taxable income” (which is, generally, our net ordinary income plus realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses) generally will be taxable as dividend income to U.S. Stockholders to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional shares. Distributions of our net capital gains (which is generally our realized net long-term capital gains in excess of realized net short-term capital losses) properly designated by us as “capital gain dividends” will be taxable to a U.S. Stockholder as long-term capital

gains that are currently taxable at a current maximum rate of 20% in the case of individuals, trusts or estates, regardless of the U.S. Stockholder's holding period for his, her or its shares and regardless of whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional shares. Distributions in excess of our earnings and profits first will reduce a U.S. Stockholder's adjusted tax basis in such Stockholder's shares and, after the adjusted basis is reduced to zero, will constitute capital gains to such U.S. Stockholders.

We may elect to retain our net capital gains or a portion thereof for investment and be subject to tax at corporate rates on the amount retained. In such case, we may designate the retained amount as undistributed net capital gains in a notice to our Stockholders who will be treated as if each received a distribution of the pro rata share of such net capital gain, with the result that each Stockholder will: (i) be required to report the pro rata share of such net capital gain on the applicable tax return as long-term capital gains; (ii) receive a refundable tax credit for the pro rata share of tax paid by us on the net capital gain; and (iii) increase the tax basis for the shares of our stock held by an amount equal to the deemed distribution less the tax credit.

For purposes of determining (1) whether the Annual Distribution Requirement is satisfied for any year and (2) the amount of capital gain dividends paid for that year, we may, under certain circumstances, elect to treat a dividend that is paid during the following taxable year as if it had been paid during the taxable year in question. If we make such an election, the U.S. Stockholders will still be treated as receiving the dividend in the taxable year in which the distribution is made. However, any dividend declared by us in October, November or December of any calendar year, payable to Stockholders of record on a specified date in any such month and actually paid during January of the following year, will be treated as if it had been received by its U.S. Stockholders on December 31 of the year in which the dividend was declared.

If an investor purchases Shares shortly before the record date of a distribution, the price of the shares will include the value of the distribution and the investor will be subject to tax on the distribution even though economically it may represent a return of his, her or its investment.

We or the applicable withholding agent will send to each of its U.S. Stockholders, as promptly as possible after the end of each calendar year, a notice reporting the amounts includible in such U.S. Stockholder's taxable income for such year as ordinary income and as long-term capital gain. In addition, the federal tax status of each year's distributions from us generally will be reported to the IRS (including the amount of dividends, if any, that are eligible to be treated as "qualified dividend income" subject to tax at 20.0% maximum rate). Dividends paid by us generally will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction or the preferential tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income because our income generally will not consist of dividends. Distributions may also be subject to additional state, local and foreign taxes depending on a U.S. Stockholder's particular situation.

Certain distributions reported by us as section 163(j) interest dividends may be treated as interest income by U.S. Stockholders for purposes of the tax rules applicable to interest expense limitations under Code section 163(j). Such treatment by the Stockholders is generally subject to holding period requirements and other potential limitations, although the holding period requirements are generally not applicable to dividends declared by money market funds and certain other funds that declare dividends daily and pay such dividends on a monthly or more frequent basis. The amount that we are eligible to report as a Section 163(j) dividend for a tax year is generally limited to the excess of our business interest income over the sum of our (i) business interest expense and (ii) other deductions properly allocable to our business interest income.

Dispositions

A U.S. Stockholders generally will recognize taxable gain or loss if the U.S. Stockholders sells or otherwise disposes of his, her or its Shares. The amount of gain or loss will be measured by the difference between such Stockholder's adjusted tax basis in the common stock sold and the amount of the proceeds received in exchange. Any gain or loss arising from such sale or disposition generally will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Stockholders has held his, her or its shares for more than one year; otherwise, any such gain or loss will be classified as short-term capital gain or loss. However, any capital loss arising from the sale or disposition of Shares held for six months or less will be treated as long-term capital loss to the extent of the amount of capital gain dividends received, or undistributed capital gain deemed received, with respect to such shares. In addition, all or a portion of any loss recognized upon a disposition of Shares may be disallowed if other Shares are purchased (whether through reinvestment of distributions or otherwise) within 30 days before or after the disposition. In such case, the basis of the newly purchased shares will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss.

A 3.8% tax is imposed under Section 1411 of the Code on the "net investment income" of certain U.S. citizens and residents and on the undistributed net investment income of certain estates and trusts. Among other items, net investment income generally includes payments of dividends on, and net gains recognized from the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of our shares (unless the shares are held in connection with certain trades or businesses), less certain deductions. Prospective investors in our securities should consult their own tax advisors regarding the effect, if any, of this tax on their ownership and disposition of our shares.

To the extent we are not treated as a "publicly offered regulated investment company" within the meaning of Section 67(c)(2) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations issued thereunder, certain "affected investors" would be limited in their ability to deduct, for federal income tax purposes, their allocable share of our "affected RIC expenses." In particular, "affected RIC expenses" will be deductible by the "affected investors" only to the extent they exceed 2% of such a stockholder's adjusted gross income after 2025 and will not be deductible at all before then, are not deductible for AMT purposes and are subject to the overall limitation on itemized deductions under Section 68 of the Code. To be treated as a "publicly offered regulated investment company" for this purpose, our shares would need to be (i) continuously offered pursuant to a public offering, (ii) regularly traded on an

established securities market, or (iii) held by at least 500 stockholders at all times during the applicable taxable year. Investors that would be subject to the deductibility limitations under these rules include stockholders that are (i) individuals (other than nonresident aliens whose do not treat income from us as effectively connected with the conduct of a U.S. trade or business), (ii) persons such as trusts or estates that compute their income in the same manner as an individual, (iii) and pass-through entities that have one or more partners or members that are described in clauses (i) or (ii). Under temporary Treasury Regulations, such “affected RIC expenses” include those expenses allowed as a deduction in determining our investment company taxable income, less (among other items) registration fees, directors’ fees, transfer agent fees, certain legal and accounting fees and expenses associated with legally required stockholders communications. Stockholders that would be treated as “affected investors” should consult their own tax advisors concerning the applicability such rules to their investment in our shares.

U.S. Taxation of Tax-Exempt U.S. Stockholders

A U.S. Stockholder that is a tax-exempt organization for U.S. federal income tax purposes and therefore generally exempt from U.S. federal income taxation may nevertheless be subject to taxation to the extent that it is considered to derive unrelated business taxable income (“UBTI”). The direct conduct by a tax-exempt U.S. Stockholders of the activities we propose to conduct could give rise to UBTI. However, a RIC is a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes and its business activities generally will not be attributed to its stockholders for purposes of determining their treatment under current law. Therefore, a tax-exempt U.S. Stockholders is not expected to be subject to U.S. taxation solely as a result of the holder’s ownership of, and receipt of dividends with respect to, our common stock. Moreover, under current law, if we incur indebtedness, such indebtedness will not be attributed to a tax-exempt U.S. Stockholders. Therefore, a tax-exempt U.S. Holder should not be treated as earning income from “debt-financed property” and dividends we pay should not be treated as “unrelated debt-financed income” solely as a result of indebtedness that we incur. Proposals periodically are made to change the treatment of “blocker” investment vehicles interposed between tax-exempt investors and non-qualifying investments. In the event that any such proposals were to be adopted and applied to RICs, the treatment of dividends payable to tax-exempt investors could be adversely affected.

Prospective tax-exempt U.S. Stockholders are encouraged to consult with their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of an investment in our common stock.

Tax Shelter Reporting Regulations

Under applicable Treasury Regulations, if a U.S. Stockholder recognizes a loss with respect to our common stock of \$2.0 million or more for a non-corporate U.S. Stockholder or \$10.0 million or more for a corporate U.S. Stockholder in any single taxable year (or a greater loss over a combination of years), the U.S. Stockholder must file with the IRS a disclosure statement on Form 8886. Direct U.S. Stockholders of portfolio securities are in many cases excepted from this reporting requirement, but under current guidance, U.S. Stockholders of a RIC are not excepted. Future guidance may extend the current exception from this reporting requirement to U.S. Stockholders of most or all RICs. The fact that a loss is reportable under these regulations does not affect the legal determination of whether the taxpayer’s treatment of the loss is proper. U.S. Stockholders should consult their own tax advisers to determine the applicability of these regulations in light of their individual circumstances.

Backup Withholding

We may be required to withhold U.S. federal income tax (“backup withholding”) from any distribution to a U.S. Stockholder (other than a corporation, a financial institution, or a Stockholder that otherwise qualifies for an exemption) (1) that fails to provide us or the distribution paying agent with a correct taxpayer identification number or a certificate that such Stockholder is exempt from backup withholding or (2) with respect to whom the IRS notifies us that such Stockholder has failed to properly report certain interest and dividend income to the IRS and to respond to notices to that effect. An individual’s taxpayer identification number is his or her social security number. Any amount withheld under backup withholding is allowed as a credit against the U.S. Stockholder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, provided that proper information is timely provided to the IRS.

Taxation of Non-U.S. Stockholders

The following discussion applies only to Non-U.S. Stockholders. Whether an investment in Shares is appropriate for a Non-U.S. Stockholder will depend upon that person’s particular circumstances. An investment in Shares by a Non-U.S. Stockholder may have adverse tax consequences to such Non-U.S. Stockholder. Non-U.S. Stockholders should consult their tax advisers before investing in our common stock.

Distributions; Dispositions

Subject to the discussion in “—Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act” below, distributions of our “investment company taxable income” to Non-U.S. Stockholders (including interest income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized long-term capital losses, which generally would be free of withholding if paid to Non-U.S. Stockholders directly) will be subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax at a 30% rate (or lower rate provided by an applicable income tax treaty) to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, unless an applicable exception applies. Such dividends will not be subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax to the extent that we report such dividends as “interest-related dividends” or “short-term capital gain dividends.” Under this exemption, interest-related dividends and short-term capital gain dividends generally represent distributions of interest or short-term capital gains that would not have been subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax at the source if they had been received directly by a foreign person, and that satisfy certain other requirements. No assurance can be given as to whether any of our distributions will be eligible for this exemption from withholding tax or, if eligible, will be reported as such by us. It should also be noted that in the case of shares in our common stock held through an intermediary, the intermediary may withhold U.S. federal income tax even if we report a payment as an interest-related dividend or short-term capital gain dividend.

If the distributions are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the Non-U.S. Stockholder (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, are attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Stockholder), we will not be required to withhold U.S. federal income tax if the Non-U.S. Stockholder complies with applicable certification and disclosure requirements, although the distributions will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at the rates applicable to U.S. persons. (Special certification requirements apply to a Non-U.S. Stockholder that is a foreign partnership or a foreign trust, and such entities are urged to consult their own tax advisers.)

Subject to the discussion in “—Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act” below, actual or deemed distributions of our net capital gains to a Non-U.S. Stockholder, and gains realized by a Non-U.S. Stockholder upon the sale of our common stock, will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax unless the distributions or gains, as the case may be, are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the Non-U.S. Stockholder (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, are attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Stockholder).

If we distribute our net capital gains in the form of deemed rather than actual distributions, a Non-U.S. Stockholder will be entitled to a U.S. federal income tax credit or tax refund equal to the Stockholder’s allocable share of the tax we pay on the capital gains deemed to have been distributed. In order to obtain the refund, the Non-U.S. Stockholder must obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number and file a U.S. federal income tax return, even if the Non-U.S. Stockholder would not otherwise be required to obtain a U.S. taxpayer identification number or file a U.S. federal income tax return. For a corporate Non-U.S. Stockholder, both distributions (actual or deemed) and gains realized upon the sale of our common stock that are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business may, under certain circumstances, be subject to an additional “branch profits tax” at a 30% rate (or at a lower rate if provided for by an applicable income tax treaty). Accordingly, investment in Shares may not be appropriate for a Non-U.S. Stockholder.

Backup Withholding

A Non-U.S. Stockholder who is a non-resident alien individual, and who is otherwise subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax, will be subject to information reporting and may be subject to backup withholding of U.S. federal income tax on taxable distributions unless the Non-U.S. Stockholder provides us or the distribution paying agent with an IRS Form W-8BEN, W-8BEN-E (or an acceptable substitute form) or otherwise meets documentary evidence requirements for establishing that it is a Non-U.S. Stockholder or otherwise establishes an exemption from backup withholding.

Non-U.S. persons should consult their own tax advisers with respect to the U.S. federal income and withholding tax consequences, and state, local and foreign tax consequences, of an investment in Shares.

Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act

Legislation commonly referred to as the “Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act,” or “FATCA,” generally imposes a 30% withholding tax on payments of certain types of income to foreign financial institutions (“FFIs”) unless such FFIs either (i) enter into an agreement with the U.S. Treasury to report certain required information with respect to accounts held by U.S. persons (or held by foreign entities that have U.S. persons as substantial owners) or (ii) reside in a jurisdiction that has entered into an intergovernmental agreement (“IGA”) with the United States to collect and share such information and are in compliance with the terms of such IGA and any enabling legislation or regulations. The types of income subject to the tax include U.S. source interest and dividends. The information required to be reported includes the identity and taxpayer identification number of each account holder that is a U.S. person and certain transaction activity related to such holder’s account. In addition, subject to certain exceptions, this legislation also imposes a 30% withholding on payments to foreign entities that are not FFIs unless the foreign entity certifies that it does not have a greater than 10% U.S. owner or provides the withholding agent with identifying information on each greater than 10% U.S. owner. Depending on the status of a beneficial owner and the status of the intermediaries through which they hold their shares, beneficial owners could be subject to this 30% withholding tax with respect to dividends paid in respect of our shares. Under certain circumstances, a beneficial owner might be eligible for refunds or credits of such taxes.

We and our Stockholders may be subject to state, local or foreign taxation in various jurisdictions in which we or they transact business, own property or reside. The state, local or foreign tax treatment of us and our Stockholders may not conform to the U.S. federal income tax treatment discussed above. In particular, our investments in foreign securities may be subject to foreign withholding taxes. The imposition of any such foreign, state, local or other taxes would reduce cash available for distribution to our Stockholders, and our Stockholders would not be entitled to claim a credit or deduction with respect to such taxes. Prospective investors should consult with their own tax advisers regarding the application and effect of state, local and foreign income and other tax laws on an investment in Shares.

The Private Offering

We expect to enter into separate subscription agreements with one or more investors providing for the private placement of Shares pursuant to the private offering and may enter into additional subscription agreements from time to time. Each investor will make a Capital Commitment to purchase Shares pursuant to a subscription agreement. The Investment Adviser will make a Capital Commitment to the Company equal to one percent (1%) of the total Capital Commitments on or prior to the initial closing.

Investors will be required to make capital contributions to purchase Shares each time we deliver a drawdown notice, which will be issued based on our anticipated investment activities and capital needs, in an aggregate amount not to exceed each investor's respective Capital Commitment. We will deliver drawdown requests at least ten business days prior to the required funding date. All purchases of our common stock will generally be made pro rata in accordance with remaining Capital Commitments of all investors, at a per-Share price equal to the net asset value per Share of our common stock subject to any adjustments. Any adjustments would take into account a determination of changes to net asset value within 48 hours of the sale to assure compliance with Section 23(b) of the 1940 Act. At the end of the Investment Period (as defined below), Stockholders will be released from any further obligation to fund drawdowns and purchase additional Shares, subject to certain conditions as described in more detail below and in the subscription agreement. The first drawdown notice is expected to be issued in the Third calendar quarter of 2022, with subsequent drawdown notices to follow. In the event that a shareholder fails to pay all or any part of its Capital Commitment on a draw down date and such default remains uncured for a period of 10 business days, the Company is permitted to declare the shareholder to be in default of its obligations under the subscription agreement and may pursue any and all remedies available to it under law including, but not limited to, prohibiting the shareholder from purchasing additional shares on any future draw down date and offering up to 25% of the defaulting shareholder's shares to the Company's other shareholders or third party investors.

Investors may transfer or assign their Shares or Capital Commitment upon prior notice to the Board and satisfaction of the requirements with respect thereto set forth in the Company's operating documents and in accordance with applicable law. The Board is entitled to object to such transfers if the Company's operations would likely be materially and adversely affected, or if such transfer would raise legal, regulatory or competitive concerns for either the Company or the parties involved.

While we expect each Subscription Agreement to reflect the terms and conditions summarized in the preceding paragraphs, we reserve the right to enter into Subscription Agreements that contain terms and conditions not found in the Subscription Agreements entered into with other investors, subject to applicable law. No Stockholder will be granted, in its Subscription Agreement, the right to invest in Shares on more favorable economic terms and conditions than other Stockholders.

Investment Period

The Company's investment period ("Investment Period") will commence on the date of the Initial Closing and shall continue until the 48-month anniversary of the Initial Closing Date, subject to automatic extensions thereafter, each for an additional one year period, unless the holders of a majority of our outstanding Shares, elects to forego any such extension, upon not less than ninety days prior written notice to the Investment Adviser. Holders of a majority of our outstanding Shares may also terminate the Investment Period at any time, upon not less than ninety (90) days prior written notice to the Investment Adviser. The Investment Adviser may also terminate the Investment Period as of an earlier date in its good faith discretion after consulting with the Stockholders about the reasons for the termination and making good faith efforts to resolve the reason for the early termination if so requested by the holders of a majority of our outstanding Shares.

During the Investment Period, any amounts we receive as a return of capital (as opposed to a return on capital) with respect to our investments may, in the sole discretion of the Investment Adviser, be retained by us, without reducing the Stockholders' unfunded Capital Commitments, for the purpose of making Company investments and/or for such other permissible purposes as set out in the Company's operating documents. While we expect to distribute approximately our entire net investment income on a quarterly basis and substantially all of our taxable income on an annual basis, we may retain certain net capital gains for reinvestment and, depending upon the level of net investment income earned in a year, we may choose to defer distribution of net investment income for distribution in the following year and pay any applicable U.S. federal excise tax.

After the end of the Investment Period, the Stockholders will be released from any further obligation with respect to their then current unfunded Capital Commitments, except to the extent necessary to: (x) fund the Management Fee and other Company liabilities and expenses throughout the term of the Company (including to repay outstanding Financings of the Company); (y) complete Company investments that are in process or that have been

committed to as of the end of the Investment Period; and (z) make follow-on investments in an aggregate amount up to 10% of the gross assets of the Company.

Investment Advisory Agreement

We are a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company that intends to elect to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. We will be externally managed by our Investment Adviser and pay our Investment Adviser a fee for its services (except that, to the extent that the assets of the Company are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, we will not pay our Investment Adviser any fees related to services it may provide in its capacity as the Administrator, as set forth below). The following summarizes our arrangements with the Investment Adviser pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement.

Pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser will:

- determine the composition of our portfolio, the nature and timing of the changes to our portfolio and the manner of implementing such changes;
- determine the securities and other assets that we will purchase, retain or sell;
- identify, evaluate and negotiate the structure of our investments that we make;
- execute, monitor and service the investments that we make;
- perform due diligence on prospective portfolio companies;
- vote, exercise consents and exercise all other rights appertaining to such securities and other assets on our behalf; and
- provide us with such other investment advisory, research and related services as we may, from time to time, reasonably require.

The Investment Adviser’s services under the Investment Advisory Agreement are not exclusive, and the Investment Adviser (so long as its services to us are not impaired) and/or other entities affiliated with the Adviser are permitted to furnish similar services to other entities. Under the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser will receive a fee for investment advisory and management services consisting of a base management fee (“Management Fee”). The cost of the Management Fee payable to the Investment Adviser is borne by us and, as a result, is indirectly borne by our common Stockholders.

The Investment Advisory Agreement is expected to be approved by our Board at the Board’s organizational meeting. Unless earlier terminated as described below, the Investment Advisory Agreement will remain in effect for a period of one year from its effective date and will remain in effect from year to year thereafter if approved annually by (i) the vote of our Board, or by the vote of the holders of a majority of our outstanding Shares, and (ii) the vote of a majority of our Independent Directors. The Investment Advisory Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of an assignment by the Investment Adviser. The Investment Advisory Agreement may be terminated by either party, or by a vote the holders of a majority of our outstanding Shares or, if less, such lower percentage as required by the 1940 Act, without penalty upon not less than 60 days’ prior written notice to the applicable party. If the Investment Advisory Agreement is terminated according to this paragraph, we will pay the Investment Adviser a pro-rated portion of the Management Fee (as defined below) then due. See “Item 1A. Risk Factors—Our ability to achieve our investment objective depends on key investment personnel of the Investment Adviser.”

The Investment Advisory Agreement provides that the Investment Adviser and its officers, managers, agents, employees, controlling persons, members (or their owners) and any other person or entity affiliated with it, are entitled to indemnification from us for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys’ fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of the Investment Adviser’s services under the Investment Advisory Agreement or otherwise as the Investment Adviser, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence, or breach by the Investment Adviser of its fiduciary duties under ERISA, if applicable, in the performance of their respective duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of their respective duties and obligations. However, the Investment Adviser and its officers, managers, agents, employees, controlling persons, members (or their owners) and any other person or entity affiliated with it, will not be entitled to such indemnification, if such damages, costs and expenses arose from their willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence, or breach by the Investment Adviser of its fiduciary duties under ERISA, if applicable, in the performance of their respective duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of their respective duties and obligations.

Under our charter, we will fully indemnify any person who was or is involved in any actual or threatened action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that such person is or was one of our directors or officers, but only to the extent permitted by ERISA, if applicable. So long as we are regulated under the 1940 Act, the above indemnification and limitation of liability is limited by the 1940 Act or by any valid rule, regulation or order of the SEC thereunder. The 1940 Act provides, among other things, that a company may not indemnify any director or officer against liability to it or its security

holders to which he or she might otherwise be subject by reason of his or her willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his or her office unless a determination is made by final decision of a court, by vote of a majority of a quorum of directors who are disinterested, non-party directors or by independent legal counsel that the liability for which indemnification is sought did not arise out of the foregoing conduct. To the extent that the Company's assets are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA, the above indemnification and limitation of liability will be limited by ERISA. ERISA provides, among other things, that an ERISA plan or other entity whose assets are treated as "plan assets" may not indemnify its investment adviser or any other person that would be deemed such entity's fiduciary for purposes of ERISA, for a breach of their fiduciary duties under ERISA. We will obtain liability insurance for our independent directors, which will be paid for by the Company.

The Company will pay the Investment Adviser a fee for its services under the Investment Advisory Agreement consisting of an annual Management Fee, payable quarterly, in the manner set forth below.

Management Fee

The Management Fee shall be calculated as follows: (a) if the aggregate Capital Commitment of Investors is less than or equal to \$350,000,000, the Company will pay the Investment Adviser a Management Fee equal to an annual rate of 80 basis points of the gross assets associated with such Capital Commitments and (b) if the aggregate Capital Commitment of Investors is greater than \$350,000,000, the Company will pay the Investment Adviser a Management Fee equal to an annual rate of 70 basis points of the Company's gross assets associated with such Capital Commitments in excess of \$350,000,000. The Management Fee shall be payable quarterly in arrears. The Management Fee shall be calculated based on the fair value of the average value of the gross assets of the Company at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters. Such amount shall be appropriately adjusted (based on the actual number of days elapsed relative to the total number of days in such calendar quarter) for any share issuances or repurchases during a calendar quarter. The Base Management Fee for any partial month or quarter shall be appropriately pro-rated (based on the number of days actually elapsed at the end of such partial month or quarter relative to the total number of days in such month or quarter).

Expenses

All investment professionals of the Investment Adviser and their respective staffs, when and to the extent engaged in providing investment advisory and management services under the Investment Advisory Agreement (as opposed to the accounting, compliance and other administrative services set forth in clause (xxiii) below), and the compensation and routine overhead expenses of such personnel allocable to such services, will be provided and paid for by the Investment Adviser and not by us.

We will bear our own legal and other expenses incurred in connection with our formation and organization and the offering of our Shares, including external legal and accounting expenses, printing costs, travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to marketing efforts (other than any placement fees, which will be borne by the Investment Adviser directly or pursuant to waivers of the Management Fee) ("Organizational Expenses").

In addition to Management Fees, except as noted above, the Company is permitted to bear all expenses directly and specifically related to its operations, which expenses may include without limitation:

- (i) all costs and expenses with respect to the actual or proposed acquisition, financing, holding, monitoring or disposition of Company investments, whether such investments are ultimately consummated or not, including, origination fees, syndication fees, due diligence costs, broken deal expenses, bank service fees, fees and expenses of custodians, transfer agents, consultants, experts, travel expenses incurred for investment-related purposes, outside legal counsel, consultants and accountants, administrator's fees of third party administrators (subject to clause (xxiii) below) and financing costs (including interest expenses);
- (ii) expenses for liability insurance, including officers and independent directors liability insurance, cyber insurance and other insurance (but excluding the cost of liability insurance covering the Investment Adviser and its officers to the extent that bearing such expenses would be prohibited by ERISA);
- (iii) extraordinary expenses incurred by the Company (including litigation);
- (iv) indemnification and contribution expenses provided, that the Company will not bear such fees, costs or expenses to the extent that the relevant conduct is not indemnifiable under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
- (v) taxes and other governmental fees and charges;
- (vi) administering and servicing and special servicing fees paid to third parties for the benefit of the Company;
- (vii) the cost of Company-related operational and accounting software and related expenses;

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- (viii) cost of software (including the fees of third-party software developers) used by the Investment Adviser and its affiliates to track and monitor Company investments (specifically, cost of software related to data warehousing, portfolio administration / reconciliation, loan pricing and trade settlement attributable to the Company);
 - (ix) expenses related to the valuation or appraisal of Company investments;
 - (x) risk, research and market data-related expenses (including software) incurred for Company investments;
 - (xi) fees, costs and expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred to comply with any applicable law, rule or regulation (including regulatory filings such as financial statement filings, ownership filings (Section 16 or Section 13 filings), blue sky filings and registration statement filings, as applicable) to which the Company is subject or incurred in connection with any governmental inquiry, investigation or proceeding involving the Company; provided, that the Company will not bear such fees, costs or expenses to the extent that the relevant conduct is not indemnifiable under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
 - (xii) costs associated with the wind-up, liquidation, dissolution and termination of the Company;
 - (xiii) other legal, operating, accounting, tax return preparation and consulting, auditing and administrative expenses in accordance with the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement and fees for outside services provided to or on behalf of the Company; provided, that if the assets of the Company are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, the Company will not incur such expenses or fees, if such expenses and fees arise in connection with such services, to the extent that they are performed by the Administrator and do not satisfy the requirements of a prohibited transaction exemption;
 - (xiv) expenses of the Board (including the reasonable costs of legal counsel, accountants, financial advisors and/or such other advisors and consultants engaged by the Board, as well as travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to the attendance by directors at Board meetings), to the extent permitted under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
 - (xv) annual or special meetings of the Stockholders;
 - (xvi) the costs and expenses associated with preparing, filing and delivering to Stockholders periodic and other reports and filings required under federal securities laws as a result of the Company’s status as a BDC;
 - (xvii) ongoing Company offering expenses;
 - (xviii) federal and state registration fees pertaining to the Company;
 - (xix) costs of Company-related proxy statements, Stockholders’ reports and notices;
 - (xx) costs associated with obtaining the fidelity bonds as required by the 1940;
 - (xxi) printing, mailing and all other similar direct expenses relating to the Company;
 - (xxii) expenses incurred in preparation for or in connection with (or otherwise relating to) any IPO or other debt or equity offering conducted by the Company, including but not limited to external legal and accounting expenses, printing costs, travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to marketing efforts; and
 - (xxiii) to the extent (a) Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of the Shares or (b) we operate the Company as a “venture capital operating company”, the Company’s allocable portion of overhead, including office equipment and supplies, rent and our allocable portion of the compensation paid to accounting, compliance and administrative staff employed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates who provide services to the Company necessary for its operation, including related taxes, health insurance and other benefits.

Investment-related expenses with respect to investments in which the Company invests together with one or more parallel funds (or co-investment vehicles) will generally be allocated among all such entities on the basis of capital invested by each such entity into the relevant investment; provided

that if the Investment Adviser reasonably believes that such allocation method would produce an inequitable result to any such entity, the Investment Adviser may allocate such expenses among such entities in any other manner that the Investment Adviser believes in good faith to be fair and equitable.

If the assets of the Company are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, the Investment Adviser will bear responsibility for the fidelity bond required under Section 412 of ERISA.

Qualifying Assets

Under the 1940 Act, a BDC may not acquire any asset other than assets of the type listed in Section 55(a) of the 1940 Act, which are referred to as qualifying assets, unless, at the time the acquisition is made, qualifying assets represent at least 70% of the BDC’s total assets. The principal categories of qualifying assets relevant to our business are any of the following:

- 1) Securities purchased in transactions not involving any public offering from the issuer of such securities, which issuer (subject to certain limited exceptions) is an eligible portfolio company, or from
any person who is, or has been during the preceding 13 months, an affiliated person of an eligible portfolio company, or from any other person, subject to such rules as may be prescribed by the SEC. An eligible portfolio company is defined in the 1940 Act as any issuer which:
 - a) is organized under the laws of, and has its principal place of business in, the United States;
 - b) is not an investment company (other than a small business investment company wholly owned by the BDC) or a company that would be an investment company but for certain exclusions under the 1940 Act; and
 - c) satisfies any of the following:
 - i) does not have any class of securities that is traded on a national securities exchange;
 - ii) has a class of securities listed on a national securities exchange, but has an aggregate market value of outstanding voting and non-voting common equity of less than \$250.0 million;
 - iii) is controlled by a BDC or a group of companies including a BDC and the BDC has an affiliated person who is a director of the eligible portfolio company; or
 - iv) is a small and solvent company having total assets of not more than \$4.0 million and capital and surplus of not less than \$2.0 million.
- 2) Securities of any eligible portfolio company that the BDC controls.

- 4) Securities purchased in a private transaction from a U.S. issuer that is not an investment company or from an affiliated person of the issuer, or in transactions incident thereto, if the issuer is in bankruptcy and subject to reorganization or if the issuer, immediately prior to the purchase of its securities was unable to meet its obligations as they came prior to the purchase of its securities was unable to meet its obligations as they came due without material assistance other than conventional lending or financing arrangements.
- 5) Securities of an eligible portfolio company purchased from any person in a private transaction if there is no ready market for such securities and the BDC already owns 60% of the outstanding equity of the eligible portfolio company.
- 6) Securities received in exchange for or distributed on or with respect to securities described in (1) through (4) above, or pursuant to the exercise of warrants or rights relating to such securities.
- 7) Cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities or high-quality debt securities maturing in one year or less from the time of investment.

In addition, a BDC must have been organized and have its principal place of business in the U.S. and must be operated for the purpose of making investments in the types of securities described in (1), (2) or (3) above.

Managerial Assistance to Portfolio Companies

BDCs generally must offer to make available to the issuer of its securities significant managerial assistance, except in circumstances where either (i) the BDC controls such issuer of securities or (ii) the BDC purchases such securities in conjunction with one or more other persons acting together and one of the other persons in the group makes available such managerial assistance. Making available managerial assistance means, among other things, any arrangement whereby the BDC offers to provide, and, if accepted, does so provide, significant guidance and counsel concerning the management, operations or business objectives and policies of a portfolio company. The Administrator or its affiliate will provide such managerial assistance on our behalf to portfolio companies that request this assistance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may obtain and exercise management rights as required if it seeks to qualify as a “venture capital operating company” to avoid holding “plan assets” under ERISA.

Temporary Investments

Pending investments in other types of qualifying assets, our investments may consist of cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities or high-quality debt securities maturing in one year or less from the time of investment (collectively, as “temporary investments”), so that 70% of our assets are qualifying assets. Typically, we will invest in U.S. Treasury bills or in repurchase agreements, provided that such agreements are fully collateralized by cash or securities issued by the U.S. government or its agencies. A repurchase agreement involves the purchase by an investor, such as us, of a specified security and the simultaneous agreement by the seller to repurchase it at an agreed-upon future date and at a price that is greater than the purchase price by an amount that reflects an agreed-upon interest rate. There is no percentage restriction on the proportion of our assets that may be invested in such repurchase agreements. However, if more than 25% of our total assets constitute repurchase agreements from a single counterparty, we would generally not meet the Diversification Tests in order to qualify as a RIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Thus, we do not intend to enter into repurchase agreements with a single counterparty in excess of this limit. The Investment Adviser will monitor the creditworthiness of the counterparties with which we enter into repurchase agreement transactions.

Senior Securities

We will be permitted, under specified conditions, to issue multiple classes of debt if our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, is at least equal to 150% immediately after each such issuance, reflecting approximately a 2:1 debt to equity ratio, taking into account the then current fair value of our investments.

While any senior securities remain outstanding (other than any indebtedness issued in consideration of a privately arranged loan, such as any indebtedness outstanding under a credit facility), we must make provisions to prohibit any distribution to our Stockholders or the repurchase of our equity securities unless we meet the applicable asset coverage ratios at the time of the distribution or repurchase. Under the 1940 Act, we may also borrow amounts up to 5% of the value of our total assets for temporary or emergency purposes without regard to our asset coverage. For the avoidance of doubt, our borrowings, whether for emergency purposes, or otherwise, remain subject to compliance with the asset coverage requirements of Section 18 under the 1940 Act as modified by Section 61 thereunder. We will include our assets and liabilities and all of our wholly-owned direct and indirect subsidiaries for purposes of calculating the asset coverage ratio. For a discussion of the risks associated with leverage, see “*Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Our Business—Regulations governing the operations of BDCs will affect our ability to raise additional equity capital as well as our ability to issue senior securities or borrow for investment purposes, any or all of which could have a negative effect on our investment objectives and strategies*” and “*—We may borrow money, which could magnify the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested in us and increase the risk of investing in us.*”

Code of Ethics

We will adopt a code of ethics pursuant to Rule 17j-1 under the 1940 Act that establishes procedures for personal investments and restricts certain personal securities transactions. Personnel subject to the code may invest in securities for their personal investment accounts, including securities that may be purchased or held by us so long as such investments are made in accordance with the code’s requirements. You may read and copy the code of ethics at the SEC’s Public Reference Room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, District of Columbia 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330, and a copy of the code of ethics may be obtained, after paying a duplication fee, by electronic request at the following e-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov.

Compliance Policies and Procedures

We and the Investment Adviser will adopt and implement written policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent violation of the federal securities laws and we are required to review these compliance policies and procedures annually for their adequacy and the effectiveness of their implementation. Our chief compliance officer is responsible for administering these policies and procedures.

Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

We intend to delegate our proxy voting responsibility to the Investment Adviser. The Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures of the Investment Adviser are set forth below. The guidelines will be reviewed periodically by the Investment Adviser and our Independent Directors, and, accordingly, are

subject to change. In addition, to the extent that the Company's assets are deemed to be "plan assets," ERISA would require that the Investment Adviser act prudently and solely in the interest of ERISA plan participants and beneficiaries when deciding whether to vote, and when voting, proxies.

Introduction

As an investment adviser registered under the Advisers Act, the Investment Adviser has a fiduciary duty to act solely in the best interests of its clients. As part of this duty and, if applicable, it recognizes that it must vote our securities in a timely manner free of conflicts of interest and in our best interests.

The policies and procedures for voting proxies for the investment advisory clients of the Investment Adviser are intended to comply with Section 206 of, and Rule 206(4)-6 under, the Advisers Act and if applicable, ERISA.

Proxy Policies

The Investment Adviser will vote proxies relating to our securities in our best interest. It will review on a case-by-case basis each proposal submitted for a Stockholder vote to determine its impact on the portfolio securities held by us. Although the Investment Adviser will generally vote against proposals that may have a negative impact on its clients' portfolio securities, it may vote for such a proposal if there exists compelling long-term reasons to do so.

The proxy voting decisions of the Investment Adviser are made by the senior officers who are responsible for monitoring each of its clients' investments. To ensure that its vote is not the product of a conflict of interest, it will require that: (a) anyone involved in the decision making process disclose to its chief compliance officer any potential conflict that he or she is aware of and any contact that he or she has had with any interested party regarding a proxy vote; and (b) employees involved in the decision making process or vote administration are prohibited from revealing how the Investment Adviser intends to vote on a proposal in order to reduce any attempted influence from interested parties.

Proxy Voting Records

You may obtain, without charge, information regarding how we voted proxies with respect to our portfolio securities by making a written request for proxy voting information to: Chief Compliance Officer, 810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10019

Staffing

We do not have any employees. Our day-to-day investment operations are managed by the Investment Adviser. See "—Investment Advisory Agreement." To the extent (i) Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of our Shares, and (ii) we operate the Company as a "venture capital operating company", we will reimburse the Administrator for the allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by it in performing its obligations to us under the Administration Agreement, including the compensation of our chief financial officer and chief compliance officer, and their respective staffs. Each of our executive officers described under "Item 5. Directors and Executive Officers" is an employee of the Investment Adviser.

License Agreement

The Company has entered into a Trademark License Agreement with the Adviser (the "Trademark License Agreement"), pursuant to which the Adviser has agreed to grant the Company a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the "Brightwood" name. Under the Trademark License Agreement, subject to certain conditions, the Company has a right to use the "Brightwood" name, for so long as the Investment Adviser or one of its affiliates remains the investment adviser of the Company. Other than with respect to this limited license, the Company has no legal right to the Brightwood name.

Derivatives

We do not expect derivatives to be a significant component of our investment strategy.

Emerging Growth Company

We are an "emerging growth company" as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (the "JOBS Act") and we are eligible to take advantage of certain specified reduced disclosure and other requirements that are otherwise generally applicable to public companies that are not "emerging growth companies" including, but not limited to:

- Permission for an "emerging growth company" to include only two years of audited financial statements in its common equity initial public offering registration statement ("IPO registration statement");

- Permission for an “emerging growth company” to provide Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations disclosures that correspond to the financial statements included in its IPO registration statement;

- Permission for an “emerging growth company” to omit in other Securities Act registration statements filed with the SEC selected financial data for any period prior to the earliest audited period included in its IPO registration statement;

- Permission for an “emerging growth company” to omit selected financial data for any period prior to the earliest audited period included in its first registration statement that became effective under the 1934 Act or Securities Act in any 1934 Act registration statement, periodic report or other report filed with the SEC;

- Exemption for an “emerging growth company” from the advisory shareholder votes on the compensation of its named executive officers (“say-on-pay”), the frequency of the say-on-pay votes (“say-on-frequency”) and golden parachute compensation arrangements with any named executive officers required by Sections 14A(a) and (b) of the 1934 Act;

- Permission for an “emerging growth company” to comply with executive compensation disclosure requirements under Item 402 of Regulation S-K by providing the same executive compensation disclosure as a smaller reporting company;

- Exemption of an “emerging growth company” from the “pay versus performance” proxy disclosure requirements of Section 14(i) of the 1934 Act and from the pay ratio disclosure requirements of Section 953(b) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the “Dodd-Frank Act”) and certain disclosure requirements of the Dodd-Frank Act relating to compensation of chief executive officers;

- Permission for an “emerging growth company” to defer compliance with any new or revised financial accounting standards until the date that companies that are not “issuers” as defined in Section 2(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act are required to comply;

- Exemption for an “emerging growth company” from the Sarbanes-Oxley Act Section 404(b) auditor attestation on management’s assessment of its internal controls; and

- Permission for an “emerging growth company” to engage in “test-the-waters” communications with qualified institutional buyers and institutional accredited investors.

We have not made a determination whether to take advantage of any or all of these exemptions discussed above. In addition, we may take advantage of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards, discussed above.

We expect to remain an emerging growth company until the earliest of (i) the last day of the first fiscal year in which our annual gross revenues exceed \$1.07 billion, (ii) the end of the fiscal year in which the fifth anniversary of any initial public offering by us has occurred, (iii) December 31 of the fiscal year that we become a “large accelerated filer” as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the 1934 Act which would occur if the market value of our Shares that are held by non-affiliates exceeds \$700.0 million as of the last business day of our most recently completed second fiscal quarter and we have been publicly reporting for at least 12 calendar months or (iv) the date on which we have issued more than \$1 billion in non-convertible debt securities during the preceding three-year period.

Reporting Obligations

In order to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act, we are required to register a class of equity securities under the 1934 Act. As a result, we have filed this Registration Statement for our Shares with the SEC under the 1934 Act. Subsequent to the effectiveness of this Registration Statement, we will be required to file annual reports, quarterly reports and current reports with the SEC. This information will be available at the SEC’s public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549 and on the SEC’s website at www.sec.gov. The public may obtain information on the operation of the SEC’s public reference room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330.

In addition to the above regulatory filings, provided that no litigation has commenced between a Stockholder and the Company or the Investment Adviser, the Company will provide a Stockholder with information requested by the Stockholder to facilitate such Stockholder’s ongoing operational due diligence, including periodic review of portfolio companies and the internal controls and procedures utilized by the Company, upon reasonable

notice and provided such information is customarily kept by the Company or the Investment Adviser. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Stockholder shall have no right to obtain any information relating to any other investor or the Company's proposed investment activities. In addition, information may be subject to confidentiality agreements with third parties which may preclude the Company and/or the Investment Adviser's ability to provide such information to a Stockholder. The Company may also keep confidential from a Stockholder, for such periods as the Investment Adviser deems reasonable, any information that the Investment Adviser reasonably believes to be in the nature of trade secrets or other information (such as, for example, the identity of a Company's portfolio positions) the disclosure of which the Investment Adviser in good faith believes is not in the Company's best interests or could damage the Company or its business.

Privacy Notice

Introduction

Your privacy is very important to us. This notice (this "Privacy Notice") sets forth our policies for the collection, use, storage, sharing, disclosure (collectively, "processing") and protection of personal data relating to current, prospective and former investors in the Company, as applicable. This Privacy Notice is being provided in accordance with the requirements of data privacy laws, including the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 ("GDPR"), the US Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999, as amended, or any other law relating to privacy or the processing of personal data and any statutory instrument, order, rule or regulation implemented thereunder, each as applicable to us (collectively, "Data Protection Laws"). References to "you" or an "investor" in this Privacy Notice mean any investor who is an individual, or any individual connected with an investor who is a legal person (each such individual, a "data subject"), as applicable.

The Types of Personal Data We May Collect and Use

The categories of personal data we may collect include names, residential addresses or other contact details, signature, nationality, tax identification number, date of birth, place of birth, photographs, copies of identification documents, bank account details, information about assets or net worth, credit history, source of funds details or other sensitive information, such as certain special categories of data contained in the relevant materials or documents.

How We Collect Personal Data

We may collect personal data about you through: (i) information provided directly to us by you, or another person on your behalf; (ii) information that we obtain in relation to any transactions between you and us; and (iii) recording and monitoring of telephone conversations and electronic communications with you as described below.

We also may receive your personal information from third parties or other sources, such as our affiliates, the Investment Adviser, the Administrator, publicly accessible databases or registers, tax authorities, governmental agencies and supervisory authorities, credit agencies, fraud prevention and detection agencies, or other publicly accessible sources, such as the Internet.

Using Your Personal Data: The Legal Basis and Purposes

We may process your personal data for the purposes of administering the relationship between you and us (including communications and reporting), direct marketing of our products and services, monitoring and analyzing our activities, and complying with applicable legal or regulatory requirements (including anti-money laundering, fraud prevention, tax reporting, sanctions compliance, or responding to requests for information from supervisory authorities with competent jurisdiction over our business). Your personal data will be processed in accordance with Data Protection Laws and may be processed with your consent, upon your instruction, or for any of the purposes set out herein, including where we or a third-party consider there to be any other lawful purpose to do so.

Where personal data is required to satisfy a statutory obligation (including compliance with applicable anti-money laundering or sanctions requirements) or a contractual requirement, failure to provide such information may result in your investment in the Company being rejected or compulsorily redeemed. Where there is suspicion of unlawful activity, failure to provide personal data may result in the submission of a report to the relevant law enforcement agency or supervisory authority.

How We May Share Your Personal Data

We may disclose information about you to our affiliates or third parties, including the Investment Adviser, the Administrator, lenders and other counterparties of the Company for our everyday business purposes, such as to facilitate transactions, maintain your account(s) or respond to court orders and legal investigations. It may also be necessary, under anti-money laundering and similar laws, to disclose information about the Company's investors in order to accept subscriptions from them or to facilitate the establishment of trading relationships for the Company with executing brokers or other counterparties. We will also release information about you if you direct us to do so.

We may share your information with our affiliates for direct marketing purposes, such as offers of products and services to you by us or our affiliates. You may prevent this type of sharing by contacting us at 844-383-8620. If you are a new investor, we can begin sharing your information with our affiliates for direct marketing purposes 30 days from the date of your initial investment in or commitment to the Company. When you are no longer our investor, we may continue to share your information with our affiliates for such purposes. We may also disclose information about your transactions and experiences with us to our affiliates for their everyday business purposes.

We do not share your information with non-affiliates for them to market their own services to you. We may disclose information you provide to us to companies that perform marketing services on our behalf, such as any placement agent retained by the Company.

Monitoring of Communications

We may record and monitor telephone conversations and electronic communications with you for the purposes of: (i) ascertaining the details of instructions given, the terms on which any transaction was executed or any other relevant circumstances; (ii) ensuring compliance with our regulatory obligations; and/or (iii) detecting and preventing the commission of financial crime.

Retention Periods and Security Measures

We will not retain personal data for longer than is necessary in relation to the purpose for which it is collected, subject to Data Protection Laws. Personal data will be retained for the duration of your investment in the Company, as applicable, and for a minimum period of five to seven years after a redemption of an investment from the Company or liquidation of the Company. We may retain personal data for a longer period for the purpose of marketing our products and services or compliance with applicable law. From time to time, we will review the purpose for which personal data has been collected and decide whether to retain it or to delete if it no longer serves any purpose to us.

To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we apply technical and organizational security measures in accordance with Data Protection Laws. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings. We will notify you of any material personal data breaches affecting you in accordance with the requirements of Data Protection Laws.

International Transfers

Because of the international nature of a fund management business, personal data may be transferred to countries outside the European Economic Area (“Third Countries”), such as to jurisdictions where we conduct business or have a service provider, including the United States and other countries that may not have the same level of data protection as that afforded by the Data Protection Laws in the European Economic Area. In such cases, we will process personal data (or procure that it be processed) in the Third Countries in accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Laws, which may include having appropriate contractual undertakings in legal agreements with service providers who process personal data on our behalf in such Third Countries.

Your Rights Under Data Protection Laws

Data subjects in the European Economic Area have certain rights under GDPR in relation to our processing of their personal data and these are, generally: (i) the right to request access to their personal data; (ii) the right to request rectification of their personal data; (iii) the right to request erasure of their personal data (the “right to be forgotten”); (iv) the right to restrict our processing or use of personal data; (v) the right to object to our processing or use where we have considered this to be necessary for our legitimate interests (such as in the case of direct marketing activities); (vi) where relevant, the right to request the portability; (vii) where their consent to processing has been obtained, the right to withdraw their consent at any time; and (viii) the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority. Please note that the right to be forgotten that applies in certain circumstances under GDPR is not likely to be available in respect of the personal data we hold, given the purpose for which we collect such data, as described above.

You may contact us at any time to limit our sharing of your personal information. If you limit sharing for an account you hold jointly with someone else, your choices will apply to everyone on your account. United States state laws may give you additional rights to limit sharing.

Who To Contact About This Privacy Notice

Please contact our chief compliance officer at 844-383-8620 or by writing to the following address: Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, 810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10019, for any questions about this Privacy Notice or requests with regards to the personal data we hold.

For more specific information or requests in relation to the processing of personal data by the Administrator or any other service provider of the Company, you may also contact the relevant service provider directly at the address specified herein.

ITEM 1A RISK FACTORS.

An investment in our securities involves certain risks relating to our structure and investment objective. The risks set forth below are not the only risks that we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may materially affect our business, our structure, our financial condition, our investments and/or operating results. If any of the following events occur, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. In such case, our net asset value and the trading price of our common stock could decline. There can be no assurance that we will achieve our investment objective and you may lose all or part of your investment.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR BUSINESS AND STRUCTURE

We are a newly formed company and have no operating history.

We will not commence investment operations until the Initial Closing Date and have no performance history. Past performance, including the past performance of other investment entities and accounts managed by the Investment Adviser, is not necessarily indicative of our future results.

Global capital markets could enter a period of severe disruption and instability. These market conditions have historically and could again have a materially adverse effect on debt and equity capital markets in the U.S., which could have, a materially negative impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The U.S. and global capital markets have experienced periods of disruption characterized by the freezing of available credit, a lack of liquidity in the debt capital markets, significant losses in the principal value of investments, the re-pricing of credit risk in the broadly syndicated credit market, the failure of certain major financial institutions and general volatility in the financial markets. During these periods of disruption, general economic conditions deteriorated with material and adverse consequences for the broader financial and credit markets, and the availability of debt and equity capital for the market as a whole, and financial services firms in particular, was reduced significantly. These conditions may reoccur for a prolonged period of time or materially worsen in the future. In addition, signs of deteriorating sovereign debt conditions in Europe and concerns of economic slowdown in China create uncertainty that could lead to further disruptions and instability. We may in the future have difficulty accessing debt and equity capital, and a severe disruption in the global financial markets, deterioration in credit and financing conditions or uncertainty regarding U.S. Government spending and deficit levels, European sovereign debt, Chinese economic slowdown or other global economic conditions could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Global economic, political and market conditions may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition, including our revenue growth and profitability.

The current worldwide financial market situation, as well as various social and political tensions in the U.S. and around the world, may contribute to increased market volatility, may have long-term effects on the U.S. and worldwide financial markets, and may cause economic uncertainties or deterioration in the U.S. and worldwide. Since 2010, several European Union (“EU”) countries, including Greece, Ireland, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, have faced budget issues, some of which may have negative long-term effects for the economies of those countries and other EU countries. There is continued concern about national-level support for the Euro and the accompanying coordination of fiscal and wage policy among European Economic and Monetary Union member countries. In a June 2016 referendum, citizens of the United Kingdom (“U.K.”) voted to leave the EU in a decision commonly known as “Brexit.” On January 31, 2020, the United Kingdom withdrew from the EU subject to a withdrawal agreement that permits the United Kingdom to effectively remain in the EU from an economic perspective during a transition phase that was set to expire at the end of 2020. On December 24, 2020, the United Kingdom and EU announced a preliminary trade agreement and security deal, which was ratified by the United Kingdom Parliament and approved by European Union governments. The agreement took effect on January 1, 2021 and replaces the existing arrangements during the transitional period. The United Kingdom and the EU will continue to negotiate and finalize rules and agreements regarding the United Kingdom’s exit from the EU.

Brexit created political and economic uncertainty and instability in the global markets (including currency and credit markets), and especially in the U.K. and the EU, and this uncertainty and instability may last indefinitely. The United Kingdom’s decision to leave the EU has created significant uncertainty about the future relationship between the U.K. and the EU and also the future status of trade deals between the U.K. and the rest of the world, which may need to be negotiated on a bilateral basis upon the E.U.’s trade deals ceasing to apply to the U.K. upon its official departure. The U.K.’s referendum has also given rise to calls for the governments of other E.U. member states to consider withdrawal. These developments, or the perception that any of them could occur, have had and may continue to have a material adverse effect on global economic conditions and the stability of global financial markets, markets, the economy generally and on our ability to execute our investment strategies and to receive attractive returns, and may significantly reduce global market liquidity and restrict the ability of key market participants to operate in certain financial markets. Any of these factors could depress economic activity and harm our investment objective. In addition, the fiscal policy of foreign nations, such as Russia and China, may have a severe impact on the worldwide and U.S. financial markets. We cannot predict the effects of these or similar events in the future on the U.S. economy and securities markets or on our investments. We monitor developments and seek to manage our investments in a manner consistent with achieving our investment objective, but there can be no assurance that we will be successful in doing so.

In the United States, the economy has generally recovered from the 2008 financial crisis, however the impact of the outbreak of the coronavirus, as discussed below, brings new uncertainty. The S&P 500 had reached new record levels and leverage loan and high yield issuance had surged as investors once again are pursuing yield in the protracted low interest rate environment. However, there has been substantial recent volatility in the markets, and it is not possible to predict how long this volatility will continue or what impact it will have on the Company or its investments. While there appear to be some similarities to the run-up to the financial crisis, there has also been a sweeping overhaul of the U.S. financial regulatory system, resulting in increased oversight, transparency and accountability. In general, corporations have strong balance sheets and record profitability, banks have more tangible capital to absorb losses and the housing market does not appear to be overheated.

Regulatory changes and credit cycles lead to dislocations in the various markets in which the Company is expected to invest, and provide an ever-changing landscape that inevitably will be different from the ones faced in prior economic cycles.

It is uncertain whether regulatory and other governmental actions will be able to prevent further losses and volatility in securities markets, or stimulate the credit markets. The Company may be adversely affected by the foregoing events, or by similar or other events, including tax reform, in the future. In the longer term, there may be significant new regulations that could limit the Company's activities and investment opportunities or change the functioning of the capital markets, and there is the possibility of a severe worldwide economic downturn. Consequently, the Company may not be capable of, or successful at, preserving the value of its assets, generating positive investment returns or effectively managing risks.

The activities of the Company could be materially adversely affected by the instability in the U.S. and/or global financial markets and/or changes in market, economic, political, and/or regulatory conditions, as well as by numerous other factors outside the control of the Company, the Investment Adviser, the Stockholders and their respective affiliates. The outcomes of U.S. elections may create uncertainty with respect to legal, tax and regulatory regimes in which the Company and its portfolio companies, as well as the Investment Adviser and its affiliates operate. Any significant changes in economic or tax policy and/or government programs could have a material adverse impact on the Company and on the Company's investments.

Many of the portfolio companies in which the Company will invest may be susceptible to economic slowdowns or recessions. Therefore, non-performing assets may increase and the value of the Company's portfolio may decrease during these periods as the Company is required to record the investments at their current fair value. Economic slowdowns or recessions could lead to financial losses in the Company's portfolio and a decrease in revenues, net income and assets. Unfavorable economic conditions also could increase portfolio companies' funding costs, limit portfolio companies' access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders (including the Company) not to extend credit to such portfolio company. These events could prevent the Company from increasing investments and harm its operating results.

We may suffer credit losses.

Investments in middle market businesses are highly speculative and involve a high degree of risk of credit loss. These risks are likely to increase during volatile economic periods, such as the U.S. and many other economies have recently been experiencing.

We do not expect to replicate the historical performance of other entities managed or supported by the Investment Adviser.

We do not expect to replicate the historical performance of the Investment Adviser's investments, or those of its affiliates. In addition, our investment strategies may differ from those of the Investment Adviser or its affiliates. We, as a BDC and as a RIC, are subject to certain regulatory restrictions that do not apply to the Investment Adviser or its affiliates.

We are generally not permitted to invest in any portfolio company in which the Investment Adviser or any of its affiliates currently have an investment or to make any co-investments with the Investment Adviser or its affiliates, except to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act, or pursuant to Exemptive Orders, which we are currently seeking, but has not yet been granted and there is no guarantee that such relief will be granted. This may adversely affect the pace at which we make investments. Finally, we can offer no assurance that our investment team will be able to continue to implement our investment objective with the same degree of success as it has had in the past.

We may be subject to risks that may arise in connection with the rules under ERISA related to investment by ERISA Plans.

We intend to operate so that we will be an appropriate investment for employee benefit plans subject to ERISA. We will use reasonable efforts to conduct our affairs so that our assets will not be deemed to be "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA. In this regard, we intend to operate as a "venture capital operating company."

There is uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments because most of our investments are, and may continue to be, in private companies and recorded at fair value. In addition, the fair values of our investments are determined by our Board in accordance with our valuation policy.

Some of our investments are and may be in the form of securities or loans that are not publicly traded. The fair value of these investments may not be readily determinable. Under the 1940 Act, we are required to carry our portfolio investments at market value or, if there is no readily available market value, at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board, including to reflect significant events affecting the value of our securities. We (or an unaffiliated third-party firm, to the extent that our assets are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA) value our investments for which we do not have readily available market quotations quarterly, or more frequently as circumstances require, at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board in accordance with our valuation policy, which is at all times consistent with GAAP. See “*Item 1. Business—Valuation of Portfolio Securities*” for additional information on valuations.

We will utilize independent third-party and unaffiliated valuation firms for the purposes of valuing our portfolio investments to the extent that such assets are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA. (See “*Item 1. Business—The Administrator*.”). Under such circumstances, the valuations of such third-party and unaffiliated valuations firms must be used without adjustment.

However, to the extent that our assets are not treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, the Board still expects to utilize the services of one or more independent third-party valuation firms to aid it in determining the fair value with respect to our material unquoted assets in accordance with our valuation policy. Under such circumstances, the inputs into the determination of fair value of these investments may require significant management judgment or estimation. Even if observable market data is available, such information may be the result of consensus pricing information or broker quotes, which include a disclaimer that the broker would not be held to such a price in an actual transaction. The non-binding nature of consensus pricing and/or quotes accompanied by disclaimers materially reduces the reliability of such information.

Furthermore, under such circumstances where our assets are not treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, the types of factors that the Board may take into account in determining the fair value of our investments is generally expanded to include, as appropriate: available market data, including relevant and applicable market trading and transaction comparables, applicable market yields and multiples, security covenants, call protection provisions, information rights, the nature and realizable value of any collateral, the portfolio company’s ability to make payments, its earnings and discounted cash flows and the markets in which it does business, comparisons of financial ratios of peer companies that are public, comparable merger and acquisition transactions and the principal market and enterprise values. Since these valuations, and particularly valuations of private securities and private companies, are inherently uncertain, may fluctuate over short periods of time and may be based on estimates, our determinations of fair value may differ materially from the values that would have been used if a ready market for these securities existed. Due to this uncertainty, our fair value determinations may cause our net asset value, on any given date, to be materially understated or overstated. In addition, investors purchasing our common stock based on an overstated net asset value would pay a higher price than the realizable value that our investments might warrant.

To the extent that our assets are not treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, we may adjust quarterly the valuation of our portfolio to reflect our Board’s determination of the fair value of each investment in our portfolio. Any changes in fair value are recorded in our statement of operations as net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation.

Our ability to achieve our investment objective depends on key investment personnel of the Investment Adviser. If the Investment Adviser were to lose any of its key investment personnel, our ability to achieve our investment objective could be significantly harmed.

We depend on the investment judgment, skill and relationships of the investment professionals of the Investment Adviser to identify, evaluate, negotiate, structure, execute, monitor and service our investments. The Investment Adviser is supported by a team, which as of April 2022 consisted of over approximately 50 employees to fulfill its obligations to us under the Investment Advisory Agreement. The departure of any of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on our ability to achieve our investment objective.

The Investment Committee, which provides oversight over our investment activities, is provided by the Investment Adviser. The loss of any member of the Investment Committee or of other senior professionals of the Investment Adviser and its affiliates without suitable replacement could limit our ability to achieve our investment objective and operate as we anticipate. This could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operation and cash flows. To achieve our investment objective, the Investment Adviser may hire, train, supervise and manage new investment professionals to participate in its investment selection and monitoring process. If the Investment Adviser is unable to find investment professionals or do so in a timely manner, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

The Investment Adviser has limited experience managing a BDC or a RIC, which could adversely affect our business.

Other than us, the Investment Adviser does not currently manage any companies that are regulated as BDCs and are RICs. The 1940 Act and the Code impose numerous constraints on the operations of BDCs and RICs that do not apply to the other investment vehicles previously managed by the investment professionals of the Investment Adviser. For example, under the 1940 Act, BDCs are required to invest at least 70% of their total assets primarily in securities of qualifying U.S. private or thinly traded companies, cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and other high quality debt investments that mature in one year or less. Moreover, qualification for taxation as a RIC under subchapter M of the Code requires satisfaction of

source-of-income, asset diversification and Annual Distribution Requirements. The failure to comply with these provisions in a timely manner could prevent us from qualifying as a BDC or as a RIC and could force us to pay unexpected taxes and penalties, which would have a material adverse effect on our performance. The Investment Adviser's lack of experience in managing a portfolio of assets under the constraints applicable to BDCs and RICs may hinder its ability to take advantage of attractive investment opportunities and, as a result, achieve our investment objective. If we fail to maintain our status as a BDC or tax treatment as a RIC, our operating flexibility could be significantly reduced.

We may face risks due to shared employees between our Investment Adviser and its affiliates and other activities of the personnel of our Investment Adviser.

Our Investment Adviser expects to rely heavily on the extensive expertise and industry relationships developed by the employees and certain senior advisors of certain of its affiliates to identify and evaluate potential investment opportunities for the Company.

By reason of their responsibilities in connection with their other activities, certain personnel of our Investment Adviser (or employees and affiliates thereof) may acquire confidential or material non-public information or be restricted from initiating transactions in certain securities. In those instances, we will not be free to act upon any such information. Due to these restrictions, we may not be able to initiate a transaction that we otherwise might have initiated and may not be able to sell a portfolio investment that we otherwise might have sold. Conversely, we may not have access to material non-public information in the possession of our Investment Adviser and its affiliates which might be relevant to an investment decision to be made by us, and we may initiate a transaction or sell a portfolio investment which, if such information had been known to us, may not have been undertaken. (See also “—*The Investment Committee, the Investment Adviser or its affiliates may, from time to time, possess material non-public information, limiting our investment discretion.*”)

We operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities and may not be able to compete effectively.

We compete for investments with other BDCs and investment funds (including private equity and hedge funds), as well as traditional financial services companies such as commercial banks and other sources of funding. Many of our competitors are substantially larger and have considerably greater financial, technical and marketing resources than we do. For example, some competitors may have a lower cost of capital and access to funding sources that are not available to us. In addition, some of our competitors may have higher risk tolerances or different risk assessments than us. Furthermore, many of our competitors have greater experience operating under, or are not subject to, the regulatory restrictions that the 1940 Act imposes on us as a BDC or the source-of-income, asset diversification and distribution requirements that we must satisfy to maintain our tax treatment as a RIC. These characteristics could allow our competitors to consider a wider variety of investments, establish more relationships and offer better pricing and more flexible structuring than we are able to do.

We may lose investment opportunities if our pricing, terms and structure do not match those of our competitors. With respect to the investments that we make, we do not seek to compete based primarily on the interest rates we may offer, and we believe that some of our competitors may make loans with interest rates that may be lower than the rates we offer. If we match our competitors' pricing, terms and structure, we may experience decreased net interest income, lower yields and increased risk of credit loss. If we are forced to match our competitors' pricing, terms and structure, we may not be able to achieve acceptable returns on our investments or may bear substantial risk of capital loss. Part of our competitive advantage stems from the fact that we believe the market for middle market lending is underserved by traditional bank lenders and other financial sources. A significant increase in the number and/or the size of our competitors in this target market could force us to accept less attractive investment terms. We may also compete for investment opportunities with accounts managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates. Although the Investment Adviser allocates opportunities in accordance with its policies and procedures, allocations to such other accounts reduces the amount and frequency of opportunities available to us and may not be in our best interests and, consequently, our Stockholders. Moreover, the performance of investment opportunities is not known at the time of allocation. If we are not able to compete effectively, our business, financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected, thus affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations. Because of this competition, there can be no assurance that we will be able to identify and take advantage of attractive investment opportunities that we identify or that we will be able to fully invest our available capital.

Our business, results of operations and financial condition depend on our ability to manage future growth effectively.

Our ability to achieve our investment objective and to grow depends on the Investment Adviser's ability to identify, invest in and monitor companies that meet our investment criteria. Accomplishing this result on a cost-effective basis is largely a function of the Investment Adviser's structuring of the investment process, its ability to provide competent, attentive and efficient services to us and its ability to access financing on acceptable terms. The Investment Adviser has substantial responsibilities under the Investment Advisory Agreement and may also be called upon to provide managerial assistance to our eligible portfolio companies. These demands on the time of the Investment Adviser and its investment professionals may distract them or slow our rate of investment. In order to grow, we and the Investment Adviser may need to retain, train, supervise and manage new investment professionals. However, these investment professionals may not be able to contribute effectively to the work of the Investment Adviser. If we are unable to manage our future growth effectively, our business, results of operations and financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

We may borrow money, which could magnify the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested in us and increase the risk of investing in us.

We may elect to utilize one or more subscription lines (each, a “Subscription Line”), including to fund portfolio investments pending receipt of amounts drawn from Stockholders with respect to unfunded Capital Commitments. We may also guarantee loans made to or in respect of the Company or its investments or enter into repurchase agreements in respect of investments (together with any Subscription Lines, “Leverage Arrangements”).

In accordance with the 1940 Act as presently in effect, BDCs generally are prohibited from incurring additional leverage to the extent it would cause them to have less than a 150% asset coverage ratio, reflecting approximately a 2:1 debt to equity ratio, taking into account the then current fair value of their investments.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 100% of the Stockholders’ Capital Commitments. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company will not utilize leverage or otherwise borrow in excess of 125% (measured at any point of time) of the Stockholders’ Capital Commitments.

Our ability to service any debt that we incur depends largely on our financial performance and is subject to prevailing economic conditions and competitive pressures. In addition, holders of our common stock will, indirectly, bear the burden of any increase in our expenses as a result of leverage.

If we are unable to comply with the covenants or restrictions in our borrowings, our business could be materially adversely affected.

Leverage Arrangements into which we may enter may include covenants that, subject to exceptions, restrict our ability to pay distributions, create liens on assets, make investments, make acquisitions and engage in mergers or consolidations. Such arrangements may also include a change of control provision that accelerates the indebtedness under the facility in the event of certain change of control events. Complying with these restrictions may prevent us from taking actions that we believe would help us grow our business or are otherwise consistent with our investment objective. These restrictions could also limit our ability to plan for or react to market conditions or meet extraordinary capital needs or otherwise restrict corporate activities. In addition, the restrictions contained a credit facility could limit our ability to make distributions to our Stockholders in certain circumstances, which could result in us failing to qualify as a RIC and thus becoming subject to corporate-level U.S. federal income tax (and any applicable state and local taxes).

Limitations on transactions involving derivatives and financial commitment transactions.

The SEC has adopted Rule 18f-4 under the 1940 Act that governs the use of derivatives (defined to include any swap, security-based swap, futures contract, forward contract, option or any similar instrument) as well as financial commitment transactions (defined to include reverse repurchase agreements, short sale borrowings and any firm or standby commitment agreement or similar agreement) by BDCs. Under the Rule, a BDC is required to comply with one of two alternative portfolio limitations and manage the risks associated with derivatives transactions and financial commitment transactions by segregating certain assets. Furthermore, a BDC that engages in more than a limited amount of derivatives transactions or that uses complex derivatives is required to establish a formalized derivatives risk management program. Rule 18f-4 may limit our ability to enter into derivatives and financial commitment transactions, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may need to raise additional capital to grow.

We may need additional capital to fund new investments and grow. We may access the capital markets periodically to issue equity securities. In addition, we may also issue debt securities or borrow from financial institutions in order to obtain such additional capital. Unfavorable economic conditions could increase our funding costs and limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. A reduction in the availability of new capital could limit our ability to grow. In addition, we are required to distribute at least 90% of our net ordinary income and net short-term capital gains in excess of net long-term capital losses, if any, to our Stockholders to maintain our RIC status. As a result, these earnings will not be available to fund new investments. If we are unable to access the capital markets or if we are unable to borrow from financial institutions, we may be unable to grow our business and execute our business strategy fully, and our earnings, if any, could decrease, which could have an adverse effect on the value of our securities.

A renewed disruption in the capital markets and the credit markets could adversely affect our business.

As a BDC, we must maintain our ability to raise additional capital for investment purposes. If we are unable to access the capital markets or credit markets, we may be forced to curtail our business operations and may be unable to pursue new investment opportunities. The capital markets and the credit markets have experienced extreme volatility in recent periods, and, as a result, there have been and will likely continue to be uncertainty in the financial markets in general. Disruptions in the capital markets in recent years increased the spread between the yields realized on risk-free and higher risk securities, resulting in illiquidity in parts of the capital markets. In addition, a prolonged period of market illiquidity may cause us to reduce the volume of loans that we originate and/or fund and adversely affect the value of our portfolio investments. Unfavorable economic conditions could also increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. These events could limit our investment originations, limit our ability to grow and negatively impact our operating results. Ongoing disruptive conditions in the financial industry and the impact of new legislation in response to those conditions could restrict our business operations and, consequently, could adversely impact our business, results of operations and financial condition.

If the fair value of our assets declines substantially, we may fail to maintain the asset coverage ratios imposed upon us by the 1940 Act. Any such failure would result in a default under such indebtedness and otherwise affect our ability to issue senior securities, borrow under a credit facility and pay distributions, which could materially impair our business operations. Our liquidity could be impaired further by our inability to access the capital or credit markets. For example, we cannot be certain that we will be able to renew our Leverage Arrangements as they mature or to consummate new arrangements to provide capital for normal operations. In recent years, reflecting concern about the stability of the financial markets, many lenders and institutional investors have reduced or ceased providing funding to borrowers. This market turmoil and tightening of credit have led to increased market volatility and widespread reduction of business activity generally in recent years. In addition, adverse economic conditions due to these disruptive conditions could materially impact our ability to comply with the financial and other covenants in any existing or future Leverage Arrangements. If we are unable to comply with these covenants, this could materially adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Changes in interest rates may affect our cost of capital and net investment income.

To the extent we borrow money to make investments, our net investment income depends, in part, upon the difference between the rate at which we borrow funds and the rate at which we invest those funds. As a result, a significant change in market interest rates may have a material adverse effect on our net investment income in the event we use debt to finance our investments. In periods of rising interest rates, our cost of funds would increase, which could reduce our net investment income. We may use interest rate risk management techniques in an effort to limit our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. These techniques may include various interest rate hedging activities to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR OPERATIONS

Because we intend to distribute substantially all of our income to our Stockholders to maintain our status as a RIC, we will continue to need additional capital to finance our growth. If additional funds are unavailable or not available on favorable terms, our ability to grow may be impaired.

In order for us to qualify for the tax benefits available to RICs and to avoid payment of excise taxes, we intend to distribute to our Stockholders substantially all of our annual taxable income. As a result of these requirements, we may need to raise capital from other sources to grow our business.

Our ability to enter into transactions with our affiliates is restricted.

As a BDC, we are prohibited under the 1940 Act from participating in certain transactions with our affiliates without the prior approval of our Independent Directors and, in some cases, the SEC. Any person that owns, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of our outstanding voting securities is an affiliate of ours for purposes of the 1940 Act. We are generally prohibited from buying or selling any securities (other than our securities) from or to an affiliate. The 1940 Act also prohibits certain “joint” transactions with an affiliate, which could include investments in the same portfolio company (whether at the same or different times), without prior approval of Independent Directors and, in some cases, the SEC. If a person acquires more than 25% of our voting securities, we are prohibited from buying or selling any security (other than our securities) from or to such person or certain of that person’s affiliates, or entering into prohibited joint transactions with such persons, absent the prior approval of the SEC. Similar restrictions limit our ability to transact business with our officers or directors or their affiliates. As a result of these restrictions, we may be prohibited from buying or selling any security from or to any portfolio company of a private equity fund managed by any affiliate of the Investment Adviser without the prior approval of the SEC, which may limit the scope of investment opportunities that would otherwise be available to us.

The Investment Adviser has significant potential conflicts of interest with us and, consequently, your interests as Stockholders which could adversely impact our investment returns.

Our executive officers and directors, as well as the current or future investment professionals of the Investment Adviser, serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or a related line of business as we do or of investment funds managed by our affiliates. Accordingly, they may have obligations to investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which might not be in your interests as Stockholders. We are focused primarily on investing in the investments that we target, in the future, the investment professionals or employees of the Investment Adviser and/or its affiliates that provide services pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement may manage other funds which may from time to time have overlapping investment objectives with our own and, accordingly, may invest in, whether principally or secondarily, asset classes similar to those targeted by us. If this occurs, the Investment Adviser may face conflicts of interest in allocating investment opportunities to us and such other funds. Although the investment professionals endeavor to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner, it is possible that we may not be given the opportunity to participate in certain investments made by the Investment Adviser or persons affiliated with the Investment Adviser or that

certain of these investment funds may be favored over us. When these investment professionals identify an investment, they may be forced to choose which investment fund should make the investment.

While we may co-invest with investment entities managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act and the rules and regulations thereunder and ERISA, if applicable, the 1940 Act imposes significant limits on co-investment. We have submitted an application for exemptive relief from the SEC which, if granted, will permit us to co-invest in portfolio companies with certain funds or entities managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates in certain negotiated transactions where co-investing would otherwise be prohibited under the 1940 Act, subject to the conditions of the exemptive order. Our application for exemptive relief will seek an exemptive order permitting us to co-invest with our affiliates if a “required majority” (as defined in Section 57(o) of the 1940 Act) of our Independent Directors make certain conclusions in connection with a co-investment transaction, including, but not limited to, that (1) the terms of the potential co-investment transaction, including the consideration to be paid, are reasonable and fair to us and our Stockholders and does not involve us or our Stockholders overreaching on the part of any person concerned, and (2) the potential co-investment transaction is consistent with the interests of our Stockholders and is consistent with our then-current investment objectives and strategies. Such relief has not yet been granted and may not be granted. In addition, to the extent that our assets are treated as “plan assets” under ERISA, we will only co-invest in the same issuer with certain funds or entities managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates, so long as their and our respective investments are at the same level of such issuer’s capital structure and so long as such co-investment would not otherwise constitute a “prohibited transaction” under ERISA; *provided*, that in no event will we co-invest with any other fund or entity in contravention of the 1940 Act or ERISA.

If the Investment Adviser forms other affiliates in the future, we may co-invest on a concurrent basis with such other affiliate, subject to compliance with ERISA and the 1940 Act, applicable regulations and regulatory guidance or an exemptive order from the SEC and our allocation procedures. In addition, we pay management fees to the Investment Adviser and reimburse the Investment Adviser for certain expenses it incurs. As a result, investors in our common stock invest in us on a “gross” basis and receive distributions on a “net” basis after our expenses. Any potential conflict of interest arising as a result of the arrangements with the Investment Adviser could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

The Investment Committee, the Investment Adviser or its affiliates may, from time to time, possess material non-public information, limiting our investment discretion.

The Investment Adviser’s investment professionals, Investment Committee or their respective affiliates may serve as directors of, or in a similar capacity with, companies in which we invest, to the extent that such service will not give rise to a prohibited transaction under ERISA or the Code, if applicable. In the event that material non-public information is obtained with respect to such companies, or we become subject to trading restrictions under the internal trading policies of those companies or as a result of applicable law or regulations (including ERISA, if applicable), we could be prohibited for a period of time from purchasing or selling the securities of such companies, and this prohibition may have an adverse effect on us and our Stockholders. (See also “—*We may face risks due to shared employees between our Investment Adviser and its affiliates and other activities of the personnel of our Investment Adviser.*”)

Conflicts of interest may exist related to other arrangements with the Investment Adviser or its affiliates.

We have entered into a royalty-free license agreement with the Adviser under which the Adviser has agreed to grant us a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the name Brightwood. In addition, to the extent (i) Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of our Shares, or (ii) we operate the Company as a “venture capital operating company”, we will reimburse the Administrator for the allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations to us under the Administration Agreement, such as, but not limited to, the allocable portion of the cost of our chief financial officer and chief compliance officer and their respective staffs. This could create conflicts of interest that our Board must monitor.

The Investment Adviser’s liability is limited under the Investment Advisory Agreement, and we have agreed to indemnify the Investment Adviser against certain liabilities, which may lead the Investment Adviser to act in a riskier manner than it would when acting for its own account.

Under the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser does not assume any responsibility other than to render the services called for under that agreement, and it is not responsible for any action of our Board in following or declining to follow the Investment Adviser’s advice or recommendations. Under the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser, its officers, members, personnel, any person controlling or controlled by the Investment Adviser are not liable for acts or omissions performed in accordance with and pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement, except those resulting from acts constituting gross negligence, willful misconduct, bad faith, breach of its fiduciary duties under ERISA, if applicable, or reckless disregard of the Investment Adviser’s duties under the Investment Advisory Agreement. In addition, we have agreed to indemnify the Investment Adviser and each of its officers, directors, members, managers and employees from and against any claims or liabilities, including reasonable legal fees and other expenses reasonably incurred, arising out of or in connection with our business and operations or any action taken or omitted pursuant to authority granted by the Investment Advisory Agreement, except where attributable to gross negligence, willful misconduct, bad faith, breach of its fiduciary duties under ERISA, if applicable, or reckless disregard of such person’s duties under the Investment Advisory Agreement. These protections may lead the Investment Adviser to act in a riskier manner than it would when acting for its own account.

The Investment Adviser can resign upon 60 days' notice, and a suitable replacement may not be found within that time, resulting in disruptions in our operations that could adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Under the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser has the right to resign at any time upon 60 days' written notice, whether a replacement has been found or not. If the Investment Adviser resigns, we may not be able to find a new investment adviser or hire internal management with similar expertise and ability to provide the same or equivalent services on acceptable terms within 60 days, or at all. If a replacement is not able to be found on a timely basis, our business, results of operations and financial condition and our ability to pay distributions are likely to be materially adversely affected. In addition, if we are unable to identify and reach an agreement with a single institution or group of executives having the expertise possessed by the Investment Adviser and its affiliates, the coordination of its internal management and investment activities is likely to suffer. Even if we are able to retain comparable management, whether internal or external, their integration into our business and lack of familiarity with our investment objective may result in additional costs and time delays that may materially adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

The Administrator can resign upon 60 days' notice from its role as Administrator under the Administration Agreement, and a suitable replacement may not be found, resulting in disruptions that could adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

The Administrator has the right to resign under the Administration Agreement upon 60 days' written notice, whether a replacement has been found or not. If the Administrator resigns, it may be difficult to find a new administrator or hire internal management with similar expertise and ability to provide the same or equivalent services on acceptable terms, or at all. If a replacement is not found quickly, our business, results of operations and financial condition, as well as our ability to pay distributions, are likely to be adversely affected. In addition, the coordination of our internal management and administrative activities is likely to suffer if we are unable to identify and reach an agreement with a service provider or individuals with the expertise possessed by the Administrator. Even if a comparable service provider or individuals to perform such services are retained, whether internal or external, their integration into our business and lack of familiarity with our investment objective may result in additional costs and time delays that may materially adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

If we fail to maintain our status as a BDC, our business and operating flexibility could be significantly reduced.

We qualify as a BDC under the 1940 Act. The 1940 Act imposes numerous constraints on the operations of BDCs. For example, BDCs are required to invest at least 70% of their total assets in specified types of securities, primarily in private companies or thinly-traded U.S. public companies, cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities and other high quality debt investments that mature in one year or less. Failure to comply with the requirements imposed on BDCs by the 1940 Act could cause the SEC to bring an enforcement action against us and/or expose us to claims of private litigants. If we do not continue to qualify as a BDC under the 1940 Act at all times during a taxable year, we would fail to qualify as a RIC for tax purposes for such taxable year. In addition, upon approval of a majority of our Stockholders, we may elect to withdraw their respective election as a BDC. If we decide to withdraw our election, or if we otherwise fail to qualify, or maintain our qualification, as a BDC, we may be subject to the substantially greater regulation under the 1940 Act as a closed-end investment company. Compliance with these regulations would significantly decrease our operating flexibility and could significantly increase our cost of doing business.

If we do not invest a sufficient portion of our assets in qualifying assets, we could be precluded from investing in certain assets or could be required to dispose of certain assets, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

As a BDC, we are prohibited from acquiring any assets other than "qualifying assets" unless, at the time of and after giving effect to such acquisition, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets. We may acquire in the future other investments that are not "qualifying assets" to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act. If we do not invest a sufficient portion of our assets in qualifying assets, we would be prohibited from investing in additional assets, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Similarly, these rules could prevent us from making follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies (which could result in the dilution of our position) or could require us to dispose of investments at inopportune times in order to come into compliance with the 1940 Act. If we need to dispose of these investments quickly, it may be difficult to dispose of such investments on favorable terms. For example, we may have difficulty in finding a buyer and, even if a buyer is found, it may have to sell the investments at a substantial loss.

Our ability to invest in public companies may be limited in certain circumstances.

To maintain our status as a BDC, we are not permitted to acquire any assets other than "qualifying assets" specified in the 1940 Act unless, at the time the acquisition is made, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets (with certain limited exceptions). Subject to certain exceptions for follow-on investments and distressed companies, an investment in an issuer that has outstanding securities listed on a national securities exchange may be treated as qualifying assets only if such issuer has a common equity market capitalization that is less than \$250.0 million at the time of such investment.

We may be more susceptible than a diversified fund to being adversely affected by any single corporate, economic, political, or regulatory occurrence.

We are classified as “non-diversified” under the 1940 Act. As a result, we can invest a greater portion of our assets in obligations of a single issuer than a “diversified” fund. We may therefore be more susceptible than a diversified fund to being adversely affected by any single corporate, economic, political or regulatory occurrence. In particular, because our portfolio of investments may lack diversification, we are susceptible to a risk of significant loss if one or more of our investments defaults.

Regulations governing the operations of BDCs may affect our ability to raise additional equity capital as well as our ability to issue senior securities or borrow for investment purposes, any or all of which could have a negative effect on our investment objectives and strategies.

Our business requires a substantial amount of capital. We may acquire additional capital from the issuance of senior securities, including borrowing under a credit facility or other indebtedness. In addition, we may also issue additional equity capital, which would in turn increase the equity capital available to us. However, we may not be able to raise additional capital in the future on favorable terms or at all.

We may issue debt securities and preferred stock, and we may borrow money from banks or other financial institutions, which we refer to collectively as “senior securities”, up to the maximum amount permitted by the 1940 Act. We do not currently intend to issue preferred stock, however. For the avoidance of doubt, we will not issue preferred stock unless a majority of the Company’s outstanding voting shares provide their consent to such issuance. The 1940 Act permits us to issue senior securities in amounts such that our asset coverage, as defined in the 1940 Act, equals at least 150% after each issuance of senior securities. If our asset coverage ratio is not at least 150%, we would be unable to issue senior securities, and if we had senior securities outstanding (other than any indebtedness issued in consideration of a privately arranged loan, such as any indebtedness outstanding under a credit facility), we would be unable to make distributions to our Stockholders. If the value of our assets declines, we may be unable to satisfy this test. If that happens, we may be required to liquidate a portion of our investments and repay a portion of our indebtedness at a time when such sales may be disadvantageous.

In addition, we may in the future seek to securitize other portfolio securities to generate cash for funding new investments. To securitize loans, we would likely create a wholly-owned subsidiary and contribute a pool of loans to the subsidiary. We would then sell interests in the subsidiary on a non-recourse basis to purchasers and we would retain all or a portion of the equity in the subsidiary. If we are unable to successfully securitize its loan portfolio our ability to grow our business or fully execute our business strategy could be impaired and our earnings, if any, could decrease. The securitization market is subject to changing market conditions, and we may not be able to access this market when it would be otherwise deemed appropriate. Moreover, the successful securitization of our portfolio might expose us to losses as the residual investments in which we do not sell interests will tend to be those that are riskier and more apt to generate losses. The 1940 Act also may impose restrictions on the structure of any securitization.

We may also obtain capital through the issuance of additional equity capital. As a BDC, we generally are not able to issue or sell our common stock at a price below net asset value per Share. If our common stock trades at a discount to our net asset value per Share, this restriction could adversely affect our ability to raise equity capital. We may, however, sell our common stock, or warrants, options or rights to acquire our common stock, at a price below our net asset value per Share of the common stock if our Board and Independent Directors determine that such sale is in our best interests and the best interests of our Stockholders, and our Stockholders approve such sale. In any such case, the price at which our securities are to be issued and sold may not be less than a price that, in the determination of our Board, closely approximates the market value of such securities (less any underwriting commission or discount). If we raise additional funds by issuing more Shares, or if we issue senior securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, Shares, the percentage ownership of our Stockholders may decline and you may experience dilution.

Our business model in the future may depend to an extent upon our referral relationships with private equity sponsors and intermediaries, and the inability of the investment professionals of the Investment Adviser to maintain or develop these relationships, or the failure of these relationships to generate investment opportunities, could adversely affect our business strategy.

If the investment professionals of the Investment Adviser fail to maintain existing relationships or develop new relationships with other sponsors or sources of investment opportunities, we may not be able to grow our investment portfolio. In addition, individuals with whom the investment professionals of the Investment Adviser have relationships are not obligated to provide us with investment opportunities, and, therefore, there is no assurance that any relationships they currently or may in the future have will generate investment opportunities for us.

We may experience fluctuations in our annual and quarterly results due to the nature of our business.

We could experience fluctuations in our annual and quarterly operating results due to a number of factors, some of which are beyond our control, including the ability or inability of us to make investments in companies that meet our investment criteria, the interest rate payable on the debt securities acquired and the default rate on such securities, the level of our expenses, variations in and the timing of the recognition of realized and unrealized gains or losses, the degree to which we encounter competition in the markets in which we operate and general economic conditions. As a result of these factors, results for any period should not be relied upon as being indicative of performance in future periods.

Our Board may change our investment objective, operating policies and strategies without prior notice or Stockholder approval, the effects of which may be adverse to your interests as Stockholders.

Our Board has the authority, except as otherwise provided in the 1940 Act, to modify or waive certain of our operating policies and strategies without prior notice and without Stockholder approval. As a result, our Board may be able to change our investment policies and objectives without any input from our Stockholders. However, absent Stockholder approval, we may not change the nature of our business so as to cease to be, or withdraw our election as, a BDC. We cannot predict the effect any changes to our current operating policies and strategies would have on our business and operating results. Nevertheless, any such changes could adversely affect our business and impair our ability to make distributions to our Stockholders.

We will be subject to corporate-level U.S. federal income tax on all of our income if we are unable to maintain tax treatment as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, which would have a material adverse effect on our financial performance.

Although we intend to continue to qualify annually as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, no assurance can be given that we will be able to maintain our RIC tax treatment. To maintain RIC status and be relieved of U.S. federal income taxes on income and gains distributed to our Stockholders, we must meet the annual distribution, source-of-income and asset diversification requirements described below.

The Annual Distribution Requirement for a RIC will be satisfied if we distribute (or are deemed to distribute) to our Stockholders on an annual basis at least 90% of our net ordinary income plus the excess of realized net short-term capital gains over realized net long-term capital losses, if any. To the extent we use debt financing, we would be subject to an asset coverage ratio requirement under the 1940 Act, and we may be subject to certain financial covenants contained in debt financing agreements (as applicable). This asset coverage ratio requirement and these financial covenants could, under certain circumstances, restrict us from making distributions to our Stockholders, which distributions are necessary for us to satisfy the Annual Distribution Requirement. If we are unable to obtain cash from other sources, and thus are unable to make sufficient distributions to our Stockholders, we could fail to qualify for RIC tax treatment and thus become subject to certain corporate-level U.S. federal income tax (and any applicable state and local taxes).

The source-of-income requirement will be satisfied if at least 90% of our allocable share of our gross income for each year is derived from dividends, interest payments with respect to loans of certain securities, gains from the sale of stock or other securities, net income from certain “qualified publicly traded partnerships” or other income derived with respect to our business of investing in such stock or securities.

The asset diversification requirement will be satisfied if we meet certain asset diversification requirements at the end of each quarter of our taxable year. To satisfy this requirement, at least 50% of the value of our assets must consist of cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities, securities of other RICs, and other such securities if such other securities of any one issuer do not represent more than 5% of the value of our assets or more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of the issuer; and no more than 25% of the value of our assets can be invested in the securities, other than U.S. government securities or securities of other RICs, of one issuer, of two or more issuers that are controlled, as determined under applicable Code rules, by it and that are engaged in the same or similar or related trades or businesses or of certain “qualified publicly traded partnerships.” Failure to meet these requirements may result in us having to dispose of certain investments quickly in order to prevent the loss of our RIC status. Because most of our investments are intended to be in private companies, and therefore may be relatively illiquid, any such dispositions could be made at disadvantageous prices and could result in substantial losses.

If we fail to maintain our tax treatment as a RIC for any reason, and we do not qualify for certain relief provisions under the Code, we would be subject to corporate-level U.S. federal income tax (and any applicable state and local taxes). In this event, the resulting taxes could substantially reduce our net assets, the amount of income available for distribution and the amount of our distributions, which would have a material adverse effect on our financial performance.

We may not be able to pay you distributions on our common stock, our distributions to you may not grow over time and a portion of our distributions to you may be a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

We intend to pay quarterly distributions to our Stockholders out of assets legally available for distribution. Such quarterly distributions will generally consist of cash or cash equivalents, except that the Company may make distributions of assets in kind with the prior consent of each receiving Stockholder. We cannot assure you that we will continue to achieve investment results that will allow us to make a specified level of cash distributions or year-to-year increases in cash distributions. If we are unable to satisfy the asset coverage test applicable to us as a BDC, our ability to pay distributions to our Stockholders could be limited. All distributions are paid at the discretion of our Board and depend on our earnings, financial

condition, maintenance of our RIC status, compliance with applicable BDC regulations and such other factors as our Board may deem relevant from time to time. The distributions that we pay to our Stockholders in a year may exceed our taxable income for that year and, accordingly, a portion of such distributions may constitute a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes. To the extent that the Company's distributions contain a return of capital, such distributions should not be considered the dividend yield or total return of an investment in the Company's common stock. A return of capital does not constitute net profits. In other words, you should not assume that the source of a distribution from the Fund is net profit. Additionally, the amount treated as a tax free return of capital will reduce your adjusted tax basis in the Company's shares, thereby increasing your potential taxable gain or reducing the potential taxable loss on the sale of the shares."

We may have difficulty paying our required distributions if we recognize taxable income before or without receiving cash representing such income.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, we include in our taxable income our allocable share of certain amounts that we have not yet received in cash, such as original issue discount or accruals on a contingent payment debt instrument, which may occur if we receive warrants in connection with the origination of a loan (among other circumstances) or contracted PIK interest and dividends, which generally represents contractual interest added to the loan balance and due at the end of the loan term. Our allocable share of such original issue discount and PIK interest are included in our taxable income before we receive any corresponding cash payments. We also may be required to include in our taxable income our allocable share of certain other amounts that we will not receive in cash.

Because in certain cases we may recognize taxable income before or without receiving cash representing such income, we may have difficulty making distributions to our Stockholders that will be sufficient to enable us to meet the Annual Distribution Requirement necessary for us to qualify for tax treatment as a RIC. Accordingly, we may need to sell some of our assets at times and/or at prices that we would not consider advantageous. We may need to raise additional equity or debt capital, or we may need to forego new investment opportunities or otherwise take actions that are disadvantageous to our business (or be unable to take actions that are advantageous to our business) to enable us to make distributions to our Stockholders that will be sufficient to enable us to meet the annual distribution requirement. If we are unable to obtain cash from other sources to enable us to meet the annual distribution requirement, we may fail to qualify for the U.S. federal income tax benefits allowable to RICs and, thus, become subject to a corporate-level U.S. federal income tax (and any applicable state and local taxes).

We could be required to restructure or liquidate our investment in a subsidiary if applicable provisions of the Code and the Treasury Regulations do not remain in effect.

Upon making an investment through a subsidiary, we intend to comply with the current requirements under the Code and Treasury Regulations for income derived from our investment in the subsidiary to be treated as "qualifying income" from which a RIC must derive at least 90% of its annual gross income. See "*—Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.*" There is no assurance that the applicable provisions of the Code and the Treasury Regulations will remain in effect; these provisions (and interpretations thereof) are subject to change, potentially with retroactive effect. We may need to restructure or liquidate our investment in a subsidiary accordingly. In the case of such liquidation, there is no guarantee that we would be able to reinvest such investments in securities with comparable returns.

Changes in laws or regulations governing our operations may adversely affect our business or cause us to alter our business strategy.

Changes in the laws or regulations or the interpretations of the laws and regulations that govern BDCs, RICs or non-depository commercial lenders could significantly affect our operations and our cost of doing business. Our portfolio companies are subject to U.S. federal, state and local laws and regulations. New legislation may be enacted or new interpretations, rulings or regulations could be adopted, any of which could materially adversely affect our business, including with respect to the types of investments we are permitted to make, and your interests as Stockholders potentially with retroactive effect. In addition, any changes to the laws and regulations governing our operations relating to permitted investments may cause us to alter our investment strategy in order to avail ourselves of new or different opportunities. These changes could result in material changes to our strategies which may result in our investment focus shifting from the areas of expertise of the Investment Adviser to other types of investments in which the Investment Adviser may have less expertise or little or no experience. Any such changes, if they occur, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition and, consequently, the value of your investment in us.

Over the last several years, there has been an increase in regulatory attention to the extension of credit outside of the traditional banking sector, raising the possibility that some portion of the non-bank financial sector will be subject to new regulation. While it cannot be known at this time whether these regulations will be implemented or what form they will take, increased regulation of non-bank credit extension could negatively impact our operations, cash flows or financial condition, impose additional costs on us, intensify the regulatory supervision of us or otherwise adversely affect our business.

We cannot predict how tax reform legislation will affect us, our investments, or our Stockholders, and any such legislation could adversely affect our business.

Legislative or other actions relating to taxes could have a negative effect on us. The rules dealing with U.S. federal income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the Internal Revenue Service and the U.S. Treasury Department. We cannot predict

with certainty how any future changes in the tax laws might affect us, our Stockholders, or our portfolio investments. New legislation and any U.S. Treasury regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions interpreting such legislation could significantly and negatively affect our ability to qualify for tax treatment as a RIC or the U.S. federal income tax consequences to us and our Stockholders of such qualification, or could have other adverse consequences. Stockholders are urged to consult with their tax advisor regarding tax legislative, regulatory, or administrative developments and proposals and their potential effect on an investment in our securities.

Our business and operations could be negatively affected if we become subject to any securities litigation or stockholder activism, which could cause us to incur significant expense and hinder execution of investment strategy.

Stockholder activism, which could take many forms or arise in a variety of situations, has been increasing in the BDC space recently. While we are currently not subject to any securities litigation or stockholder activism, we may in the future become the target of securities litigation or stockholder activism. Securities litigation and stockholder activism, including potential proxy contests, could result in substantial costs and divert the attention of our management and Board and resources from our business. Additionally, such securities litigation and stockholder activism could give rise to perceived uncertainties as to our future, adversely affect our relationships with service providers and make it more difficult to attract and retain qualified personnel. Also, we may be required to incur significant legal fees and other expenses related to any securities litigation or activist stockholder matters.

The effect of global climate change may impact the operations of our portfolio companies.

There may be evidence of global climate change. Climate change creates physical and financial risk and some of our portfolio companies may be adversely affected by climate change. For example, the needs of customers of energy companies vary with weather conditions, primarily temperature and humidity. To the extent weather conditions are affected by climate change, energy use could increase or decrease depending on the duration and magnitude of any changes. Increases in the cost of energy could adversely affect the cost of operations of our portfolio companies if the use of energy products or services is material to their business. A decrease in energy use due to weather changes may affect some of our portfolio companies' financial condition, through decreased revenues. Extreme weather conditions in general require more system backup, adding to costs, and can contribute to increased system stresses, including service interruptions.

In December 2015 the United Nations, of which the U.S. is a member, adopted a climate accord (the "Paris Agreement") with the long-term goal of limiting global warming and the short-term goal of significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions. As a result, some of our portfolio companies may become subject to new or strengthened regulations or legislation, which could increase their operating costs and/or decrease their revenues.

We are not currently required to have comprehensive documentation of our internal controls.

We are not currently required to comply with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, including the internal control evaluation and certification requirements of Section 404 of that statute ("Section 404"), and will not be required to comply with all of those requirements until we have been subject to the reporting requirements of the 1934 Act for a specified period of time or the date we are no longer an emerging growth company under the JOBS Act. Accordingly, such internal controls policies are not required to be established with respect to the Company at this time. Accordingly, our internal controls over financial reporting may not currently meet all of the standards contemplated by Section 404 that we will eventually be required to meet. We are in the process of addressing our internal controls over financial reporting and are establishing formal procedures, policies, processes and practices related to financial reporting and to the identification of key financial reporting risks, assessment of their potential impact and linkage of those risks to specific areas and activities within the Company.

Additionally, we have begun the process of documenting our internal control procedures to satisfy the requirements of Section 404, which requires annual management assessments of the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting. Our independent registered public accounting firm will not be required to formally attest to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting until the later of the year following our first annual report required to be filed with the SEC, or the date we are no longer an emerging growth company under the JOBS Act. Because we are not currently required to have comprehensive documentation of our internal controls and test our internal controls in accordance with Section 404, we cannot conclude in accordance with Section 404 that we do not have a material weakness in our internal controls or a combination of significant deficiencies that could result in the conclusion that we have a material weakness in our internal controls. As a public entity, we will be required to complete our initial assessment in a timely manner. If we are not able to implement the requirements of Section 404 in a timely manner or with adequate compliance, our operations, financial reporting or financial results could be adversely affected. Matters impacting our internal controls may cause us to be unable to report our financial information on a timely basis and thereby subject us to adverse regulatory consequences, including sanctions by the SEC or violations of applicable stock exchange listing rules, and result in a breach of the covenants under the agreements governing any of our financing arrangements. There could also be a negative reaction in the financial markets due to a loss of investor confidence in the Company and the reliability of our financial statements. Confidence in the reliability of our financial statements could also suffer if we or our independent registered public accounting firm were to report a material weakness in our internal controls over financial reporting.

Our business is highly dependent on information systems and systems failures could significantly disrupt our business, which may, in turn, negatively affect our ability to pay distributions.

Our business is highly dependent on the communications and information systems of the Investment Adviser, the Administrator and their affiliates. Any failure or interruption of such systems could cause delays or other problems in our activities. This, in turn, could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and, consequently, negatively affect our ability to pay distributions to our Stockholders. In addition, because many of our portfolio companies operate and rely on network infrastructure and enterprise applications and internal technology systems for development, marketing, operational, support and other business activities, a disruption or failure of any or all of these systems in the event of a major telecommunications failure, cyber-attack, fire, earthquake, severe weather conditions or other catastrophic event could cause system interruptions, delays in product development and loss of critical data and could otherwise disrupt their business operations.

Internal and external cyber threats, as well as other disasters, could impair our ability to conduct business effectively.

The occurrence of a disaster, such as a cyber-attack against us or against a third-party that has access to our data or networks, a natural catastrophe, an industrial accident, failure of our disaster recovery systems, or consequential employee error, could have an adverse effect on our ability to communicate or conduct business, negatively impacting our operations and financial condition. This adverse effect can become particularly acute if those events affect our electronic data processing, transmission, storage, and retrieval systems, or impact the availability, integrity, or confidentiality of our data.

We depend heavily upon computer systems to perform necessary business functions. Despite our implementation of a variety of security measures, our computer systems, networks, and data, like those of other companies, could be subject to cyber-attacks and unauthorized access, use, alteration, or destruction, such as from physical and electronic break-ins or unauthorized tampering. If one or more of these events occurs, it could potentially jeopardize the confidential, proprietary, and other information processed, stored in, and transmitted through our computer systems and networks. Such an attack could cause interruptions or malfunctions in our operations, which could result in financial losses, litigation, regulatory penalties, client dissatisfaction or loss, reputational damage, and increased costs associated with mitigation of damages and remediation.

If unauthorized parties gain access to such information and technology systems, they may be able to steal, publish, delete or modify private and sensitive information, including nonpublic personal information related to Stockholders (and their beneficial owners) and material nonpublic information. The systems we have implemented to manage risks relating to these types of events could prove to be inadequate and, if compromised, could become inoperable for extended periods of time, cease to function properly or fail to adequately secure private information. Breaches such as those involving covertly introduced malware, impersonation of authorized users and industrial or other espionage may not be identified even with sophisticated prevention and detection systems, potentially resulting in further harm and preventing them from being addressed appropriately. The failure of these systems or of disaster recovery plans for any reason could cause significant interruptions in our and our Investment Adviser's operations and result in a failure to maintain the security, confidentiality or privacy of sensitive data, including personal information relating to Stockholders, material nonpublic information and other sensitive information in our possession.

A disaster or a disruption in the infrastructure that supports our business, including a disruption involving electronic communications or other services used by us or third parties with whom we conduct business, or directly affecting our headquarters, could have a material adverse impact on our ability to continue to operate our business without interruption. Our disaster recovery programs may not be sufficient to mitigate the harm that may result from such a disaster or disruption. In addition, insurance and other safeguards might only partially reimburse us for our losses, if at all.

Third parties with which we do business may also be sources of cybersecurity or other technological risk. We outsource certain functions and these relationships allow for the storage and processing of our information, as well as client, counterparty, employee, and borrower information. While we engage in actions to reduce our exposure resulting from outsourcing, ongoing threats may result in unauthorized access, loss, exposure, destruction, or other cybersecurity incident that affects our data, resulting in increased costs and other consequences as described above.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR INVESTMENTS

Our investments in portfolio companies may be risky, and we could lose all or part of any of our investments.

Investments in middle market businesses are highly speculative and involve a high degree of risk of credit loss. These risks are likely to increase during volatile economic periods, such as the U.S. and many other economies have recently experienced. Among other things, these companies:

- may have limited financial resources and may be unable to meet their obligations under their debt instruments that we hold, which may be accompanied by a deterioration in the value of any collateral and a reduction in the likelihood of us realizing any guarantees from subsidiaries or affiliates of our portfolio companies that we may have obtained in connection with our investment, as well as a corresponding decrease in the value of any equity components of our investments;

- may have shorter operating histories, narrower product lines, smaller market shares and/or more significant customer concentrations than larger businesses, which tend to render them more vulnerable to competitors' actions and market conditions, as well as general economic downturns;
- are more likely to depend on the management talents and efforts of a small group of persons; therefore, the death, disability, resignation or termination of one or more of these persons could have a material adverse impact on our portfolio company and, in turn, on us;
- generally have less predictable operating results, may from time to time be parties to litigation, may be engaged in rapidly changing businesses with products subject to a substantial risk of obsolescence;
- may be targets of cybersecurity or other technological risks;
- may require substantial additional capital to support their operations, finance expansion or maintain their competitive position; and
- generally have less publicly available information about their businesses, operations and financial condition.

In addition, in the course of providing significant managerial assistance to certain of our eligible portfolio companies, certain of our officers and directors may serve as directors on the boards of such companies, to the extent permitted under applicable law. We will be entitled to any fees payable by any of our portfolio companies for the services of our officers or directors as directors thereof. To the extent that litigation arises out of our investments in these companies, our officers and directors may be named as defendants in such litigation, which could result in an expenditure of funds (through our indemnification of such officers and directors) and the diversion of management time and resources.

Risks Relating to COVID-19

In late 2019 and early 2020, a novel coronavirus ("SARS-CoV-2") and related respiratory disease ("COVID-19") emerged in China and spread rapidly across the world. This outbreak has led, and for an unknown period of time will continue to lead, to disruptions in local, regional, national and global markets and economies affected thereby. The COVID-19 outbreak has resulted in numerous deaths and the imposition of both local and more widespread "work from home" and other quarantine measures, mandatory closures of businesses deemed "non-essential," border closures and other travel restrictions, a decline in consumer demand for certain goods and services, commercial disruption on a global scale, and general concern and uncertainty, all of which have caused social unrest and significant volatility in financial markets. In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic.

The ongoing spread of COVID-19 has had, and is expected to continue to have, a material adverse impact on local economies in the affected locations and also on the global economy. Many countries have reacted by instituting quarantines and travel restrictions, which has resulted in disruptions in supply chains and adversely impacted various industries, including but not limited to retail, transportation, hospitality, energy and entertainment. These developments may adversely impact certain companies and other issuers in which the Company invests and the value of the Company's investments therein. In addition, while disruptions to the operations of the Company (including those relating to the Company and the Investment Adviser) or the Company's or the Investment Adviser's service providers are not expected, such disruptions (including through quarantine measures and travel restrictions imposed on personnel located in affected locations, or any related health issues of such personnel) could nonetheless occur. Any of the foregoing events could materially and adversely affect the Company's ability to source, manage and divest investments and pursue investment objective and strategies. Similar consequences could arise with respect to other infectious diseases. Given the significant economic and financial market disruptions associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, the valuation and performance of the Company's investments, and therefore shares, may be impacted adversely. The duration of the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects cannot be determined at this time, but the effects could be present for an extended period of time.

Our investment strategy, which is focused primarily on privately held companies, presents certain challenges, including the lack of available information about these companies.

We invest primarily in privately held companies. There is generally little public information about these companies, and, as a result, we must rely on the ability of the Investment Adviser to obtain adequate information to evaluate the potential returns from, and risks related to, investing in these companies. If we are unable to uncover all material information about these companies, we may not make a fully informed investment decision, and we may lose money on our investments. Also, privately held companies frequently have less diverse product lines and smaller market presence than larger competitors. They are, thus, generally more vulnerable to economic downturns and may experience substantial variations in operating results. These factors could adversely affect our investment returns.

Our investments are speculative in nature and are subject to additional risk factors such as increased possibility of default, illiquidity of the security, and changes in value based on changes in interest rates.

Our investments are almost entirely unrated or rated below investment grade, which are often referred to as “leveraged loans”, “high yield” or “junk” securities, and may be considered “high risk” compared to debt instruments that are rated investment grade. High yield securities are regarded as having predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to the issuer’s capacity to pay interest and repay principal in accordance with the terms of the obligations and involve major risk exposure to adverse conditions. In addition, high yield securities generally offer a higher current yield than that available from higher grade issues, but typically involve greater risk. These securities are especially sensitive to adverse changes in general economic conditions, to changes in the financial condition of their issuers and to price fluctuation in response to changes in interest rates. During periods of economic downturn or rising interest rates, issuers of below investment grade instruments may experience financial stress that could adversely affect their ability to make payments of principal and interest and increase the possibility of default.

Our portfolio may be concentrated in a limited number of industries, which may subject us to a risk of significant loss if there is a downturn in a particular industry in which a number of our investments are concentrated.

Our portfolio may be concentrated in a limited number of industries. A downturn in any particular industry in which we are invested could significantly impact the portfolio companies operating in that industry, and accordingly, the aggregate returns that we realize from our investment in such portfolio companies.

Specifically, companies in the business services industry are subject to general economic downturns and business cycles, and will often suffer reduced revenues and rate pressures during periods of economic uncertainty. In addition, companies in the software industry often have narrow product lines and small market shares. Because of rapid technological change, the average selling prices of products and some services provided by software companies have historically decreased over their productive lives. As a result, the average selling prices of products and services offered by software companies in which we invest may decrease over time. If an industry in which we have significant investments suffers from adverse business or economic conditions, as these industries have to varying degrees, a material portion of our investment portfolio could be affected adversely, which, in turn, could adversely affect our financial position and results of operations.

Uncertainty Relating to LIBOR

The terms of many investments, financings or other transactions in the U.S. and globally have been historically tied to interbank reference rates (referred to collectively as the “London Interbank Offered Rate” or “LIBOR”), which function as a reference rate or benchmark for such investments, financings or other transactions. LIBOR may be a significant factor in determining payment obligations under derivatives transactions, the cost of financing of Fund investments or the value or return on certain other Fund investments. As a result, LIBOR may be relevant to, and directly affect, the Fund’s performance, price volatility, liquidity and value, as well as the price volatility, liquidity and value of the assets that the Fund holds.

On July 27, 2017, the Chief Executive of the Financial Conduct Authority (“FCA”), the United Kingdom’s financial regulatory body and regulator of LIBOR, announced that after 2021 it will cease its active encouragement of banks to provide the quotations needed to sustain LIBOR due to the absence of an active market for interbank unsecured lending and other reasons. However, subsequent announcements by the FCA, the LIBOR administrator and other regulators indicate that it is possible that the most widely used tenors of US dollar LIBORs may continue until mid-2023. It is anticipated that LIBOR ultimately will be officially discontinued or the regulator will announce that it is no longer sufficiently robust to be representative of its underlying market around that time. In connection with supervisory guidance from regulators, regulated entities have ceased entering into certain new LIBOR contracts after January 1, 2022. Various financial industry groups have begun planning for that transition and certain regulators and industry groups have taken actions to establish alternative reference rates (e.g., SOFR, which measures the cost of overnight borrowings through repurchase agreement transactions collateralized with U.S. Treasury securities and is intended to replace U.S. dollar LIBORs with certain adjustments). However, there are challenges to converting certain contracts and transactions to a new benchmark and neither the full effects of the transition process nor its ultimate outcome is known.

The transition process might lead to increased volatility and illiquidity in markets for instruments with terms tied to LIBOR. It could also lead to a reduction in the interest rates on, and the value of, some LIBOR-based investments and reduce the effectiveness of hedges mitigating risk in connection with LIBOR-based investments. Although some LIBOR-based instruments may contemplate a scenario where LIBOR is no longer available by providing for an alternative rate-setting methodology and/or increased costs for certain LIBOR-related instruments or financing transactions, others may not have such provisions and there may be significant uncertainty regarding the effectiveness of any such alternative methodologies. Instruments that include robust fallback provisions to facilitate the transition from LIBOR to an alternative reference rate may also include adjustments that do not adequately compensate the holder for the different characteristics of the alternative reference rate. The result may be that the fallback provision results in a value transfer from one party to the instrument to the counterparty. Additionally, because such provisions may differ across instruments (e.g., hedges versus cash positions hedged or investments in structured finance products transitioning to a different rate or at a different time as the assets underlying those structured finance products), LIBOR’s cessation may give rise to basis risk and render hedges less effective. As the usefulness of LIBOR as a benchmark could deteriorate during the transition period, these effects and related adverse conditions could occur prior to the anticipated cessation of the remaining US dollar LIBOR tenors in mid-2023. There also remains uncertainty and risk regarding the willingness and ability of

issuers to include enhanced provisions in new and existing contracts or instruments, notwithstanding significant efforts by the industry to develop robust LIBOR replacement clauses. The effect of any changes to, or discontinuation of, LIBOR on the Fund will vary depending, among other things, on (1) existing fallback or termination provisions in individual contracts and the possible renegotiation of existing contracts and (2) whether, how, and when industry participants develop and adopt new reference rates and fallbacks for both legacy and new products and instruments. Fund investments may also be tied to other interbank offered rates and currencies, which also will face similar issues. In many cases, in the event that an instrument falls back to an alternative reference rate, including SOFR or any reference rate based on SOFR, the alternative reference rate will not perform the same as LIBOR would have and may not include adjustments to such alternative reference rate that are reflective of current economic circumstances or differences between such alternative reference rate and LIBOR. SOFR is based on a secured lending markets in U.S. government securities and does not reflect credit risk in the inter-bank lending market in the way that LIBOR did. In the event of a credit crisis, floating rate instruments using alternative reference rates like SOFR could therefore perform differently than those instruments using a rate indexed to the inter-bank lending market.

Various pieces of legislation, including The LIBOR Act passed by the U.S. Congress and laws enacted by the states of New York and Alabama, affect the transition of LIBOR-based instruments as well by permitting trustees and calculation agents to transition instruments with no LIBOR transition language to an alternative reference rate selected by such agents. Such pieces of legislation also include safe harbors from liability, which may limit the recourse the Fund may have if the alternative reference rate does not fully compensate the Fund for the transition of an instrument from LIBOR. It is uncertain what impact such legislation may have.

These developments could negatively impact financial markets in general and present heightened risks, including with respect to the Fund's investments. As a result of this uncertainty and developments relating to the transition process, the Fund and its investments may be adversely affected.

Defaults by our portfolio companies may harm our operating results.

A portfolio company's failure to satisfy financial or operating covenants imposed by us or other lenders could lead to defaults and, potentially, termination of its loans and foreclosure on its secured assets, which could trigger cross-defaults under other agreements and jeopardize a portfolio company's ability to meet its obligations under the debt or equity securities that we hold.

We may incur expenses to the extent necessary to seek recovery upon default or to negotiate new terms, which may include the waiver of certain financial covenants, with a defaulting portfolio company. In addition, lenders in certain cases can be subject to lender liability claims for actions taken by them when they become too involved in the borrower's business or exercise control over a borrower. It is possible that we could become subject to a lender's liability claim, including as a result of actions taken if we render significant managerial assistance to the borrower. Furthermore, if one of our portfolio companies were to file for bankruptcy protection, even though we may have structured our investment as senior secured debt, depending on the facts and circumstances, including the extent to which we provided managerial assistance to that portfolio company, a bankruptcy court might re-characterize our debt holding and subordinate all or a portion of our claim to claims of other creditors.

The lack of liquidity in our investments may adversely affect our business.

We invest in companies whose securities are not publicly traded and whose securities will be subject to legal and other restrictions on resale or will otherwise be less liquid than publicly traded securities. The illiquidity of these investments may make it difficult for us to sell these investments when desired. In addition, if we are required or otherwise choose to liquidate all or a portion of our portfolio quickly, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we had previously recorded these investments. Our investments are usually subject to contractual or legal restrictions on resale or are otherwise illiquid because there is usually no established trading market for such investments. Because most of our investments are illiquid, we may be unable to dispose of them in which case we could fail to qualify as a RIC and/or a BDC, or we may be unable to do so at a favorable price, and, as a result, we may suffer losses.

Price declines and illiquidity in the corporate debt markets may adversely affect the fair value of our portfolio investments, reducing our net asset value through increased net unrealized depreciation.

As a BDC, we are required to carry our investments at market value or, if no market value is ascertainable, at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board. As part of the valuation process, we (or an unaffiliated third-party firm, to the extent that our assets are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA) may take into account the following types of factors, if relevant, in determining the fair value of our investments:

- a comparison of the portfolio company's securities to publicly traded securities;
- the enterprise value of a portfolio company;
- the nature and realizable value of any collateral;
- the portfolio company's ability to make payments and its earnings and discounted cash flow;

- the markets in which the portfolio company does business; and
- changes in the interest rate environment and the credit markets generally that may affect the price at which similar investments may be made in the future and other relevant factors.

When an external event such as a purchase transaction, public offering or subsequent sale occurs, we will use the pricing indicated by the external event to corroborate our valuation. We will record decreases in the market values or fair values of our investments as unrealized depreciation. Declines in prices and liquidity in the corporate debt markets may result in significant net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio. The effect of all of these factors on our portfolio may reduce our net asset value by increasing net unrealized depreciation in our portfolio. Depending on market conditions, we could incur substantial realized losses and may suffer additional unrealized losses in future periods, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

If we are unable to make follow-on investments in our portfolio companies, the value of our investment portfolio could be adversely affected.

Following an initial investment in a portfolio company, we may make additional investments in that portfolio company as “follow-on” investments, in order to (i) increase or maintain in whole or in part our equity ownership percentage, (ii) exercise warrants, options or convertible securities that were acquired in the original or subsequent financing or (iii) attempt to preserve or enhance the value of our investment. We may elect not to make follow-on investments or may otherwise lack sufficient funds to make these investments. We have the discretion to make follow-on investments, subject to the availability of capital resources. If we fail to make follow-on investments, the continued viability of a portfolio company and our investment may, in some circumstances, be jeopardized and we could miss an opportunity for us to increase our participation in a successful operation. Even if we have sufficient capital to make a desired follow-on investment, we may elect not to make a follow-on investment because we may not want to increase our concentration of risk, either because we prefer other opportunities or because we are subject to BDC requirements that would prevent such follow-on investments or such follow-on investments would adversely impact our ability to maintain our RIC status.

Our portfolio companies may incur debt that ranks equally with, or senior to, our investments in such companies.

We invest in portfolio companies at all levels of the capital structure. Our portfolio companies may have, or may be permitted to incur, other debt that ranks equally with, or senior to, the debt in which we invest. By their terms, these debt instruments may entitle the holders to receive payment of interest or principal on or before the dates on which we are entitled to receive payments with respect to the debt instruments in which we invest. In addition, in the event of insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or bankruptcy of a portfolio company, holders of debt instruments ranking senior to our investment in that portfolio company would typically be entitled to receive payment in full before we receive any distribution. After repaying the senior creditors, the portfolio company may not have any remaining assets to use for repaying its obligation to us. In the case of debt ranking equally with debt instruments in which we invest, we would have to share on an equal basis any distributions with other creditors holding such debt in the event of an insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or bankruptcy of the relevant portfolio company.

The disposition of our investments may result in contingent liabilities.

Most of our investments involve private securities. In connection with the disposition of an investment in private securities, we may be required to make representations about the business and financial affairs of the portfolio company typical of those made in connection with the sale of a business. We may also be required to indemnify the purchasers of such investment to the extent that any such representations turn out to be inaccurate or with respect to certain potential liabilities. These arrangements may result in contingent liabilities that ultimately yield funding obligations that must be satisfied through our return of certain distributions previously made to us.

There may be circumstances where our debt investments could be subordinated to claims of other creditors or we could be subject to lender liability claims.

Even though we may have structured certain of our investments as senior loans, if one of our portfolio companies were to go bankrupt, depending on the facts and circumstances, including the extent to which we actually provided managerial assistance to that portfolio company, a bankruptcy court might re-characterize our debt investment and subordinate all or a portion of our claim to that of other creditors. We may also be subject to lender liability claims for actions taken by us with respect to a borrower’s business or instances where we exercise control over the borrower. It is possible that we could become subject to a lender’s liability claim, including as a result of actions taken in rendering significant managerial assistance.

We generally do not control our portfolio companies.

We generally do not control most of our portfolio companies, even though we may have board representation or board observation rights, and our debt agreements may contain certain restrictive covenants that limit the business and operations of our portfolio companies. As a result, we are subject to the risk that a portfolio company may make business decisions with which we disagree and the management of such company may take risks or otherwise act in ways that do not serve our interests as debt investors. Due to the lack of liquidity of the investments that we typically hold in our

portfolio companies, we may not be able to dispose of our investments in the event that we disagree with the actions of a portfolio company as readily as we would otherwise like to or at favorable prices which could decrease the value of our investments.

Economic recessions, downturns or government spending cuts could impair our portfolio companies and harm our operating results.

Many of our portfolio companies may be susceptible to economic slowdowns or recessions and may be unable to repay its debt investments during these periods. Therefore, our non-performing assets are likely to increase, and the value of our portfolio is likely to decrease during these periods. Adverse economic conditions also may decrease the value of collateral securing some of our debt investments and the value of our equity investments. Economic slowdowns or recessions could lead to financial losses in our portfolio and a decrease in revenues, net income and assets. Unfavorable economic conditions also could increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. These events could prevent us from increasing investments and harm our operating results.

Prepayments of our debt investments by our portfolio companies could adversely impact our results of operations and reduce our return on equity.

We are subject to the risk that the investments we make in our portfolio companies may be repaid prior to maturity. When this occurs, subject to maintenance of our RIC status, we will generally reinvest these proceeds in temporary investments, pending our future investment in new portfolio companies. These temporary investments will typically have substantially lower yields than the debt being prepaid and we could experience significant delays in reinvesting these amounts. Any future investment in a new portfolio company may also be at lower yields than the debt that was repaid. As a result, our results of operations could be materially adversely affected if one or more of our portfolio companies elect to prepay amounts owed to us. Additionally, prepayments could negatively impact our return on equity.

We may not realize gains from our equity investments.

When we invest in the debt of portfolio companies, we may acquire warrants or other equity securities of portfolio companies as well. To the extent we hold equity investments, we will attempt to dispose of them and realize gains upon our disposition of them. However, the equity interests we receive may not appreciate in value and, in fact, may decline in value. As a result, we may not be able to realize gains from our equity interests, and any gains that we do realize on the disposition of any equity interests may not be sufficient to offset any other losses we experience. We also may be unable to realize any value if a portfolio company does not have a liquidity event, such as a sale of the business, recapitalization or public offering, which would allow us to sell the underlying equity interests.

We may be subject to additional risks if we invest in foreign securities and/or engage in hedging transactions.

The 1940 Act generally requires that at least 70% of our investments be in issuers each of whom is organized under the laws of, and has its principal place of business in, any state of the U.S., the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands or any other possession of the U.S. Our investment strategy does not presently contemplate significant investments in securities of non-U.S. companies. However, we may desire to make such investments in the future, to the extent that such transactions and investments are permitted under the 1940 Act. We expect that these investments would focus on the same types of investments that we make in U.S. middle market companies and accordingly would be complementary to our overall strategy and enhance the diversity of our holdings. Investing in foreign companies could expose us to additional risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. companies. These risks include changes in exchange control regulations, political and social instability, expropriation, imposition of foreign taxes, less liquid markets and less available information than is generally the case in the U.S., higher transaction costs, less government supervision of exchanges, brokers and issuers, less developed bankruptcy laws, difficulty in enforcing contractual obligations, lack of uniform accounting and auditing standards and greater price volatility. Investments denominated in foreign currencies would be subject to the risk that the value of a particular currency will change in relation to one or more other currencies. Among the factors that may affect currency values are trade balances, the level of short-term interest rates, differences in relative values of similar assets in different currencies, long-term opportunities for investment and capital appreciation and political developments. We may employ hedging techniques to minimize these risks, but we can offer no assurance that we will, in fact, hedge currency risk, or that if we do, such strategies will be effective.

Engaging in hedging transactions would also, indirectly, entail additional risks to our Stockholders. Although it is not currently anticipated that we would engage in hedging transactions as a principal investment strategy, if we determined to engage in hedging transactions, we generally would seek to hedge against fluctuations of the relative values of our portfolio positions from changes in market interest rates or currency exchange rates. Hedging against a decline in the values of our portfolio positions would not eliminate the possibility of fluctuations in the values of such positions or prevent

losses if the values of the positions declined. However, such hedging could establish other positions designed to gain from those same developments, thereby offsetting the decline in the value of such portfolio positions.

These hedging transactions could also limit the opportunity for gain if the values of the underlying portfolio positions increased. Moreover, it might not be possible to hedge against an exchange rate or interest rate fluctuation that was so generally anticipated that we would not be able to enter into a hedging transaction at an acceptable price. If we choose to engage in hedging transactions, there can be no assurances that we will achieve the intended benefits of such transactions and, depending on the degree of exposure such transactions could create, such transactions may expose us to risk of loss.

While we may enter into these types of transactions to seek to reduce currency exchange rate and interest rate risks, unanticipated changes in currency exchange rates or interest rates could result in poorer overall investment performance than if we had not engaged in any such hedging transactions. In addition, the degree of correlation between price movements of the instruments used in a hedging strategy and price movements in the portfolio positions being hedged could vary. Moreover, for a variety of reasons, we might not seek to establish a perfect correlation between the hedging instruments and the portfolio holdings being hedged. Any imperfect correlation could prevent us from achieving the intended hedge and expose us to risk of loss. In addition, it might not be possible to hedge fully or perfectly against currency fluctuations affecting the value of securities denominated in non-U.S. currencies because the value of those securities would likely fluctuate as a result of factors not related to currency fluctuations.

The SEC has adopted Rule 18f-4 under the 1940 Act that governs the use of derivatives (defined to include any swap, security-based swap, futures contract, forward contract, option or any similar instrument) as well as financial commitment transactions (defined to include reverse repurchase agreements, short sale borrowings and any firm or standby commitment agreement or similar agreement) by BDCs. Under the Rule, a BDC is required to comply with one of two alternative portfolio limitations and manage the risks associated with derivatives transactions and financial commitment transactions by segregating certain assets. Furthermore, a BDC that engages in more than a limited amount of derivatives transactions or that uses complex derivatives is required to establish a formalized derivatives risk management program.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR SECURITIES

Investing in our common stock may involve an above average degree of risk.

The investments we may make may result in a higher amount of risk, volatility or loss of principal than alternative investment options. These investments in portfolio companies may be highly speculative and aggressive, and therefore, an investment in our common stock may not be suitable for investors with lower risk tolerance.

Our charter and our bylaws, as well as certain statutory and regulatory requirements, could deter takeover attempts.

Our charter and bylaws, as well as certain statutory and regulatory requirements, contain certain provisions that may have the effect of discouraging a third party from attempting to acquire us. Our Board may, without Stockholder action, authorize the issuance of shares in one or more classes or series, including preferred shares; and a majority of our entire Board may, without Stockholder action, amend our charter to increase the number of our shares of any class or series that we have authority to issue. These and other takeover defense provisions may inhibit a change of control in circumstances that could give the holders of our Shares the opportunity to realize a premium over the value of our Shares.

You may not receive distributions or our distributions may decline or may not grow over time.

We cannot assure you that we will achieve investment results or maintain a tax status that will allow or require any specified level of cash distributions or year-to-year increases in cash distributions. In particular, our future distributions are dependent upon the investment income we receive on our portfolio investments. To the extent such investment income declines, our ability to pay future distributions may be harmed.

To the extent original issue discount instruments, such as zero coupon bonds and PIK loans, constitute a significant portion of our income, we will be exposed to typical risks associated with such income being required to be included in taxable and accounting income prior to receipt of cash representing such income.

Our investments may include original issue discount (“OID”) instruments, such as zero coupon bonds and loans with contractual PIK interest, which represents contractual interest added to a loan balance and due at the end of such loan’s term. To the extent OID or PIK interest constitute a significant portion of our income, we will be exposed to typical risks associated with such income being required to be included in taxable and accounting income prior to receipt of cash, including the following:

- The higher interest rates of OID instruments and PIK loans reflect the payment deferral and increased credit risk associated with these instruments, and PIK instruments generally represent a significantly higher credit risk than coupon loans;
- OID and PIK instruments may have unreliable valuations because their continuing accruals require continuing judgments about the collectability of the deferred payments and the value of the collateral;

- Market prices of zero coupon or PIK securities are affected to a greater extent by interest rate changes and may be more volatile than securities that pay interest periodically and in cash. PIKs are usually less volatile than zero coupon bonds, but more volatile than cash pay securities;
- For accounting purposes, any cash distributions to our Stockholders representing OID and PIK income are not treated as coming from paid-in capital, even if the cash to pay them comes from offering proceeds. As a result, despite the fact that a distribution representing OID and PIK income could be paid out of amounts invested by our Stockholders, the 1940 Act does not require that our Stockholders be given notice of this fact by reporting it as a return of capital;
- The deferral of PIK interest increases the loan-to-value ratio, which is a measure of the riskiness of a loan; and
- Even if the accounting conditions for income accrual are met, the borrower could still default when the Company's actual payment is due at the maturity of the loan;
- The use of PIK and OID securities may provide certain benefits to the Company's adviser, including increased management fees; and
- The required recognition of OID interest, including PIK interest, for income tax purposes may have a negative impact on liquidity, because it represents a non-cash component of the Company's taxable income that must, nevertheless, be distributed in cash to investors to avoid it being subject to corporate-level taxation.

Although, we do not intend to do so, if we issue preferred stock, the net asset value and market value of our common stock will likely become more volatile.

At the present time, we do not intend to issue preferred stock. However, to the extent that we do issue preferred stock in the future, we cannot assure you that the issuance of preferred stock would result in a higher yield or return to the holders of our common stock. The issuance of preferred stock would likely cause the net asset value and market value of the common stock to become more volatile. If the dividend rate on the preferred stock were to approach the net rate of return on our investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the holders of the common stock would be reduced. If the dividend rate on the preferred stock were to exceed the net rate of return on our portfolio, the leverage would result in a lower rate of return to the holders of common stock than if we had not issued preferred stock. Any decline in the net asset value of our investments would be borne entirely by the holders of common stock. Therefore, if the market value of our portfolio were to decline, the leverage would result in a greater decrease in net asset value to the holders of common stock than if we were not leveraged through the issuance of preferred stock.

We might be in danger of failing to maintain the required asset coverage of the preferred stock or of losing our ratings, if any, on the preferred stock or, in an extreme case, our current investment income might not be sufficient to meet the dividend requirements on the preferred stock. In order to counteract such an event, we might need to liquidate investments in order to fund a redemption of some or all of the preferred stock. In addition, we would pay (and the holders of common stock would bear) all costs and expenses relating to the issuance and ongoing maintenance of the preferred stock, including higher advisory fees if our total return exceeds the dividend rate on the preferred stock. Holders of preferred stock may have different interests than holders of common stock and may at times have disproportionate influence over our affairs.

Although we do not intend to issue any preferred stock, if we issue preferred stock, holders of any preferred stock we might issue would have the right to elect members of our Board and class voting rights on certain matters.

At the present time, we do not intend to issue preferred stock. However, to the extent that we do issue preferred stock in the future, holders of any preferred stock we might issue, voting separately as a single class, would have the right to elect two members of our Board at all times and in the event dividends become two full years in arrears would have the right to elect a majority of the directors until such arrearage is completely eliminated. In addition, preferred stockholders have class voting rights on certain matters, including changes in fundamental investment restrictions and conversion to open-end status, and accordingly can veto any such changes. Restrictions imposed on the declarations and payment of dividends or other distributions to the holders of our common stock and preferred stock, both by the 1940 Act and by requirements imposed by rating agencies, if any, or the terms of our Leverage Arrangements, if any, might impair our ability to maintain our tax treatment as a RIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes. While we would intend to redeem our preferred stock to the extent necessary to enable us to distribute our income as required to maintain our tax treatment as a RIC, there can be no assurance that such actions could be effected in time to meet the tax requirements.

Shares will be registered under the 1934 Act and therefore Stockholders may be subject to certain filing requirements.

Because our common stock will be registered under the 1934 Act, ownership information for any person who beneficially owns 5% or more of our common stock will have to be disclosed in a Schedule 13G or other filings with the SEC. Beneficial ownership for these purposes is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC, and includes having voting or investment power over the securities. In some circumstances, our Stockholders who choose to reinvest their dividends may see their percentage stake in the Company increased to more than 5%, thus triggering this filing requirement. Each Stockholder is responsible for determining their filing obligations and preparing the filings. In addition, our Stockholders who hold

more than 10% of a class of our Shares may be subject to Section 16(b) of the 1934 Act, which recaptures for the benefit of the Company profits from the purchase and sale of registered stock within a six-month period.

We do not currently intend for our Shares to be listed on any national securities exchange.

There is currently no public market for our common stock, and a market for our common stock may never develop. Our common stock is not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any state securities law and is restricted as to transfer by law and the terms of our charter. Our Stockholders generally may not sell, assign or transfer its Shares without prior written consent of the Investment Adviser, which the Investment Adviser may grant or withhold in its sole discretion. Except in limited circumstances for legal or regulatory purposes, our Stockholders are not entitled to redeem their Shares. Our Stockholders must be prepared to bear the economic risk of an investment in our common stock for an indefinite period of time. While we may in the future undertake to list our securities on a national securities exchange, there can be no assurance that such a listing will be successfully completed. Furthermore, an exchange listing does not ensure that an actual market will develop for a listed security.

ITEM 2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

DISCUSSION OF THE COMPANY'S EXPECTED OPERATING PLANS

Overview

We were incorporated on November 15, 2021, under the laws of the State of Maryland. Following the Initial Closing Date, we will file an election to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. We also intend to elect to be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a RIC. As such, we will be required to comply with various regulatory requirements, such as the requirement to invest at least 70% of our assets in “qualifying assets,” source of income limitations, asset diversification requirements, and the requirement to distribute annually at least 90% of our taxable income and tax-exempt interest. See “*Item 1. Business—Operating and Regulatory Environment*” and “*Item 1. Business—Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.*”

We are currently in the development stage and have not commenced investment operations. Since inception, there has been no investment activity. An affiliate of the Investment Adviser has contributed an initial \$10,000 capital contribution to us in exchange for 1,000 Shares. To date, our efforts have been limited to organizational activities, the cost of which has been borne by us and paid by the Investment Adviser and its affiliates. In the event receipt of a formal commitment of external capital does not occur, all organization and offering expenses will be borne by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates.

Revenues

We plan to generate revenues in the form of interest income from the debt securities we hold and dividends and capital appreciation on either direct equity investments or equity interests obtained in connection with originating loans, such as options, warrants or conversion rights. The debt we invest in will typically not be rated by any rating agency, but if it were, it is likely that such debt would be below investment grade. In addition, we (but (for the avoidance of doubt), not our Investment Adviser or Administrator) may also generate revenue in the form of commitment, loan origination, structuring or diligence fees, fees for providing managerial assistance to our portfolio companies, and possibly consulting fees. Certain of these fees may be capitalized and amortized as additional interest income over the life of the related loan. It is not expected that our Investment Adviser will generate revenue from our participation in such activities. However, our Investment Adviser may generate revenue in respect of arrangements with other clients, if any.

Expenses

We do not currently have any employees and do not expect to have any employees. Services necessary for our business will be provided through the Administration Agreement and the Investment Advisory Agreement.

All investment professionals of the Investment Adviser and their respective staffs, when and to the extent engaged in providing investment advisory and management services under the Investment Advisory Agreement (as opposed to the accounting, compliance and other administrative services set forth in clause (xxiii) below), and the compensation and routine overhead expenses of such personnel allocable to such services, will be provided and paid for by the Investment Adviser and not by us.

The Company will bear its own legal and other expenses incurred in connection with its formation and organization and the offering of its Shares, including external legal and accounting expenses, printing costs, travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to marketing efforts (other than any placement fees, which will be borne by the Investment Adviser directly or pursuant to waivers of the Management Fee).

In addition to Management Fees, except as noted above, the Company will bear all other costs and expenses that are directly and specifically related to its operations, including without limitation:

- all costs and expenses with respect to the actual or proposed acquisition, financing, holding, monitoring or disposition of our investments, whether such investments are ultimately consummated or not, including, origination fees, syndication fees, due diligence costs, broken deal expenses, bank service fees, fees and expenses of custodians, transfer agents, consultants, experts, travel expenses incurred for investment-related purposes, outside legal counsel, consultants and accountants, administrator's fees of third party administrators (subject to clause (xxiii) below) and financing costs (including interest expenses);

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- (ii) expenses for liability insurance, including officers and independent directors liability insurance, cyber insurance and other insurance (but excluding the cost of liability insurance covering the Investment Adviser and its officers to the extent that bearing such expenses would be prohibited by ERISA);
- (iii) extraordinary expenses incurred by the Company (including litigation);
- (iv) indemnification and contribution expenses *provided*, that we will not bear such fees, costs or expenses to the extent that the relevant conduct is not indemnifiable under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable ;
- (v) taxes and other governmental fees and charges;
- (vi) administering and servicing and special servicing fees paid to third parties for our benefit;
- (vii) the cost of Company-related operational and accounting software and related expenses;
- (viii) cost of software (including the fees of third-party software developers) used by the Investment Adviser and its affiliates to track and monitor our investments (specifically, cost of software related to data warehousing, portfolio administration/reconciliation, loan pricing and trade settlement attributable to the Company);
- (ix) expenses related to the valuation or appraisal of our investments;
- (x) risk, research and market data-related expenses (including software) incurred for our investments;
- (xi) fees, costs and expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred to comply with any applicable law, rule or regulation (including regulatory filings such as financial statement filings, ownership filings (Section 16 or Section 13 filings), blue sky filings and registration statement filings, as applicable) to which we are subject or incurred in connection with any governmental inquiry, investigation or proceeding involving us; *provided* that we will not bear such fees, costs or expenses to the extent that the relevant conduct is not indemnifiable under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
- (xii) costs associated with the wind-up, liquidation, dissolution and termination of the Company;
- (xiii) other legal, operating, accounting, tax return preparation and consulting, auditing and administrative expenses in accordance with the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement and fees for outside services provided to us or on our behalf; *provided* that we will not bear such fees, costs or expenses to the extent that the relevant conduct is not indemnifiable under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
- (xiv) expenses of the Board (including the reasonable costs of legal counsel, accountants, financial advisors and/or such other advisors and consultants engaged by the Board, as well as travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to the attendance by directors at Board meetings), to the extent permitted under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
- (xv) annual or special meetings of the Stockholders;

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- (xvi) the costs and expenses associated with preparing, filing and delivering to Stockholders periodic and other reports and filings required under federal securities laws as a result of our status as a BDC;
- (xvii) ongoing Company offering expenses;

- (xviii) federal and state registration fees pertaining to the Company;
- (xix) costs of Company-related proxy statements, Stockholders' reports and notices;
- (xx) costs associated with obtaining fidelity bonds as required by the 1940 Act;
- (xxi) printing, mailing and all other similar direct expenses relating to the Company;
- (xxii) expenses incurred in preparation for or in connection with (or otherwise relating to) any initial public offering or other debt or equity offering conducted by the Company, including but not limited to external legal and accounting expenses, printing costs, travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to marketing efforts; and
- (xxiii) only to the extent (i) Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of our Shares, or (ii) we operate the Company as a "venture capital operating company", our allocable portion of overhead, including office equipment and supplies, rent and our allocable portion of the compensation paid to accounting, compliance and administrative staff employed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates who provide services to the Company necessary for its operation, including related taxes, health insurance and other benefits.

Investment-related expenses with respect to investments in which the Company invests together with one or more parallel funds (or co-investment vehicles) will generally be allocated among all such entities on the basis of capital invested by each such entity into the relevant investment; *provided* that if the Investment Adviser reasonably believes that such allocation method would produce an inequitable result to any such entity, the Investment Adviser may allocate such expenses among such entities in any other manner that the Investment Adviser believes in good faith to be fair and equitable.

If the assets of the Company are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA, the Investment Adviser will bear responsibility for the fidelity bond required under Section 412 of ERISA.

We are permitted to enter into credit facilities. In connection with borrowings, our lenders may require us to pledge assets, Capital Commitments and/or the right to draw down on Capital Commitments. In this regard, the Subscription Agreement contractually obligates each of our investors to fund their respective Capital Commitments in order to pay amounts that may become due under any borrowings or other financings or similar obligations.

Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

We are currently in the development stage and have not commenced investment operations. An affiliate of the Investment Adviser has contributed an initial \$10,000 capital contribution to us in exchange for 1,000 Shares.

We expect to generate cash from (1) drawing down capital in respect of Shares, (2) cash flows from investments and operations and (3) borrowings from banks or other lenders. We will seek to enter into any bank debt, credit facility or other financing arrangements on at least customary market terms; however, we cannot assure you we will be able to do so.

Our primary use of cash will be for (1) investments in portfolio companies and other investments to comply with certain portfolio diversification requirements, (2) the cost of operations (including expenses, the Management Fee and, to the extent permitted under ERISA, if applicable, and the 1940 Act, any indemnification obligations), (3) debt service of any borrowings and (4) cash distributions to the Stockholders.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are subject to financial market risks, including changes in interest rates. We plan to invest primarily in illiquid debt securities of private companies. Most of our investments will not have a readily available market price, and we (or through an unaffiliated third-party firm, to the extent that our assets are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA) will value these investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board in accordance with our valuation policy. There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment while employing a consistently applied valuation process for the types of investments we make. See "*Item 1. Business—Valuation of Portfolio Securities.*"

ITEM 3. PROPERTIES.

We maintain our principal executive office at 810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10019. We do not own any real estate. We believe that our present facilities are adequate to meet our current needs. If new or additional space is required, we believe that adequate facilities are available at competitive prices in the same area.

ITEM 4. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT.

We have not yet commenced commercial activities and will not do so until the Initial Closing Date. An affiliate of the Investment Adviser has contributed an initial \$10,000 capital contribution to us in exchange for 1,000 Shares. We will not raise additional capital prior to the Initial Closing Date, at which point we will raise capital from the issuance of privately offered Shares.

ITEM 5. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.

Board of Directors and Executive Officers

The business and affairs of the Company are managed under the direction and oversight of the Board. The Board consists of four members, three of whom are Independent Directors. The Board appoints the officers, who serve at the discretion of the Board. The responsibilities of the Board include quarterly valuation of the Company's assets, corporate governance activities, oversight of the Company's financing arrangements and oversight of the Company's investment activities.

The Board is responsible for the oversight of the Company's investment, operational and risk management activities. The Board reviews risk management processes at both regular and special board meetings throughout the year, consulting with appropriate representatives of the Investment Adviser as necessary and periodically requesting the production of risk management reports or presentations. The goal of the Board's risk oversight function is to ensure that the risks associated with the Company's investment activities are accurately identified, thoroughly investigated and responsibly addressed. Stockholders should note, however, that the Board's oversight function cannot eliminate all risks or ensure that particular events do not adversely affect the value of the Company's investments.

Directors

Information regarding our Board is set forth below. The directors have been divided into two groups—Independent Directors and interested directors. Interested directors are "interested persons" of the Company as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act. The address for each director is c/o Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, 810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10019.

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Name	Age	Position
<i>Independent Directors</i>		
Peter J. Dancy	57	Director
Carol Moody	65	Director
Cynthia Fryer Steer	73	Director
<i>Interested Directors</i>		
Sengal Selassie	53	Director, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
Sachin Goel	41	Director

Executive Officers Who Are Not Directors

Information regarding each person who is an executive officer of the Company but who is not a director is as follows:

Russell Zomback	Chief Financial Officer
Darilyn T. Oridge	Chief Compliance Officer
Martina Brosnahan	Secretary

The address for each executive officer is 810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10019.

Biographical Information

Directors

Each of our directors has demonstrated high character and integrity, superior credentials and recognition in his respective field and the relevant expertise and experience upon which to be able to offer advice and guidance to our management. Each of our directors also has sufficient time available to devote to our affairs, is able to work with the other members of the Board and contribute to our success and can represent the long-term interests of our Stockholders as a whole. We have selected our current directors to provide a range of backgrounds and experience to our Board. Set forth below is biographical information for each director, including a discussion of the director's particular experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that led us to conclude, as of the date of this Registration Statement, that the individual should serve as a director, in light of our business and structure.

Independent Directors

Peter J. Dancy has 35 years of finance experience and has held various position in deal origination, execution, structuring and portfolio management during his career. In 2010, Mr. Dancy co-founded and served as Managing Director - Group Head of Annaly Middle Market Lending LLC ("AMML"), a \$2.5 billion direct lending leverage finance platform, within Annaly Capital Management ("NLY"), focused on providing first lien, second lien and uni-tranche financing for private equity backed middle market companies. Mr. Dancy served as Group Head and as a member of the NLY Investment Committee. Under his leadership, AMML funded roughly \$6.0 billion across 90+ transactions with a realized unlevered return of 10.1%. During his tenure, Mr. Dancy was responsible for creating the Group's credit policy, formation of the Group's loan operations, negotiations of the Group's third-party financing arrangements, and build out of the Group's 14 person investment team. In addition, Mr. Dancy was directly responsible for originating \$2.35 billion of first lien, second lien and uni-tranche facilities with an average unlevered return of over 8.5%. Prior to the formation of AMML, Mr. Dancy was a Managing Director and Head of U.S. Sponsor Coverage for the Bank of Ireland. Prior to the Bank of Ireland, Mr. Dancy held various middle market lending and leverage finance positions at Regions Financial, BMO Harris Bank and National Westminster Bank USA. Mr. Dancy holds a B.A. in Economics from The College of Wooster and an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago, Booth School of Business.

Carol Moody currently serves as President and CEO of Legal Momentum – The Women's Legal Defense and Education Fund. She is formerly the Founder and Principal of CAB Moody, LLC and a Senior Portfolio Manager and Acting Chief Investment Officer for CalPERS. Prior to joining CalPERS, Ms. Moody held a series of senior risk and compliance roles and Wilmington Trust Company, Nationwide Insurance, TIAA-CREF, TCW/Latin American Partners, LLC and Citibank. Ms. Moody received her bachelor's degree from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and her J.D. from Columbia University School of Law.

Cynthia Fryer Steer currently serves as a Director and Chair of the Investment Committee for MissionSquare, a \$75.0 billion not-for-profit organization dedicated to retirement security for essential workers as well as an Independent Director for Xponance, a firm devoted to emerging and diverse managers. She is also a former Independent Director of Hancock Natural Resources Group, a \$14.0 billion manager in forestry and agriculture. Currently, Ms. Steer also serves on the Investment Committees of the Hartford and New Haven Community Foundations as well as Hartford Healthcare. In 2014, she retired as Executive Vice President, Head of Manager Research, Performance Analytics, and Investment Solutions at BNY Mellon Investment Management. At BNY Mellon, she was responsible for performance oversight, due diligence, and analysis of investment performance across BNY Mellon Investment Management with US\$1.6 trillion in AUM. In addition, she served as senior investment advisor to the executive management of BNY Mellon Investment Management, was a member of the BNY Mellon Benefit Investment Committee and headed up the firm's outsourced CIO efforts. Additional investment experience includes senior roles at Russell Investments and Rogers Casey as well as having served as Chief Investment Officer for United Technologies, the City of Hartford and SBLI, a New York-based insurance company. She received her bachelor's degree from Smith College, an M.B.A. from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, a Corporate Director Certificate from Harvard Business School as well as an M.S. in Ed from the Bank Street School.

Interested Directors

Sengal Selassie is the chair of the Executive Committee and leads the investment committees of all Brightwood Managed Funds. Prior to forming Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, Mr. Selassie led a spinout from SG Capital Partners LLC ("SG Capital"), co-founding Cowen Capital Partners, LLC ("Cowen Capital"), where he served as Managing Partner from 2006 to 2009. Cowen Capital went on to form Trinity Investors. Mr. Selassie joined Cowen Capital from SG Capital, Cowen Capital's predecessor fund where he worked from 1998 through 2006. At SG Capital he was a Managing Director and served as group head starting in 2002. While at Cowen Capital and SG Capital, Mr. Selassie made more than 25 investments in 11 portfolio companies. Prior to SG Capital, Mr. Selassie worked in the Mergers & Acquisitions Group at Morgan Stanley where he helped media and telecommunications companies execute strategic transactions from 1996 to 1998. He began his career in the Corporate Finance Group of the Investment Banking Division of Goldman Sachs in 1990. He is a member of the New York and Connecticut Bar Associations. Mr. Selassie earned his M.B.A. with distinction and J.D. cum laude from Harvard University. He has an A.B. in Economics magna cum laude from Harvard College.

Sachin Goel

Sachin Goel is a Managing Director on the Investment Team of Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC and leads our capital markets activities. Prior to joining Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, Sachin was a Managing Director in Macquarie Capital USA's credit trading division, where he was responsible for a portfolio of distressed and high-yield corporate credits. His duties included risk management, trading and investing in bonds and bank debt in various sectors, with a focus on energy, power, infrastructure and transportation in the U.S. and Australia. Previously, Sachin was a Vice President at Credit Suisse in the fixed income division of the investment bank, first in the U.S. credit trading group, where he was responsible for

formulating and executing trades, and subsequently as a member of the special opportunities group, conducting principal investing in illiquid credit opportunities, primarily in middle market private lending. Mr. Goel received his B.A. from the University of Chicago.

Executive Officers Who Are Not Directors

Russell Zomback is Chief Financial Officer of Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC. Mr. Zomback was Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC's first outside hire in April 2011. During his time at the firm, he has played a key role in driving Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC's growth from its launch into a \$4 billion direct lending platform, and he has led and managed the finance function for all of Brightwood's funds. Prior to joining Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC in 2011, Mr. Zomback served as Executive Vice President of Finance at Golub Capital. Over twelve years at Golub, Mr. Zomback oversaw three SBIC partnerships, a number of other investment partnerships, and supported the firm's expansion from \$250 million to \$4 billion in assets under management. Prior to Golub, Mr. Zomback was with Goldstein Golub Kessler as an audit manager in the financial services group. Mr. Zomback holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from SUNY Binghamton.

Darilyn Olidge, Esq. is a Partner, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC. Ms. Olidge also serves on the Executive Committee. Ms. Olidge's responsibilities at Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC include providing strategic legal advice to the firm, setting and monitoring internal governance practices and policies, running the compliance program, managing Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC's administrative services including human resources and office management and managing external counsel relationships. Prior to joining Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, Ms. Olidge was a Managing Director in the General Counsel Division of Credit Suisse ("GCD"), serving as Lead Advisory Counsel to the Prime Services Group, Co-Manager of GCD's Center of Excellence Documentation Team and a Member of the GC Americas Management Operating Committee. Ms. Olidge joined Credit Suisse from Morgan Stanley where she last served as Executive Director, advising on various legal and regulatory matters in its fixed income and institutional equities businesses. Prior to joining Morgan Stanley, she was an Associate at Cravath, Swaine & Moore in New York and clerked for the late Hon. Constance Baker Motley, United States District Court, Southern District of New York. She began her career as a Certified Public Accountant in the Tax Division of Arthur Andersen. A native of New Orleans, LA., Ms. Olidge earned her B.B.A. degree in Accounting from Loyola University of New Orleans and her J.D. from New York University Law School, where she was a member of the Law Review. Ms. Olidge serves as a lifetime trustee to the New York University School of Law and is a member of the board of directors of Communities in Schools, a national organization working inside public and charter schools to empower at-risk students to stay in school and achieve in life.

Martina Brosnahan is a Managing Director in the legal department at Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC. Ms. Brosnahan is responsible for the structuring and legal documentation for Brightwood's funds and also provides strategic legal advice to the firm. Prior to joining Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, Ms. Brosnahan was a member of the legal advisory team for Credit Suisse's Prime Services Group. Before joining Credit Suisse, Ms. Brosnahan was the senior in house securities attorney at an alternative asset management firm. Prior to her career as an in house legal advisor, Ms. Brosnahan was an associate at Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP and Brown Raysman Millstein Felder & Steiner, LLP. Ms. Brosnahan earned her B.A. in Political Science from Barnard College, Columbia University and a J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University.

Our Board has adopted a code of ethics that applies to our executive officers, which forms part of our broader compliance policies and procedures. See "*Item 1. Business—Compliance Policies and Procedures.*"

Board Leadership Structure

Our Board monitors and performs an oversight role with respect to our business and affairs, compliance with regulatory requirements and the services, expenses and performance of our service providers. Among other things, our Board approves the appointment of the Administrator and officers, reviews and monitors the services and activities performed by the Administrator and officers and approves the engagement, and reviews the performance of, our independent public accounting firm.

Under our bylaws, our Board may designate a chairman to preside over the meetings of the Board and meetings of the Stockholders and to perform such other duties as may be assigned to the chairman by the Board. We do not have a fixed policy as to whether the chairman of the Board should be an Independent Director and believe that we should maintain the flexibility to select the chairman and reorganize the leadership structure, from time to time, based on the criteria that is in our best interests and our Stockholders at such times.

Sengal Selassie . currently serves as the chairman of our Board. Mr. Selassie is an "interested person" of the Company as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act because he is a CEO of, and serves on the investment committee of the Investment Adviser. We believe that Mr. Selassie's history with the Investment Adviser, familiarity with our investment objectives and investment strategy, and extensive knowledge of the financial services

industry and the investment valuation process in particular qualify him to serve as the chairman of our Board. We believe that, at present, we are best served through this leadership structure, as Mr. Selassie's relationship with the Investment Adviser, provides an effective bridge and encourages an open dialogue between our management and our Board, ensuring that all groups act with a common purpose.

Our Board does not currently have a designated lead Independent Director. We are aware of the potential conflicts that may arise when a non-Independent Director is chairman of the Board, but believe these potential conflicts are offset by our strong corporate governance policies. Our corporate governance policies include regular meetings of the Independent Directors in executive session without the presence of interested directors and management over which the chairman of the audit committee presides, the establishment of audit, valuation and nominating and corporate governance committees comprised solely of Independent Directors and the appointment of a chief compliance officer, with whom the Independent Directors meet regularly without the presence of interested directors and other members of management, for administering our compliance policies and procedures.

We recognize that different board leadership structures are appropriate for companies in different situations. We intend to continue to re-examine our corporate governance policies on an ongoing basis to ensure that they continue to meet our needs.

Board's Role in Risk Oversight

Our Board performs its risk oversight function primarily through (1) its four standing committees which report to the Board, each of which is comprised solely of Independent Directors and (2) active monitoring by our chief compliance officer and our compliance policies and procedures.

Our audit committee, valuation committee and nominating and corporate governance committee assist our Board in fulfilling its risk oversight responsibilities. The audit committee's risk oversight responsibilities include overseeing our accounting and financial reporting processes, our systems of internal controls regarding finance and accounting, and audits of our financial statements, including the independence of our independent auditors. The valuation committee is responsible for making recommendations in accordance with the valuation policies and procedures adopted by our Board, reviewing valuations and any reports of independent valuation firms, confirming that valuations are made in accordance with the valuation policies of our Board and reporting any deficiencies or violations of such valuation policies to our Board on at least a quarterly basis, and reviewing other matters that our Board or the valuation committee deems appropriate. The nominating and corporate governance committee's risk oversight responsibilities include selecting, researching and nominating directors for election by our Stockholders, developing and recommending to the Board a set of corporate governance principles and overseeing the evaluation of the Board and our management.

Our Board performs its risk oversight responsibilities with the assistance of our chief compliance officer. The Board quarterly reviews a written report from the chief compliance officer discussing the adequacy and effectiveness of our compliance policies and procedures and our service providers. The chief compliance officer's quarterly report addresses at a minimum:

- the operation of our compliance policies and procedures and our service providers since the last report;
- any material changes to these policies and procedures since the last report;

- any recommendations for material changes to these policies and procedures as a result of the chief compliance officer's review; and
- any compliance matter that has occurred since the date of the last report about which the Board would reasonably need to know to oversee our compliance activities and risks.

In addition, the chief compliance officer meets separately in executive session with the Independent Directors at least once each year.

We believe that our Board's role in risk oversight is effective, and appropriate given the extensive regulation to which we are subject as a BDC. We are required to comply with certain regulatory requirements that control the levels of risk in our business and operations. For example, our ability to incur indebtedness is limited because our asset coverage must equal at least 150% immediately after we incur indebtedness. We generally have to invest at least 70% of our total assets in "qualifying assets" and are not generally permitted to invest in any portfolio company in which one of our affiliates currently has an investment.

We recognize that different board of director roles in risk oversight are appropriate for companies in different situations. We intend to continue to re-examine the manner in which our Board administers its oversight function on an ongoing basis to ensure that it continues to meet our needs.

Committees of the Board

Our Board has established an audit committee, a nominating and corporate governance committee, and a valuation committee. The members of each committee have been appointed by our Board and serve until their respective successor is elected and qualifies, unless they are removed or resign. We require each director to make a diligent effort to attend all Board and committee meetings as well as each annual meeting of our Stockholders.

Audit Committee

The audit committee operates pursuant to a charter approved by our Board. The charter sets forth the responsibilities of the audit committee. The audit committee is responsible for recommending the selection of, engagement of and discharge of our independent auditors, reviewing the plans, scope and results of the audit engagement with the independent auditors, approving professional services provided by the independent auditors (including compensation therefore), reviewing the independence of the independent auditors and reviewing the adequacy of our internal controls over financial reporting. The members of the audit committee are Mr. Dancy, Ms. Moody and Ms. Steer, each of whom is not an interested person of the Company for purposes of the 1940 Act. Ms. Moody serves as the chairperson of the audit committee, and our Board has determined that Ms. Moody is an “audit committee financial expert” as that term is defined under Item 407 of Regulation S-K, as promulgated under the 1934 Act, and that each of them meets the current independence and experience requirements of Rule 10A-3 of the 1934 Act.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The nominating and corporate governance committee operates pursuant to a charter approved by our Board. The charter sets forth the responsibilities of the nominating and corporate governance committee. The nominating and corporate governance committee is responsible for determining criteria for service on the Board, identifying, researching and nominating directors for election by our Stockholders, selecting nominees to fill vacancies on our Board or committees of the Board, developing and recommending to the Board a set of corporate governance principles and overseeing the self-evaluation of the Board and its committees and evaluation of our management. The nominating and corporate governance committee considers nominees properly recommended by our Stockholders. The members of the nominating and corporate governance committee are Mr. Dancy, Ms. Moody and Ms. Steer, each of whom is not an interested person of the Company for purposes of the 1940 Act. Mr. Dancy serves as the chairperson of the nominating and corporate governance committee.

The nominating and corporate governance committee seeks candidates who possess the background, skills and expertise to make a significant contribution to the Board, us and our Stockholders. In considering possible candidates for election as a director, the nominating and corporate governance committee takes into account, in addition to such other factors as they deem relevant, the desirability of selecting directors who:

- are of high character and integrity;
- are accomplished in their respective fields, with superior credentials and recognition;
- have relevant expertise and experience upon which to be able to offer advice and guidance to management;
- have sufficient time available to devote to our affairs;
- are able to work with the other members of the Board and contribute to our success;
- can represent the long-term interests of our Stockholders as a whole; and
- are selected such that the Board represent a range of backgrounds and experience.

The nominating and corporate governance committee has not adopted formal policies with regard to the consideration of diversity in identifying director nominees. In determining whether to recommend a director nominee, the nominating and corporate governance committee considers and discusses diversity, among other factors, with a view toward the needs of the Board as a whole. The nominating and corporate governance committee generally conceptualizes diversity expansively to include, without limitation, concepts such as race, gender, national origin, differences of viewpoint, professional experience, education, skill and other qualities that contribute to the Board, when identifying and recommending director nominees. The nominating and corporate governance committee believes that the inclusion of diversity as one of many factors considered in selecting director nominees is consistent with the nominating and corporate governance committee’s goal of creating a Board that best serves our needs and the interest of our Stockholders.

Valuation Committee

The valuation committee operates pursuant to a charter approved by our Board. The charter set forth the responsibilities of the valuation committee. The valuation committee is responsible for making recommendations in accordance with the valuation policies and procedures adopted by our Board, reviewing valuations and any reports of independent valuation firms (which valuations firms, we will be required to retain to value our portfolio investments to the extent that our assets are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA), confirming that valuations are made in accordance with the valuation policies of our Board and reporting any deficiencies or violations of such valuation policies to our Board on at least a quarterly basis, and reviewing other matters that our Board or the valuation committee deems appropriate. The valuation committee is composed of Mr. Dancy, Ms. Moody

and Ms. Steer, each of whom is not an interested person of the Company for purposes of the 1940 Act. Ms. Steer serves as chairperson of the valuation committee.

ITEM 6. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.

(a) Compensation of Executive Officers

We do not currently have any employees and do not expect to have any employees. Services necessary for our business, including such services provided by our executive officers, will be provided by individuals who are employees of the Investment Adviser, pursuant to the terms of our Investment Advisory Agreement, or through the Administration Agreement.

None of our executive officers will receive direct compensation from us. To the extent (i) Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of our Shares or (ii) we operate the Company as a “venture capital operating company”, we will reimburse the Administrator for expenses incurred by it on our behalf in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement. Certain of our executive officers, through their ownership interest in or management positions with the Investment Adviser, may be entitled to a portion of any profits earned by the Investment Adviser, which includes any fees payable to the Investment Adviser under the terms of our Investment Advisory Agreement, less expenses incurred by the Investment Adviser in performing its services under our Investment Advisory Agreement.

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The Investment Adviser may pay additional salaries, bonuses, and individual performance awards and/or individual performance bonuses to our executive officers in addition to their ownership interest.

(b) Compensation of Independent Directors

Each of our Independent Directors will receive an annual retainer fee of \$50,000, payable once per year. In addition, each of our Independent Directors will receive a fee of \$10,000 for each regularly scheduled quarterly Board meeting that they participate in and \$10,000 for each special Board meeting that they participate in. Independent Directors will also be reimbursed for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with participating in each Board meeting.

With respect to each audit committee meeting not held concurrently with a Board meeting, Independent Directors will be reimbursed for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with participating in such audit committee meeting. In addition, the chairman of the audit committee will receive an annual retainer of \$10,000, while the chairman of the nominating and corporate governance committee and the chairman of the valuation committee will receive annual retainers of \$10,000 and \$10,000 respectively.

No compensation will be paid to directors who are “interested persons,” as that term is defined in the 1940 Act.

ITEM 7. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE.

(a) Transactions with Related Persons; Review, Approval or Ratification of Transaction with Related Persons

Investment Advisory Agreement; Administration Agreement

We will enter into the Investment Advisory Agreement with our Investment Adviser pursuant to which we will pay Management Fees to the Investment Adviser, and we will enter into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator, pursuant to which and to the extent (i) Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of our Shares or (ii) we operate the Company as a “venture capital operating company”, we will make payments equal to an amount that reimburses the Administrator for the costs and expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations and providing personnel and facilities under the Administration Agreement.

The Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement are expected to be approved by our Board at the organizational Board meeting. Unless earlier terminated as described below, each of the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement will remain in effect for a period from their effective date to the second anniversary of such effective date and will remain in effect from year to year thereafter if approved annually by (i) the vote of our Board, or by the vote of the holders of a majority of our outstanding Shares, and (ii) the vote of a majority of our Independent Directors. The Investment Advisory Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of an assignment by the Investment Adviser, see “Item 1A. Risk Factors—Our ability to achieve our investment objective depends on key investment personnel of the Investment Adviser” and the Administration Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of an assignment by the Administrator. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each of the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, upon 60 days’ written notice, provided, that, such termination will be directed or approved by the vote of the holders of a majority of our outstanding Shares, by the vote of our directors, or by the Investment Adviser or Administrator (as applicable). If the Investment Advisory Agreement is terminated according to this paragraph, we will pay the Investment Adviser a pro-rated portion of the Management Fee then due.

Potential Conflicts of Interest

The Company's executive officers and directors, as well as the current or future members of the Investment Adviser, serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or a related line of business as the Company or of investment funds managed by the Company's affiliates. Accordingly, they may have obligations to investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which might not be in the Company's and the Company's Stockholders' best interests.

We, the Investment Adviser and our respective direct or indirect members, partners, officers, directors, employees, agents and affiliates may be subject to certain potential conflicts of interest in connection with our activities and investments. For example, the terms of the Investment Adviser's management fees may create an incentive for the Investment Adviser to approve and cause us to make more speculative investments than we would otherwise make in the absence of such fee structure.

The Investment Adviser and its affiliates may also manage other funds in the future that may have investment mandates that are similar, in whole and in part, to our investment mandates. The Investment Adviser and its affiliates may determine that an investment is appropriate for us and for one or more of those other funds. In such event, depending on the availability of such investment and other appropriate factors, the Investment Adviser or its affiliates may determine that we should invest side-by-side with one or more other funds. Any such investments will be made only to the extent permitted by applicable law and interpretive positions of the SEC and its staff, and consistent with the Investment Adviser's allocation procedures. We have submitted an application for exemptive relief from the SEC which, if granted, will permit us to co-invest in portfolio companies with certain funds or entities managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates in certain negotiated transactions where co-investing would otherwise be prohibited under the 1940 Act, subject to the conditions of the exemptive order. Our application for exemptive relief will seek an exemptive order permitting us to co-invest with our affiliates if a "required majority" (as defined in Section 57(o) of the 1940 Act) of our Independent Directors make certain conclusions in connection with a co-investment transaction, including, but not limited to, that (1) the terms of the potential co-investment transaction, including the consideration to be paid, are reasonable and fair to us and our Stockholders and does not involve us or our Stockholders overreaching on the part of any person concerned, and (2) the potential co-investment transaction is consistent with the interests of our Stockholders and is consistent with our then-current investment objectives and strategies. Such relief has not yet been granted and may not be granted. In addition, to the extent that our assets are treated as "plan assets" under ERISA, we will only co-invest in the same issuer with certain funds or entities managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates, so long as they and our respective investments are at the same level of such issuer's capital structure; *provided*, that in no event will we co-invest with any other fund or entity in contravention of the 1940 Act or ERISA.

The Company has entered into a royalty-free Trademark License Agreement with the Adviser, pursuant to which the Adviser has agreed to grant the Company a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the name "Brightwood." Under this Trademark License Agreement, subject to certain conditions, the Company has a right to use the Brightwood name for so long as the Investment Adviser or one of its affiliates remains the Company's investment adviser. Other than with respect to this limited license, the Company has no legal right to the Brightwood name.

The Company has adopted certain policies and procedures to manage conflicts of interest, including a code of ethics. See "*Certain Business Relationships*." Additionally, as described above under "*Item 1. Business—Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures*" we have delegated our proxy voting responsibility to our Investment Adviser, which has adopted certain proxy voting policies and procedures. Furthermore, to the extent that our assets are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA, we have policies and procedures in place to comply with any requirements under ERISA in respect of conflicts of interest.

Certain Business Relationships

Certain of our current directors and officers are directors or officers of the Investment Adviser.

To the extent that the assets of the Company are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA, the Company will not enter into any agency, agency cross and principal transaction with any of its affiliates, or in any other transaction that could give rise to a prohibited transaction under ERISA.

To the extent that the assets of the Company are not treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA, the Company may enter into transactions with portfolio companies, in the Company's ordinary course of business, that may be considered related party transactions. Under such circumstances, in order to ensure that the Company does not engage in any prohibited transactions with any persons affiliated with the Company, the Company has implemented certain policies and procedures whereby the Company's executive officers screen each of the Company's transactions for any possible affiliations between the proposed portfolio investment, the Company, companies controlled by us and our employees and directors. Furthermore, under such circumstances, the Company will not enter into any agreements unless and until the Company is satisfied that doing so will not raise concerns

under the 1940 Act or, if such concerns exist, the Company has taken appropriate actions to seek Board review and approval or exemptive relief, as applicable, for such transaction. Our Board reviews these procedures on a quarterly basis.

We have adopted a code of ethics which applies to, among others, our senior officers, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, as well as all of our officers, directors and employees. Our code of ethics requires that all employees and directors avoid any conflict, or the appearance of a conflict, between an individual's personal interests and our interests. Pursuant to such code of ethics, each employee and director must disclose any conflicts of interest, or actions or relationships that might give rise to a conflict, to our chief compliance officer.

Indebtedness of Management

None.

(b) Promoters and Certain Control Persons

The Investment Adviser may be deemed a promoter of the Company. We will enter into the Investment Advisory Agreement with the Investment Adviser. The Investment Adviser, for its services to us, will be entitled to receive Management Fees. In addition, under the Investment Advisory Agreement, we expect, to the extent permitted by applicable law (including ERISA, if applicable) and in the discretion of our Board, to indemnify the Investment Adviser and certain of its affiliates. See "*Item 1. Business—Investment Advisory Agreement.*"

ITEM 8. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

We are not currently subject to any material legal proceedings, nor, to our knowledge, is any material legal proceeding threatened against us. From time to time, we may be a party to certain legal proceedings in the ordinary course of business, including proceedings relating to the enforcement of our rights under loans to or other contracts with our portfolio companies. While the outcome of these legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty, we do not expect that these proceedings will have a material effect upon our financial statements.

ITEM 9. MARKET PRICE OF AND DIVIDENDS ON THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS.

Market Information

Our outstanding Shares will be offered and sold in transactions exempt from registration under the Securities Act under section 4(a)(2) and Regulation D. See "*Item 10. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities*" for more information. There is currently no public market for the Shares, and we do not expect one to develop.

Because the Shares are being acquired by investors in one or more transactions "not involving a public offering," they are "restricted securities" and may be required to be held indefinitely. Our Shares may not be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged or otherwise disposed of unless (i) our consent is granted, which consent, with respect to an ERISA Plan, will not be withheld unreasonably in the case of a change of such ERISA Plan's fiduciaries or trustees, and (ii) the Shares are registered under applicable securities laws or specifically exempted from registration (in which case the Stockholder may, at our option, be required to provide us with a legal opinion, in form and substance satisfactory to us, that registration is not required). Accordingly, an investor must be willing to bear the economic risk of investment in the Shares until we are liquidated. No sale, transfer, assignment, pledge or other disposition, whether voluntary or involuntary, of Shares may be made except by registration of the transfer on our books. Each transferee will be required to execute an instrument agreeing to be bound by these restrictions and the other restrictions imposed on the Shares and to execute such other instruments or certifications as are reasonably required by us.

Stockholders

Please see "*Item 4. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management*" for disclosure regarding our Stockholders.

Distributions

Subject to the requirements of Section 852(a) of the Code and the terms of any indebtedness or Preferred Shares, distributions of proceeds will be made to the Stockholders pro rata based on the number of Shares held by each Stockholder.

Retention of Proceeds

Subject to the requirements of Section 852(a) of Subchapter M of the Code and the terms of any indebtedness or Preferred Shares, during the Investment Period, we may retain, in whole or in part, any proceeds attributable to portfolio investments. Any retained proceeds that represent net investment income will be treated as a deemed distribution by us to the Stockholders and a deemed re-contribution by the Stockholders to us, and

the aggregate Undrawn Commitments of all Stockholders will be reduced accordingly. We may use the amounts so retained to make investments, pay our fees and expenses, repay our borrowings, or fund reasonable reserves for our future expenses or other obligations (including obligations to make indemnification advances and payments to the extent such advances and payments would be permitted under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable); provided, however, that, after the expiration of the Investment Period, no part of such retained amounts will be used to make any investment for which we would not be permitted to draw down Capital Commitments. We will treat any retained proceeds that represent net investment income as a deemed distribution to Stockholders and a deemed re-contribution by the Stockholders, and the aggregate Undrawn Commitments of all Stockholders will be reduced accordingly. For the avoidance of doubt, even if the Undrawn Commitment of the Shares becomes zero, we may continue to retain proceeds that represent net investment income as described above for the purpose of paying our operating costs (including expenses, the Management Fee, payments to the Administrator (to the extent the assets of the Company are not treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA See “Item 1. Business—The Administrator”) and any indemnification obligations to the extent permitted under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable) and debt service of any borrowings we have made.

Reports to Stockholders

We plan to furnish or make available to our Stockholders an annual report for each fiscal year ending December 31 containing financial statements audited by our independent registered public accounting firm. Additionally, we intend to comply with the periodic reporting requirements of the 1934 Act.

ITEM 10. RECENT SALES OF UNREGISTERED SECURITIES.

We have not yet issued any unregistered securities. We have issued and sold 1,000 Shares at an aggregate purchase price of \$10,000 to an affiliate of the Investment Adviser. It is expected that all Shares will be issued and sold in reliance upon the available exemptions from registration requirements of Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

ITEM 11. DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT’S SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED.

The following description is based on relevant portions of the MGCL and on our charter and bylaws. This summary is not necessarily complete, and we refer you to the MGCL and our charter and bylaws for a more detailed description of the provisions summarized below.

Description of Shares

General

The Company’s authorized stock consists of 100,000,000 Shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share. There is currently no market for the Company’s common stock, and the Company can offer no assurances that a market for its shares of common stock will develop in the future. There are no outstanding options or warrants to purchase our stock. No stock has been authorized for issuance under any equity compensation plans. Under Maryland law, our stockholders generally are not personally liable for our debts or obligations.

Common Stock

All shares of the Company’s common stock have equal rights as to earnings, assets, dividends and voting and, when they are issued, will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable. Distributions may be paid to the holders of the Company’s common stock if, as and when authorized by the Board and declared by the Company out of funds legally available therefor. Shares of the Company’s common stock have no preemptive, exchange, conversion or redemption rights and are freely transferable, except when their transfer is restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation, federal and state securities laws or by contract. In the event of the Company’s liquidation, dissolution or winding up, each share of the Company’s common stock would be entitled to share ratably in all of the Company’s assets that are legally available for distribution after the Company pays all debts and other liabilities and subject to any preferential rights of holders of the Company’s preferred stock, if any preferred stock is outstanding at such time. Each share of the Company’s common stock is entitled to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of Stockholders, including the election of directors. Except as provided with respect to any other class or series of stock, the holders of the Company’s common stock will possess exclusive voting power. A nominee for director shall be elected as a director only if such nominee receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast for and against such nominee at a meeting of Stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present. Each share entitles the holder thereof to vote for as many individuals as there are directors to be elected and for whose election the holder is entitled to vote. There is no cumulative voting in the election of directors, which means that holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock can elect all of the Company’s directors, and holders of less than a majority of such shares will not be able to elect any directors.

Preferred Stock

The Company does not intend to issue preferred stock.

Transferability of Shares

Prior to an IPO, Shares of the Company's common stock have no preemptive, exchange, conversion or redemption rights. Shares are freely transferable except when their transfer is restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation, federal and state securities laws or by contract. No transfer will be effectuated except by registration of the transfer on the Company's books. Each transferee must agree to be bound by these restrictions and all other obligations as a Stockholder in the Company.

Following an IPO, Stockholders may be restricted from selling or transferring their shares of the Company's common stock for a certain period of time by applicable securities laws or contractually by a lock-up agreement with the underwriters of the IPO.

Dissolution of the Company

The Company shall be dissolved upon the first to occur of the following:

(a) the mutual agreement of the Board and majority in interest of common Stockholders;

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(b) the vote of a majority of common Stockholders in the event that the Investment Adviser or any of the members of the Investment Committee or any affiliate thereof (the "Brightwood Executives") has engaged in Disabling Conduct (as defined below);

(c) the vote of both majority in common shares and majority in number of common Stockholders in the event that the Investment Adviser or any of the Brightwood Executives has breached the standard of care set forth in "Item 1(c). Description of Business—Regulation as a Business Development Company—Indemnification";

(d) the sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company's assets; or

(e) the entry of any order of judicial dissolution, if permitted under the 1940 Act.

As used herein, "Disabling Conduct" means that the applicable individual or entity (i) engaged in gross negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company, and such act or omission has or is reasonably likely to have a material adverse financial effect on the Company; (ii) committed a knowing and material violation of the Investment Advisory Agreement (including breach of fiduciary duties to the Company or its Stockholders) and such violation has or is reasonably likely to have a material adverse financial effect on the Company; (iii) committed fraud in the management of the affairs of the Company; (iv) committed a willful violation of law in the management of the affairs of the Company and such violation has or is reasonably likely to have a material adverse financial effect on the Company; (v) has been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of a felony violation of the Federal securities laws or of a felony violation (other than a motor vehicle felony) involving moral turpitude; (vi) has been permanently enjoined by an order, judgment or decree of any governmental authority with respect to a violation of the Federal securities laws; or (vii) breach of fiduciary duty under ERISA; provided, however, that any such act, omission or event shall not be deemed to constitute Disabling Conduct by a Brightwood Executive if within twenty (20) days of, with respect to clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv), the date on which the Board or Advisor becomes aware of such conduct, and with respect to clauses (v) and (vi), the occurrence of such event, or such longer time period as may be approved by the Board, (A) such Brightwood Executive's employment with the Investment Adviser is terminated and (B) the Company is made whole for any actual financial loss of the Company (reduced by any amounts received by the Company as insurance proceeds), if any, directly caused by such act, omission or event (which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall not include indirect damages, consequential damages, lost profits or similar damages).

Limitation on Liability of Directors and Officers; Indemnification and Advance of Expenses

The MGCL permits a Maryland corporation to include in its charter a provision limiting the liability of its directors and officers to the corporation and its stockholders for money damages except for liability resulting from (a) actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services or (b) active and deliberate dishonesty established by a final judgment as being material to the cause of action. Our charter contains such a provision which eliminates directors' and officers' liability to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law, subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act.

Our charter authorizes us, to the maximum extent permitted by the MGCL and subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, to obligate us to indemnify, and to pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to, any present or former director or officer or any individual who, while a director or officer and at our request, serves or has served another corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, trust, employee benefit plan, or other enterprise as a director, officer, partner, member, manager or trustee, from and against any claim or liability to which that person may become subject or which that person may incur by reason of his or her service in any such capacity and to pay or reimburse their reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding.

Our bylaws obligate us, to the maximum extent permitted by the MGCL and subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, to indemnify any present or former director or officer or any individual who, while a director or officer and at our request, serves or has served another corporation, partnership,

joint venture, limited liability company, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise as a director, officer, partner, member, manager or trustee and who is made, or threatened to be made, a party to a proceeding by reason of his or her service in any such capacity from and against any claim or liability to which that person may become subject or which that person may incur by reason of his or her service in any such capacity and, without requiring a preliminary determination of the ultimate entitlement to indemnification to pay or reimburse their reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding. Our charter and bylaws also permit us to indemnify and advance expenses to any person who served a predecessor of us in any of the capacities described above and any of our employees or agents or any employees or agents of our predecessor. In accordance with the 1940 Act, we will not indemnify any person for any liability to which such person would be subject by reason of such person's willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his or her office.

The MGCL requires a corporation (unless its charter provides otherwise, which our charter does not) to indemnify a director or officer who has been successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which he or she is made, or threatened to be made, a party by reason of his or her service in that capacity. The MGCL permits a corporation to indemnify its present and former directors and officers, among others, against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses actually incurred by them in connection with any proceeding to which they may be made, or threatened to be made, a party by reason of their service in those or other capacities unless it is established that (a) the act or omission of the director or officer was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and (1) was committed in bad faith or (2) was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty, (b) the director or officer actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (c) in the case of any criminal proceeding, the director or officer had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful. However, under the MGCL, a Maryland corporation may not indemnify for an adverse judgment in a suit by or in the right of the corporation or for a judgment of liability on the basis that a personal benefit was improperly received unless, in either case, a court orders indemnification, and then only for expenses. In addition, the MGCL permits a corporation to advance reasonable expenses to a director or officer upon the corporation's receipt of (a) a written affirmation by the director or officer of his or her good faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the corporation and (b) a written undertaking by him or her or on his or her behalf to repay the amount paid or reimbursed by the corporation if it is ultimately determined that the standard of conduct was not met.

Election of Directors

The Company's Certificate of Incorporation and bylaws provide that the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the votes cast by Stockholders present in person or by proxy at an annual or special meeting of Stockholders and entitled to vote at such meeting is required to elect a director. Under the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, the Board may amend the bylaws to alter the vote required to elect directors.

Number of Directors; Vacancies; Removal

Our charter and bylaws provide that the number of directors will be set only by the board of directors. Our bylaws provide that a majority of our entire board of directors may at any time increase or decrease the number of directors. However, unless our bylaws are amended, the number of directors may never be less than the minimum number required by the MGCL nor more than 12. We have elected to be subject to the provision of Subtitle 8 of Title 3 of the MGCL regarding the filling of vacancies on the board of directors. Accordingly, except as may be provided by the board of directors in setting the terms of any class or series of preferred stock, any and all vacancies on the board of directors, including a vacancy resulting from an enlargement of the board of directors, may be filled only by vote of a majority of the directors then in office, even if the remaining directors do not constitute a quorum, and any director elected to fill a vacancy will serve for the remainder of the full term of the directorship in which the vacancy occurred and until a successor is elected and qualifies, subject to any applicable requirements of the 1940 Act.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the entire board of directors or any individual director may be removed from office with or without cause by a vote of the majority of Stockholders of the outstanding shares then entitled to vote at an election of directors. In case the board of directors or any one or more directors be so removed, new directors may be elected at the same time for the unexpired portion of the full term of the director or directors so removed.

Action by Stockholders

Under the MGCL, stockholder action can be taken only at an annual or special meeting of stockholders or by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting (unless the charter provides for stockholder action by less than unanimous consent, which our charter does not). These provisions, combined with the requirements of our bylaws regarding the calling of a stockholder-requested meeting of stockholders discussed below, may have the effect of delaying consideration of a stockholder proposal indefinitely.

Advance Notice Provisions for Stockholder Nominations and Stockholder Proposals

Our bylaws provide that with respect to an annual meeting of stockholders, nominations of persons for election to the board of directors and the proposal of business to be considered by stockholders may be made only (1) by or at the direction of the board of directors, (2) pursuant to our notice of meeting or (3) by a stockholder who was a stockholder of record at the time of provision of notice, at the record date and at the time of the meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has complied with the advance notice procedures of the bylaws. With respect to special meetings of stockholders, only the business specified in our notice of the meeting may be brought before the meeting. Nominations of persons for election to the board of directors at a special meeting may be made only (1) by or at the direction of the board of directors or (2) provided that the special meeting has been called in accordance with our bylaws for the purposes of electing directors, by a stockholder who was a stockholder of record at the time of provision of notice, at the record date and at the time of the meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has complied with the advance notice provisions of the bylaws.

The purpose of requiring stockholders to give us advance notice of nominations and other business is to afford our board of directors a meaningful opportunity to consider the qualifications of the proposed nominees and the advisability of any other proposed business and, to the extent deemed necessary or desirable by our board of directors, to inform stockholders and make recommendations about such qualifications or business, as well as to provide a more orderly procedure for conducting meetings of stockholders. Although our bylaws do not give our board of directors any power to disapprove stockholder nominations for the election of directors or proposals recommending certain action, they may have the effect of precluding a contest for the election of directors or the consideration of stockholder proposals if proper procedures are not followed and of discouraging or deterring a third party from conducting a solicitation of proxies to elect its own slate of directors or to approve its own proposal without regard to whether consideration of such nominees or proposals might be harmful or beneficial to us and our stockholders.

Calling of Special Meetings of Stockholders

Our bylaws provide that special meetings of stockholders may be called by our board of directors and certain of our officers. Additionally, our bylaws provide that, subject to the satisfaction of certain procedural and informational requirements by the stockholders requesting the meeting, a special meeting of stockholders will be called by the secretary of the corporation upon the written request of stockholders entitled to cast not less than a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting.

Approval of Extraordinary Corporate Action; Amendment of Charter and Bylaws

Under the MGCL, a Maryland corporation generally cannot dissolve, amend its charter, merge, convert, transfer all or substantially all of its assets, engage in a share exchange, consolidate or engage in similar transactions outside the ordinary course of business, unless the action is declared advisable by the board of directors and approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders entitled to cast at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. However, a Maryland corporation may provide in its charter for approval of these matters by a lesser percentage, but not less than a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. Our charter provides for approval of these matters, by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the total number of shares entitled to vote on the matter.

Our bylaws provide that the board of directors will have the exclusive power to adopt, alter or repeal any provision of our bylaws and to make new bylaws. Notwithstanding the foregoing, our bylaws generally may be amended, altered, repealed or replaced and new bylaws may be adopted, either (a) by the affirmative vote of stockholders entitled to cast at least a majority of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter or (b) by vote of a majority of the Board.

No Appraisal Rights

Except with respect to appraisal rights arising in connection with the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act discussed below, as permitted by the MGCL, our charter provides that stockholders will not be entitled to exercise appraisal rights.

Control Share Acquisitions

The Control Share Acquisition Act provides that control shares of a Maryland corporation acquired in a control share acquisition have no voting rights except to the extent approved by a vote of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. Shares owned by the acquirer, by officers or by directors who are employees of the corporation are excluded from shares entitled to vote on the matter. Control shares are voting shares of stock which, if aggregated with all other shares of stock owned by the acquirer or in respect of which the acquirer is able to exercise or direct the exercise of voting power (except solely by virtue of a revocable proxy), would entitle the acquirer to exercise voting power in electing directors within one of the following ranges of voting power:

- one-tenth or more but less than one-third;
- one-third or more but less than a majority; or

- a majority or more of all voting power.

The requisite stockholder approval must be obtained each time an acquirer crosses one of the thresholds of voting power set forth above. Control shares do not include shares the acquiring person is then entitled to vote as a result of having previously obtained stockholder approval. A control share acquisition means the acquisition of control shares, subject to certain exceptions.

A person who has made or proposes to make a control share acquisition may compel the board of directors of the corporation to call a special meeting of stockholders to be held within 50 days of demand to consider the voting rights of the shares. The right to compel the calling of a special meeting is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including an undertaking to pay the expenses of the meeting. If no request for a meeting is made, the corporation may itself present the question at any stockholders meeting.

If voting rights are not approved at the meeting or if the acquiring person does not deliver an acquiring person statement as required by the statute, then the corporation may repurchase for fair value any or all of the control shares, except those for which voting rights have previously been approved. The right of the corporation to repurchase control shares is subject to certain conditions and limitations, including, as provided in our bylaws, compliance with the 1940 Act. Fair value is determined, without regard to the absence of voting rights for the control shares, as of the date of the last control share acquisition by the acquirer or of any meeting of stockholders at which the voting rights of the shares are considered and not approved. If voting rights for control shares are approved at a stockholders meeting and the acquirer becomes entitled to vote a majority of the shares entitled to vote, all other stockholders may exercise appraisal rights. The fair value of the shares as determined for purposes of appraisal rights may not be less than the highest price per share paid by the acquirer in the control share acquisition.

The Control Share Acquisition Act does not apply (a) to shares acquired in a merger, consolidation or share exchange if the corporation is a party to the transaction or (b) to acquisitions approved or exempted by the charter or bylaws of the corporation.

Our bylaws contain a provision exempting from the Control Share Acquisition Act any and all acquisitions by any person of our shares of stock. There can be no assurance that such provision will not be amended or eliminated at any time in the future to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act.

Business Combinations

Under the MGCL, “business combinations” between a Maryland corporation and an interested stockholder or an affiliate of an interested stockholder are prohibited for five years after the most recent date on which the interested stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. These business combinations include a merger, consolidation, share exchange or, in circumstances specified in the statute, an asset transfer or issuance or reclassification of equity securities. An interested stockholder is defined as:

- any person who, directly or indirectly, beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting power of the corporation’s shares; or
- an affiliate or associate of the corporation who, at any time within the two-year period prior to the date in question, was, directly or indirectly, the beneficial owner of 10% or more of the voting power of the then outstanding voting stock of the corporation.

A person is not an interested stockholder under this statute if the board of directors approved in advance the transaction by which he otherwise would have become an interested stockholder. However, in approving a transaction, the board of directors may provide that its approval is subject to compliance, at or after the time of approval, with any terms and conditions determined by the board.

After the five-year prohibition, any business combination between the corporation and an interested stockholder generally must be recommended by the board of directors of the corporation and approved by the affirmative vote of at least:

- 80% of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of outstanding shares of voting stock of the corporation; and
- two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of voting stock of the corporation other than shares held by the interested stockholder with whom or with whose affiliate the business combination is to be effected or held by an affiliate or associate of the interested stockholder.

These super-majority vote requirements do not apply if the corporation’s common stockholders receive a minimum price, as defined under the MGCL, for their shares in the form of cash or other consideration in the same form as previously paid by the interested stockholder for its shares.

The statute permits various exemptions from its provisions, including business combinations that are exempted by the board of directors before the time that the interested stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. Our board of directors may adopt a resolution that any business combination between us and any other person is exempted from the provisions of the Business Combination Act, provided that the business combination is first approved by the board of directors, including a majority of the directors who are not interested persons as defined in the 1940 Act. This resolution,

however, may be altered or repealed in whole or in part at any time. The Maryland Business Combination Act may discourage third parties from trying to acquire control of us and increase the difficulty of consummating such an offer.

Conflict with 1940 Act

Our bylaws provide that, if and to the extent that any provision of the MGCL, including the Control Share Acquisition Act (if we amend our bylaws to be subject to such Act) and the Business Combination Act, or any provision of our charter or bylaws conflicts with any provision of the 1940 Act or other federal securities laws, the applicable provision of the 1940 Act or other federal securities law will control.

ITEM 12. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

See “Item 11. Description of Registrant’s Securities to be Registered—Limitation on Liability of Directors and Officers; Indemnification and Advance of Expenses.”

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We expect to enter into indemnification agreements with our independent directors. The Company’s certification of incorporation will limit the directors’ liability to the fullest extent permitted under state corporate law, the 1940 Act, and ERISA. Specifically, directors will not be personally liable to the Company or its Stockholders for any breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for any liability:

- for any breach of the director’s duty of loyalty to the Company or its Stockholders;
- for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve willful misconduct, gross negligence, bad faith, reckless disregard or a knowing violation of law;
- for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit; and for any other acts against which indemnification is prohibited by state corporate law.

If state corporate law is amended to permit further elimination or limitation of the personal liability of directors, then the liability of directors will be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by law. So long as the Company is registered or regulated under the 1940 Act, any limitation of liability of the Company’s directors and officers as described above is limited to the extent prohibited by the 1940 Act or by any valid rule, regulation or order of the SEC.

The Company’s Certificate of Incorporation and bylaws provide that the Company will indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent authorized or permitted by law and this right to indemnification will continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director or officer and will inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and personal and legal representatives; however, for proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Company will not be obligated to indemnify any director or officer (or his or her heirs, executors or personal or legal representatives) in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person unless that proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized or consented to by the Board, provided that the exculpation and indemnification provisions in the Company’s Certificate of Incorporation and bylaws will be no more favorable to the Company and its employees than the analogous provisions of the Subscription Agreement. The right to indemnification will include the right to be paid by the Company the expenses incurred in defending or otherwise participating in any proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

The Company’s obligation to provide indemnification and advancement of expenses is subject to the requirements of (i) ERISA and (ii) the 1940 Act and Investment Company Act Release No. 11330, which, among other things, preclude indemnification for any liability (whether or not there is an adjudication of liability or the matter has been settled) arising by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence, or reckless disregard of duties, and require reasonable and fair means for determining whether indemnification will be made.

In addition, the Company will enter into indemnification agreements with its directors and officers that provide for a contractual right to indemnification to the fullest extent permitted by state corporate law.

The Company may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board, provide rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to the Company’s employees and agents similar to those conferred to its directors and officers. The rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses are subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act and ERISA to the extent applicable. Any repeal or modification of the Certificate of Incorporation by Stockholders will not adversely affect any rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses of a director or officer existing at the time of the repeal or modification with respect to any acts or omissions occurring prior to the repeal or modification.

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ITEM 13. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA.

We set forth below a list of our audited financial statements included in this Registration Statement.

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ITEM 14. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE.

There are not and have not been any disagreements between us and our accountant on any matter of accounting principles, practices, or financial statement disclosure.

ITEM 15. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(a) List separately all financial statements filed

The financial statements included in this Registration Statement are listed in Item 13 and commence on page F-1.

(b) Exhibits

[3.1 Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation*](#)

[3.2 Bylaws*](#)

[4.1 Subscription Agreement*](#)

[10.1 Investment Advisory Agreement*](#)

[10.2 Administration Agreement*](#)

[10.3 Sub-Administration Agreement*](#)

[10.4 Indemnification Agreement*](#)

[10.5 Custody Agreement by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association*](#)

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[10.7 Trademark License Agreement*](#)

* Filed herewith.

Brightwood Capital Corporation I

Financial Statements

June 30, 2022

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholder and the Board of Directors of Brightwood Capital Corporation I

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Brightwood Capital Corporation I (the Company) as of June 30, 2022 and the statement of operations for the period from November 15, 2021 (date of inception) to June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements. In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of June 30, 2022 and the results of its operations for the period from November 15, 2021 (date of inception) to June 30, 2022, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ RSM US LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2022.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

	As of June 30, 2022
Assets:	
Cash	\$ 10,000
Deferred offering costs (See Note 3)	29,088
Total assets	39,088
Liabilities:	
Due to affiliate (See Note 3)	274,212
Total liabilities	\$ 274,212
Commitments and contingencies (Note 4)	
Net Assets:	
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized, 1,000 shares issued and outstanding	\$ 10
Additional paid in capital	9,990
Accumulated net loss	(245,124)
Total net assets	(235,124)
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 39,088
Net asset value per share	\$ (235.12)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Period from November 15, 2021 (inception) through June 30, 2022
Income:	
Total income	\$ -
Expenses:	
Organizational expenses (See Note 3)	245,124
Total expenses	245,124

Net investment loss	(245,124)
Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (245,124)
Per share data:	
Net investment loss per share	\$ (245.12)
Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations per share	\$ (245.12)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	NM*

*NM - not meaningful since the Company is in the development stage and has not commenced investment operations.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Organization

Brightwood Capital Corporation I (the “Company”) is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company that intends to focus on lending to middle market companies. The Company will be externally managed by Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC (“Brightwood” or “Investment Adviser”) and intends to elect to be regulated as a business development company (“BDC”) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 Act, as amended (the “1940 Act”). In addition, for US federal income tax purposes, the Company intends to elect to be treated, and to comply with the requirements to qualify annually, as a regulated investment company (“RIC”) under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The Company was formed as a Maryland corporation on November 15, 2021. The Company expects to commence operations as early as the third calendar quarter of 2022.

The Company’s investment objective is to achieve risk-adjusted returns via current income and, to a lesser extent, capital appreciation. The Company will primarily invest in portfolio companies in the form of first lien senior secured loans (including any related warrants or other equity securities of such portfolio companies.) These senior secured loans typically provide for cash interest and amortization payments throughout the life of the loan. Brightwood generally obtains security interest in the assets of its portfolio companies that serve as collateral in support of the repayment of these loans.

The Company expects to conduct a private offering of its common stock to investors in reliance on exemptions from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Company anticipates commencing its loan origination and investment activities on the date it issues shares to persons not affiliated with the Investment Adviser (“Initial Closing Date”). The Company expects the Initial Closing Date to occur in the third calendar quarter of 2022, and may conduct subsequent closings.

As of the date of these financial statements, the Company has not commenced investing activities. The Company has incurred certain costs related to organization and offering expenses.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Company is an investment company and follows the accounting and reporting guidance under Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 946, Financial Services--Investment Companies. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Company in the preparation of its financial statements.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This requires the Company’s management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ materially from estimates.

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Cash

Cash consists of demand deposits. The Company's cash is held with a financial institution.

Organization and Offering Costs

Organization costs include costs relating to the formation and organization of the Company. These costs are expensed as incurred.

Costs associated with the Company's intended offering of shares are capitalized and included as deferred offering costs on the Statement of Financial Condition until Company shares are offered to the public and will thereafter be charged to paid-in-capital upon the sale of such shares.

As of June 30, 2022, organization and offering costs are included in payable to affiliate on the Statement of Financial Condition.

Expenses

The Company is responsible for base management fees, investment expenses, legal expenses, auditing fees and other expenses related to the Company's operations. The Company will pay Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC (the "Administrator") the Company's allocable portion of certain expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations under the administration agreement between the Company and the Administrator (the "Administration Agreement"), including the Company's allocable portion of the cost of its Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer and their respective staffs. The Administrator will be reimbursed for certain expenses it incurs on the Company's behalf.

Income Taxes

Following its election to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act, the Company intends to elect to be treated as a RIC and will file its tax return for the year ending December 31, 2022 as a RIC. So long as the Company maintains its status as a RIC, it generally will not pay corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on any ordinary income or capital gains that it distributes at least annually to its shareholders as distributions. Rather, any tax liability related to income distributed by the Company represents obligations of the Company's shareholders and will not be reflected on the Statement of Financial Condition of the Company.

New Accounting Standards

Management does not believe any recently issued, but not yet effective, accounting standards, if currently adopted, would have a material effect on the accompanying financial statements.

3. Agreements and Related Party Transactions

The Company entered into an investment advisory agreement (the "Investment Advisory Agreement") with Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC (the "Adviser") on July 26, 2022. Pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Company agrees to pay as compensation for the investment advisory and management services provided by the Adviser a base management fee ("Base Management Fee"). The Base Management Fee shall be calculated as follows: (a) if the aggregate Capital Commitment of Investors is less than or equal to \$350,000,000, an annual rate equal to 0.80% of the fair value of the average gross assets of the Company associated with such Capital Commitment and (b) if the aggregate Investors' Capital Commitment is greater than \$350,000,000, an annual rate equal to 0.70% of the fair value of the average gross assets of the Company associated with such Capital Commitment in excess of \$350,000,000. The Base Management Fee shall be payable quarterly in arrears. The Base Management Fee shall be calculated based on the fair value of the average value of the gross assets of the Company at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters. Such amount shall be appropriately adjusted (based on the actual number of days elapsed relative to the total number of days in such calendar quarter) for any share issuances or repurchases during a calendar quarter. The Base Management Fee for any partial month or quarter shall be appropriately pro-rated (based on the number of days actually elapsed at the end of such partial month or quarter relative to the total number of days in such month or quarter). Further pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Company intends to reimburse the Adviser for the third party costs the Adviser incurs on the Company's behalf in connection with the formation and the initial closing of the private offering of common stock. Reflected in payable to affiliate on the Statement of Financial Condition is \$274,212 of organization and offering costs incurred by the Adviser on behalf of the Company through June 30, 2022. Of this amount, \$245,124 of organization costs was included on the Statement of Operations, and the remaining balance of offering costs was capitalized as deferred offering costs and reflected on the Statement of Financial Condition.

The Company entered into the administration agreement with Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC (the "Administrator") on July 26, 2022. Pursuant to the Administration Agreement, the Company intends to reimburse the Administrator for certain expenses and the Company's allocable portion of

certain expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement. Reimbursements under the Administration Agreement are expected to be made quarterly in arrears.

On June 30, 2022, Sengal Selassie, an affiliate of the Adviser, purchased 1,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company (the "Common Stock") which represented all of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock, for an aggregate purchase price of \$10,000.

4. Commitments and Contingencies

In the normal course of business, the Company may enter into contracts that provide a variety of general indemnifications. Any exposure to the Company under these arrangements could involve future claims that may be made against the Company. Currently, no such claims exist, and accordingly, the Company has not accrued any liability in connection with such indemnifications.

5. Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date of issuance of the financial statements.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: /s/ Sengal Selassie

Name: Sengal Selassie

Title: Chief Executive Officer

**BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I
AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

FIRST: Brightwood Capital Corporation I, a Maryland corporation, desires to amend and restate its charter as currently in effect and as hereinafter amended.

SECOND: The following provisions are all the provisions of the charter currently in effect and as hereinafter amended:

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the corporation (which is hereinafter called the “Corporation”) is:

Brightwood Capital Corporation I

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the general laws of the State of Maryland as now or hereafter in force, including, without limitation or obligation, engaging in business as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Investment Company Act”).

ARTICLE III

PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN STATE

The address of the principal office of the Corporation in the State of Maryland is c/o The Corporation Trust Incorporated, 2405 York Road, Suite 201, Lutherville Timonium, Maryland 21093-2264.

ARTICLE IV

RESIDENT AGENT

The name and address of the resident agent of the Corporation in the State of Maryland are The Corporation Trust Incorporated, 2405 York Road, Suite 201, Lutherville Timonium, Maryland 21093-2264. The resident agent is a Maryland corporation.

ARTICLE V

**PROVISIONS FOR DEFINING, LIMITING
AND REGULATING CERTAIN POWERS OF THE
CORPORATION AND OF THE STOCKHOLDERS AND DIRECTORS**

Section 5.1. Number, Vacancies, Classification and Election of Directors. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors. The number of directors of the Corporation is four, which number may be increased or decreased only by the Board of Directors pursuant to the Bylaws of the Corporation (the “Bylaws”), or the charter of the Corporation (the “Charter”), but shall never be less than the minimum number required by the Maryland General Corporation Law, or

any successor statute (the “MGCL”). A director shall have the qualifications, if any, specified in the Bylaws. The names of the directors who shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualify are:

Peter J. Dancy;

Carol Moody;

Cynthia Fryer Steer;

Sengal Selassie; and

Sachin Goel.

These directors may fill any vacancy, whether resulting from an increase in the number of directors or otherwise, on the Board of Directors in the manner provided in the Bylaws.

The Corporation elects, at such time as it becomes eligible pursuant to Section 3-802 of the MGCL to make the election provided for under Section 3-804(c) of the MGCL, that, except as may be required by the Investment Company Act, any and all vacancies on the Board of Directors may be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors in office, even if the remaining directors do not constitute a quorum, and any director elected to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the full term of the directorship in which such vacancy occurred and until a successor is duly elected and qualifies.

On the date (the “Classification Date”) on which the Corporation has more than one stockholder of record, the directors shall be classified, with respect to the terms for which they severally hold office, into three classes, designated as Class I, Class II and Class III, as nearly equal in size as is practicable. The term of office of Class I directors shall expire at the second annual meeting of stockholders following the Classification Date, the term of office of Class II directors shall expire at the third annual meeting of stockholders following the Classification Date and the term of office of the Class III directors shall expire at the first annual meeting of stockholders following the Classification Date. The initial directors of each class shall be determined by the Board of Directors before or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Classification Date. At each annual meeting of stockholders, commencing with the annual meeting next following the Classification Date, the successors to the class of directors whose term expires at such meeting shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting of stockholders following the meeting at which they were elected and until their successors are duly elected and qualify.

Section 5.2. Extraordinary Actions. Except as specifically provided in Section 5.7 (relating to removal of directors), notwithstanding any provision of law requiring any action to be taken or approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of shares entitled to cast a greater number of votes, any such action shall be effective and valid if declared advisable by the Board of Directors and taken or approved by the affirmative vote of holders of shares entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter.

Section 5.3. Quorum. The presence in person or by proxy of the holders of shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to cast a majority of the votes entitled to be cast (without regard to class) shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of stockholders, except with respect to any such matter that, under applicable statutes or regulatory requirements or the Charter, requires approval by a separate vote of one or more classes or series of stock, in which case the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of shares entitled to cast a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by such classes or series on such matter shall constitute a quorum. To the extent permitted by Maryland law as in effect from time to time, the foregoing quorum provision may be changed by the Bylaws.

Section 5.4. Authorization by Board of Stock Issuance. The Board of Directors may authorize the issuance from time to time of shares of stock of the Corporation of any class or series, whether now or hereafter authorized, or securities or rights convertible into shares of its stock of any class or series, whether now or hereafter authorized, for such consideration, if any, as the Board of Directors may deem advisable (or without consideration in the case of a stock split or stock dividend), subject to such restrictions or limitations, if any, as may be set forth in the Charter or Bylaws.

Section 5.5. Preemptive Rights and Appraisal Rights. Except as may be provided by the Board of Directors in setting the terms of classified or reclassified shares of stock pursuant to Section 6.4 or as may otherwise be provided by contract, no holder of shares of

stock of the Corporation shall, as such holder, have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any additional shares of stock of the Corporation or any other security of the Corporation which it may issue or sell. No holder of stock of the Corporation shall be entitled to exercise the rights of an objecting stockholder under Title 3, Subtitle 2 of the MGCL or any successor statute unless the Board of Directors, upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors, shall determine that such rights apply, with respect to all or any classes or series of stock, or any proportion of the shares thereof, to a particular transaction or all transactions occurring after the date of such determination in connection with which holders of such shares would otherwise be entitled to exercise such rights.

Section 5.6. Determinations by Board. The determination as to any of the following matters, made by or pursuant to the direction of the Board of Directors consistent with the Charter, shall be final and conclusive and shall be binding upon the Corporation and every holder of shares of its stock: the amount of the net income of the Corporation for any period and the amount of assets at any time legally available for the payment of dividends, redemption of its stock or the payment of other distributions on its stock; the amount of paid-in surplus, net assets, other surplus, annual or other cash flow, net profit, net assets in excess of capital, undivided profits or excess of profits over losses on sales of assets; the amount, purpose, time of creation, increase or decrease, alteration or cancellation of any reserves or charges and the propriety thereof (whether or not any obligation or liability for which such reserves or charges shall have been created shall have been paid or discharged); any interpretation or resolution of any ambiguity with respect to any provision of the Charter (including any of the terms, preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers or rights, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications or terms or conditions of redemption of any shares of any class or series of stock of the Corporation) or of the Bylaws; the fair value, or any sale, bid or asked price to be applied in determining the fair value, of any asset owned or held by the Corporation or of any shares of stock of the Corporation; the number of shares of stock of any class or series of the Corporation; any matter relating to the acquisition, holding and disposition of any assets by the Corporation; any interpretation of the terms and conditions of one or more agreements with any person, corporation, association, company, trust, partnership (limited or general) or other organization; the compensation of directors, officers, employees or agents of the Corporation; or any other matter relating to the business and affairs of the Corporation or required or permitted by applicable law, the Charter, Bylaws or otherwise to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 5.7. Removal of Directors. Any director, or the entire Board of Directors, may be removed from office at any time only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast generally in the election of directors. For the purpose of this paragraph, “cause” shall mean, with respect to any particular director, conviction of a felony or a final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction holding that such director caused demonstrable, material harm to the Corporation through bad faith or active and deliberate dishonesty.

ARTICLE VI

STOCK

Section 6.1. Authorized Shares. The Corporation has authority to issue 100,000,000 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (“Common Stock”). The aggregate par value of all authorized shares of stock having par value is \$1,000,000. If shares of one class or series of stock are classified or reclassified into shares of another class or series of stock pursuant to this Article VI, the number of authorized shares of the former class or series shall be automatically decreased and the number of shares of the latter class or series shall be automatically increased, in each case by the number of shares so classified or reclassified, so that the aggregate number of shares of stock of all classes and series that the Corporation has authority to issue shall not be more than the total number of shares of stock set forth in the first sentence of this paragraph. A majority of the entire Board of Directors, without any action by the stockholders of the Corporation, may amend the Charter from time to time to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares of stock or the number of shares of stock of any class or series that the Corporation has authority to issue.

Section 6.2. Common Stock. Each share of Common Stock shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote. The Board of Directors may reclassify any unissued shares of Common Stock from time to time in one or more classes or series of stock.

Section 6.3. Classified or Reclassified Shares. Prior to issuance of classified or reclassified shares of any class or series, the Board of Directors by resolution shall: (a) designate that class or series to distinguish it from all other classes and series of stock of the Corporation; (b) specify the number of shares to be included in the class or series; (c) set or change, subject to the express terms of any class or series of stock of the Corporation outstanding at the time, the preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers (including exclusive voting rights, if any), restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption for each class or series; and (d) cause the Corporation to file articles supplementary with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland (“SDAT”). Any of the terms of any class or series of stock set or changed pursuant to clause (c) of this Section 6.4 may be made dependent upon facts or events ascertainable outside the Charter (including determinations by the Board of Directors or other facts or events within the control of the Corporation) and may vary among holders thereof, provided that the manner in which such facts, events or variations shall operate upon the terms of such class or series of stock is clearly and expressly set forth in the articles supplementary or other charter document filed with the SDAT.

Section 6.4. Inspection of Books and Records. A stockholder that is otherwise eligible under applicable law to inspect the Corporation’s books of account, stock ledger, or other specified documents of the Corporation shall have no right to make such inspection if the Board of Directors determines that such stockholder has an improper purpose for requesting such inspection.

Section 6.5. Charter and Bylaws. All persons who acquire stock of the Corporation acquire the same, and the rights of all stockholders and the terms of all stock are, subject to the provisions of the Charter and the Bylaws. The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall have the exclusive power, at any time, to make, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII

ACCELERATED LIQUIDITY EVENT

Section 7.1. Option to Receive Cash Consideration. The Corporation shall not have the power to effect an Accelerated Liquidity Event (as defined below) unless (1) the Accelerated Liquidity Event is declared advisable by the Board of Directors and approved by the affirmative vote of holders of shares entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter and (2) in connection with such Accelerated Liquidity event, the stockholders of the Corporation may elect to receive consideration, in the form of cash, in an amount per share that is not less than the net asset value of such shares of Common Stock determined within 48 hours (excluding Sundays and holidays) of the closing of the Accelerated Liquidity Event.

Section 7.2. Accelerated Liquidity Event. Each of the following events shall be considered a “Accelerated Liquidity Event”: (1) the sale, transfer, or other disposition, in a single transaction or series of related transactions by the Corporation or any subsidiary of the Corporation of all or substantially all the assets of the Corporation and its subsidiaries taken as a whole or (2) a merger, consolidation or statutory share exchange of the Corporation with one or more entities in which all or substantially all of the shares of Common Stock then outstanding are converted into cash or securities of another entity.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right from time to time to make any amendment to its Charter, now or hereafter authorized by law, including any amendment altering the terms or contract rights, as expressly set forth in the Charter, of any shares of outstanding stock. All rights and powers conferred by the Charter on stockholders, directors and officers are granted subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE IX

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION AND ADVANCE OF EXPENSES

Section 9.1. Limitation of Liability. To the maximum extent that Maryland law in effect from time to time permits limitation of the liability of directors and officers of a corporation, no present or former director or officer of the Corporation shall be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for money damages.

Section 9.2. Indemnification and Advance of Expenses. The Corporation shall have the power, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law in effect from time to time, to obligate itself to indemnify, and to pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to (a) any individual who is a present or former director or officer of the Corporation or (b) any individual who, while a director or officer of the Corporation and at the request of the Corporation, serves or has served as a director, officer, partner, member, manager or trustee of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, trust, employee benefit plan or any other enterprise from and against any claim or liability to which such person may become subject or which such person may incur by reason of his or her service in any such capacity. The Corporation shall have the power, with the approval of the Board of Directors, to provide such indemnification and advancement of expenses to a person who served a predecessor of the Corporation in any of the capacities described in (a) or (b) above and to any employee or agent of the Corporation or a predecessor of the Corporation.

Section 9.3. Investment Company Act. At such time as the Corporation elects to be a business development company under the Investment Company Act, the provisions of this Article IX shall be subject to the requirements and limitations of the Investment Company Act.

Section 9.4. Amendment or Repeal. Neither the amendment nor repeal of this Article IX, nor the adoption or amendment of any other provision of the Charter or Bylaws inconsistent with this Article IX, shall apply to or affect in any respect the applicability of the preceding sections of this Article IX with respect to any act or failure to act which occurred prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption.

- Signature page follows -

The undersigned acknowledges that this is an act of the above-named corporation, and verifies, under the penalties for perjury, that the matters and facts stated herein, which require such verification, are true and accurate, to the best of their knowledge, information, and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed these Articles of Incorporation and acknowledge the same to be my act on this 27th day of July, 2022.

/s/ Martina Brosnahan

ATTESTED TO BY

Martina Brosnahan
Secretary

/s/ Darilyn T. Oridge

SIGNED BY

Darilyn T. Oridge
Chief Compliance Officer

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

OFFICES

Section 1. PRINCIPAL OFFICE. The principal office of Brightwood Capital Corporation I (the “Corporation”) in the State of Maryland shall be located at such place as the Board of Directors may designate.

Section 2. ADDITIONAL OFFICES. The Corporation may have additional offices, including a principal executive office, at such places as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

ARTICLE II

MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS

Section 1. PLACE. All meetings of stockholders shall be held at the principal executive office of the Corporation or at such other place as shall be set in accordance with these Bylaws and stated in the notice of the meeting.

Section 2. ANNUAL MEETING. An annual meeting of stockholders for the election of directors and the transaction of any business within the powers of the Corporation shall be held on the date and at the time and place set by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. SPECIAL MEETINGS.

(a) General. Any of the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president of the Corporation, or the Board of Directors may call a special meeting of stockholders. Subject to Section 3(b) of this Article II, a special meeting of stockholders shall also be called by the secretary of the Corporation to act on any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of stockholders upon the written request of stockholders entitled to cast not less than a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on such matter at such meeting. Subject to Section 3(b) of this Article II, any special meeting shall be held at such place, date and time as may be designated by the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president of the Corporation, or the Board of Directors, whoever has called the meeting. In fixing a date for any special meeting, the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer, the president or the Board of Directors may consider such factors as he or she deems relevant, including the nature of the matters to be considered, the facts and circumstances surrounding any request for the meeting and any plan of the Board of Directors to call an annual meeting or a special meeting.

(b) Stockholder Requested Special Meetings. (1) Any stockholder of record seeking to have stockholders request a special meeting shall, by sending written notice to the secretary of the Corporation (the “Record Date Request Notice”) by registered mail, return receipt requested, request the Board of Directors to fix a record date to determine the stockholders entitled to request a special meeting (the “Request Record Date”). The Record Date Request Notice shall set forth the purpose of the meeting and the matters proposed to be acted on at it, shall be signed by one or more stockholders of record as of the date of signature (or their agents duly authorized in a writing accompanying the Record Date Request Notice), shall bear the date of signature of each such stockholder (or such agent) and shall set forth all information relating to each such stockholder and each matter proposed to be acted on at the meeting that would be required to be disclosed in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the election of directors in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or would otherwise be required in connection with such a solicitation, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A (or any successor provision) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (the “Exchange Act”). Upon receiving the Record Date Request Notice, the Board of Directors may fix a Request Record Date. The Request Record Date shall not precede and shall not be more than ten days after the close of business on the date on which the resolution fixing the Request Record Date is adopted by the Board of Directors. If the Board of Directors, within ten days after the date on which a valid Record Date Request Notice is received, fails to adopt a resolution fixing the Request Record Date, the Request Record Date shall be the close of business on the tenth day after the first date on which a Record Date Request Notice is received by the secretary of the Corporation.

(2) In order for any stockholder to request a special meeting to act on any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of stockholders, one or more written requests for a special meeting (collectively, the “Special Meeting Request”) signed by stockholders of record (or their agents duly authorized in a writing accompanying the request) as of the Request Record Date entitled to cast not less than a majority of all of the votes entitled to be cast on such matter at such meeting (the “Special Meeting Percentage”) shall be delivered to the secretary of the Corporation. In addition, the Special Meeting Request shall (A) set forth the purpose of the meeting and the matters proposed to be acted on at it (which shall be limited to those lawful matters set forth in the Record Date Request Notice received by the secretary), (B) bear the date of signature of each such stockholder (or such agent) signing the Special Meeting Request, (C) set forth (i) the name and address, as they appear in the Corporation’s books, of each stockholder signing such request (or on whose behalf the Special Meeting Request is signed), (ii) the class, series and number of all shares of stock of the Corporation which are owned (beneficially or of record) by each such stockholder and (iii) the nominee holder for, and number of, shares of stock of the Corporation owned beneficially but not of record by such stockholder, (D) be sent to the secretary by registered mail, return receipt requested, and (E) be received by the secretary within 60 days after the Request Record Date. Any requesting stockholder (or agent duly authorized in a writing accompanying the revocation of the Special Meeting Request) may revoke his, her or its request for a special meeting at any time by written revocation delivered to the secretary.

(3) The secretary of the Corporation shall inform the requesting stockholders of the reasonably estimated cost of preparing and mailing or delivering the notice of the meeting (including the Corporation’s proxy materials). The secretary shall not be required to call a special meeting upon stockholder request, and such meeting shall not be held, unless, in addition to the documents required by paragraph (2) of this Section 3(b), the secretary receives payment of such reasonably estimated cost prior to the preparation and mailing or delivery of such notice of the meeting.

(4) In the case of any special meeting called by the secretary of the Corporation upon the request of stockholders (a “Stockholder-Requested Meeting”), such meeting shall be held at such place, date and time as may be designated by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that the date of any Stockholder-Requested Meeting shall be not more than 90 days after the record date for such meeting (the “Meeting Record Date”); and provided further that if the Board of Directors fails to designate, within ten days after the date that a valid Special Meeting Request is actually received by the secretary (the “Delivery Date”), a date and time for a Stockholder-Requested Meeting, then such meeting shall be held at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 90th day after the Meeting Record Date or, if such 90th day is not a Business Day (as defined below), on the first preceding Business Day; and provided further that, in the event that the Board of Directors fails to designate a place for a Stockholder-Requested Meeting within ten days after the Delivery Date, then such meeting shall be held at the principal executive office of the Corporation. In the case of any Stockholder-Requested Meeting, if the Board of Directors fails to fix a Meeting Record Date that is a date within 30 days after the Delivery Date, then the close of business on the 30th day after the Delivery Date shall be the Meeting Record Date. The Board of Directors may revoke the notice for any Stockholder-Requested Meeting in the event that the requesting stockholders fail to comply with the provisions of paragraph (3) of this Section 3(b).

(5) If written revocations of the Special Meeting Request have been delivered to the secretary of the Corporation and the result is that stockholders of record (or their agents duly authorized in writing), as of the Request Record Date, entitled to cast less than the Special Meeting Percentage have delivered, and not revoked, requests for a special meeting on the matter to the secretary: (i) if the notice of meeting has not already been delivered, the secretary shall refrain from delivering the notice of the meeting and send to all requesting stockholders who have not revoked such requests written notice of any revocation of a request for a special meeting on the matter, or (ii) if the notice of meeting has been delivered and if the secretary first sends to all requesting stockholders who have not revoked requests for a special meeting on the matter written notice of any revocation of a request for the special meeting and written notice of the Corporation’s intention to revoke the notice of the meeting or for the chairman of the meeting to adjourn the meeting without action on the matter, (A) the secretary may revoke the notice of the meeting at any time before ten days before the commencement of the meeting or (B) the chairman of the meeting may call the meeting to order and adjourn the meeting without acting on the matter. Any request for a special meeting received after a revocation by the secretary of a notice of a meeting shall be considered a request for a new special meeting.

(6) Any of the Board of Directors, the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president of the Corporation may appoint independent inspectors of elections to act as the agent of the Corporation for the purpose of promptly performing a ministerial review of the validity of any purported Special Meeting Request received by the secretary. For the purpose of permitting the inspectors to perform such review, no such purported Special Meeting Request shall be deemed to have been received by the secretary until the earlier of (i) five Business Days after actual receipt by the secretary of such purported request and (ii) such date as the independent inspectors certify to the Corporation that the valid requests received by the secretary represent, as of the Request Record Date, stockholders of record entitled to cast not less than the Special Meeting Percentage. Nothing contained in this paragraph (6) shall in any way be construed to suggest or imply that the Corporation or any stockholder shall not be entitled to contest the validity of any request, whether during or after such five Business Day period, or to take any other action (including, without limitation, the commencement, prosecution or defense of any litigation with respect thereto, and the seeking of injunctive relief in such litigation).

(7) For purposes of these Bylaws, “Business Day” shall mean any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

Section 4. NOTICE OF MEETINGS. Not less than ten nor more than 90 days before each meeting of stockholders, the secretary shall give to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting and to each stockholder not entitled to vote who is entitled to notice of the meeting notice in writing or by electronic transmission stating the time and place of the meeting and, in the case of a special meeting or as otherwise may be required by any statute, the purpose for which the meeting is called, either by mail, by presenting it to such stockholder personally, by leaving it at the stockholder’s residence or usual place of business, by electronic transmission or by any other means permitted by Maryland law. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the U.S. mail addressed to the stockholder at the stockholder’s address as it appears on the records of the Corporation, with postage thereon prepaid. If transmitted electronically, such notice shall be deemed to be given when transmitted to the stockholder by an electronic transmission to any address or number of the stockholder at which the stockholder receives electronic transmissions. The Corporation may give a single notice to all stockholders who share an address, which single notice shall be effective as to any stockholder at such address, unless such a stockholder objects to receiving such single notice or revokes a prior consent to receiving such single notice. Failure to give notice of any meeting to one or more stockholders, or any irregularity in such notice, shall not affect the validity of any meeting fixed in accordance with this Article II or the validity of any proceedings at any such meeting.

Subject to Section 11(a) of this Article II, any business of the Corporation may be transacted at an annual meeting of stockholders without being specifically designated in the notice, except such business as is required by any statute to be stated in such notice. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting of stockholders except as specifically designated in the notice. The Corporation may postpone or cancel a meeting of stockholders by making a public announcement (as defined in Section 11(c)(3) of this Article II) of such postponement or cancellation prior to the meeting. Notice of the date, time and place to which the meeting is postponed shall be given not less than ten days prior to such date and otherwise in the manner set forth in this section.

Section 5. ORGANIZATION AND CONDUCT. Every meeting of stockholders shall be conducted by an individual appointed by the Board of Directors to be chairman of the meeting or, in the absence of such appointment or appointed individual, by the chairman of the Board of Directors, if any, or, in the case of a vacancy in the office or absence of the chairman of the Board of Directors, by one of the following officers present at the meeting in the following order: the vice chairman of the Board of Directors, if any, the chief executive officer, the president, any vice presidents in order of their rank and, within each rank, their order of seniority, the secretary, the treasurer or, in the absence of such officers, a chairman chosen by the stockholders by the vote of a majority of the votes cast by stockholders present in person or by proxy. The secretary, or, in the case of a vacancy in the office or absence of the secretary, an assistant secretary or an individual appointed by the Board of Directors or the chairman of the meeting shall act as secretary. In the event that the secretary presides at a meeting of stockholders, an assistant secretary, or, in the absence of assistant secretaries, an individual appointed by the Board of Directors or the chairman of the meeting, shall record the minutes of the meeting. The order of business and all other matters of procedure at any meeting of stockholders shall be determined by the chairman of the meeting. The chairman of the meeting may prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and take such action as, in the discretion of such chairman and without any action by the stockholders, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting, including, without limitation, (a) restricting admission to the time set for the commencement of the meeting; (b) limiting attendance or participation at the meeting to stockholders of record of the Corporation, their duly authorized proxies and other such individuals as the chairman of the meeting may determine; (c) limiting the time allotted to questions or comments; (d) determining when and for how long the polls should be open and when the polls should be closed; (e) maintaining order and security at the meeting; (f) removing any stockholder or any other individual who refuses to comply with meeting procedures, rules or guidelines as set forth by the chairman of the meeting; (g) concluding a meeting or recessing or adjourning

the meeting to a later date and time and at a place announced at the meeting; and (h) complying with any state and local laws and regulations concerning safety and security. Unless otherwise determined by the chairman of the meeting, meetings of stockholders shall not be required to be held in accordance with the rules of parliamentary procedure.

Section 6. QUORUM. The presence in person or by proxy of stockholders (without regard to class) entitled to cast a majority of the votes entitled to be cast at the meeting shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of stockholders, except with respect to any such matter that, under applicable statutes or regulatory requirements or the charter of the Corporation (the "Charter"), requires approval by a separate vote of the holders of one or more classes of stock, in which case the presence in person or by proxy of stockholders entitled to cast a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of stock of each such class on such a matter shall constitute a quorum. This section shall not affect any requirement under any statute or the Charter for the vote necessary for the approval of any matter.

If such quorum is not established at any meeting of stockholders, the chairman of the meeting may conclude the meeting or adjourn the meeting from time to time to a date not more than 120 days after the original record date without notice other than announcement at the meeting. At such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

The stockholders present, either in person or by proxy, at a meeting which has been duly called and at which a quorum has been established, may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal from the meeting of enough stockholders to leave fewer than required to establish a quorum.

Section 7. VOTING. Except in a contested election, a nominee for director shall be elected as a director only if such nominee receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast "for" or "against" such nominee at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present. In a contested election, directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present. An election shall be considered contested if, as of the date of the proxy statement for the meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected, there are more nominees for election than the number of directors to be elected. Each share entitles the holder thereof to vote for as many individuals as there are directors to be elected and for whose election the holder is entitled to vote. A majority of the votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present shall be sufficient to approve any other matter which may properly come before the meeting, unless a different number or proportion is required by statute or by the Charter. Unless otherwise provided by statute or the Charter, each outstanding share, regardless of class, entitles the holder thereof to cast one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of stockholders.

Section 8. PROXIES. A stockholder of record may vote in person or by proxy executed by the stockholder or by the stockholder's duly authorized agent in any manner permitted by law. Such proxy or evidence of authorization of such proxy shall be filed with the secretary of the Corporation before or at the meeting. No proxy shall be valid more than eleven months after its date unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

Section 9. VOTING OF STOCK BY CERTAIN HOLDERS. Stock of the Corporation registered in the name of a corporation, partnership, trust, limited liability company or other entity, if entitled to be voted, may be voted by the president or a vice president, a general partner, trustee, manager or member thereof, as the case may be or by a proxy appointed by any of the foregoing individuals, unless some other person who has been appointed to vote such stock pursuant to a bylaw or a resolution of the governing body of such corporation or other entity, or an agreement of the partners of such partnership, presents a certified copy of such bylaw, resolution or agreement, in which case such person may vote such stock. Any trustee or other fiduciary may vote stock registered in the name of such person in such person's capacity as such trustee or other fiduciary, either in person or by proxy.

Shares of stock of the Corporation directly or indirectly owned by it shall not be voted at any meeting and shall not be counted in determining the total number of outstanding shares entitled to be voted at any given time, unless they are held by it in a fiduciary capacity, in which case they may be voted and shall be counted in determining the total number of outstanding shares at any given time.

The Board of Directors may adopt by resolution a procedure by which a stockholder may certify in writing to the Corporation that any shares of stock registered in the name of the stockholder are held for the account of a specified person other than the stockholder. The resolution shall set forth the class of stockholders who may make the certification, the purpose for which the certification may be made, the form of certification and the information to be contained in it; if the certification is with respect to a record date, the time after the record date within which the certification must be received by the Corporation; and any other provisions with respect to the procedure which the Board of Directors considers necessary or desirable. On receipt by the Corporation of such certification, the person specified in the certification shall be regarded as, for the purposes set forth in the certification, the holder of record of the specified stock in place of the stockholder who makes the certification.

Section 10. INSPECTORS. The Board of Directors, in advance of any meeting, may, but need not, appoint one or more individual inspectors or one or more entities that designate individuals as inspectors to act at the meeting or any adjournment thereof. If an inspector or inspectors are not appointed, the person presiding at the meeting may, but need not, appoint one or more inspectors. In case any person who may be appointed as an inspector fails to appear or act, the vacancy may be filled by appointment made by the Board of Directors in advance of the meeting or at the meeting by the chairman of the meeting. The inspectors, if any, shall (i) determine the number of shares of stock represented at the meeting, in person or by proxy, and the validity and effect of proxies, (ii) receive and tabulate all votes, ballots or consents, (iii) report such tabulation to the chairman of the meeting, (iv) hear and determine all challenges and questions arising in connection with the right to vote, and (v) do such acts as are proper to fairly conduct the election or vote. Each such report shall be in writing and signed by the inspector or by a majority of them if there is more than one inspector acting at such meeting. If there is more than one inspector, the report of a majority shall be the report of the inspectors. The report of the inspector or inspectors on the number of shares represented at the meeting and the results of the voting shall be *prima facie* evidence thereof.

Section 11. ADVANCE NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDER NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR AND OTHER STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS.

(a) Annual Meetings of Stockholders. (1) Nominations of individuals for election to the Board of Directors and the proposal of other business to be considered by the stockholders may be made at an annual meeting of stockholders (i) pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting, (ii) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors or (iii) by any stockholder of the Corporation who was a stockholder of record at the time of giving of notice by the stockholder as provided for in this Section 11(a), at the record date set by the Board of Directors for the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting and at the time of the annual meeting (and any postponement or adjournment thereof), who is entitled to vote at the meeting in the election of each individual so nominated or on any such other business and who has complied with this Section 11(a).

(2) For any nomination or other business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder pursuant to clause (iii) of paragraph (a)(1) of this Section 11, the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing to the secretary of the Corporation and, in the case of any such other business, such other business must otherwise be a proper matter for action by the stockholders. To be timely, a stockholder's notice shall set forth all information required under this Section 11 and shall be delivered to the secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not earlier than the 150th day nor later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 120th day prior to the first anniversary of the date of the proxy statement (as defined in Section 11(c)(3) of this Article II) for the preceding year's annual meeting; provided, however, that, in connection with the Corporation's first annual meeting or in the event that the date of the annual meeting is advanced or delayed by more than 30 days from the first anniversary of the date of the preceding year's annual meeting, in order for notice by the stockholder to be timely, such notice must be so delivered not earlier than the 150th day prior to the date of such annual meeting and not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the later of the 120th day prior to the date of such annual meeting, as originally convened, or the tenth day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. The public announcement of a postponement or adjournment of an annual meeting shall not commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

(3) Such stockholder's notice shall set forth:

(i) as to each individual whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection as a director (each, a “Proposed Nominee”),

(A) all information relating to the Proposed Nominee that would be required to be disclosed in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the election of the Proposed Nominee as a director in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or would otherwise be required in connection with such solicitation, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A (or any successor provision) under the Exchange Act; and

(B) whether such stockholder believes any such Proposed Nominee is, or is not, an “interested person” of the Corporation, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder (the “Investment Company Act”), and information regarding such individual that is sufficient, in the discretion of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof or any authorized officer of the Corporation, to make such determination;

(ii) as to any other business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, a description of such business, the stockholder’s reasons for proposing such business at the meeting and any material interest in such business of such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person (as defined below), individually or in the aggregate, including any anticipated benefit to the stockholder or the Stockholder Associated Person therefrom;

(iii) as to the stockholder giving the notice, any Proposed Nominee and any Stockholder Associated Person,

(A) the class, series and number of all shares of stock or other securities of the Corporation or any affiliate thereof (collectively, the “Company Securities”), if any, which are owned (beneficially or of record) by such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, the date on which each such Company Security was acquired and the investment intent of such acquisition, and any short interest (including any opportunity to profit or share in any benefit from any decrease in the price of such stock or other security) in any Company Securities of any such person;

(B) the nominee holder for, and number of, any Company Securities owned beneficially but not of record by such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person;

(C) whether and the extent to which such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, directly or indirectly (through brokers, nominees or otherwise), is subject to or during the last 12 months has engaged in any hedging, derivative or other transaction or series of transactions or entered into any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short interest, any borrowing or lending of securities or any proxy or voting agreement), the effect or intent of which is to (I) manage risk or benefit of changes in the price of (x) Company Securities or (y) any security of any other closed-end investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (a “Peer Group Company”), for such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person or (II) increase or decrease the voting power of such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person in the Corporation or any affiliate thereof (or, as applicable, in any Peer Group Company) disproportionately to such person’s economic interest in the Company Securities (or, as applicable, in any Peer Group Company); and

(D) any substantial interest, direct or indirect (including, without limitation, any existing or prospective commercial, business or contractual relationship with the Corporation), by security holdings or otherwise, of such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, in the Corporation or any affiliate thereof, other than an interest arising from the ownership of Company Securities where such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person receives no extra or special benefit not shared on a pro rata basis by all other holders of the same class or series;

(iv) as to the stockholder giving the notice, any Stockholder Associated Person with an interest or ownership referred to in clauses (ii) or (iii) of this paragraph (3) of this Section 11(a) and any Proposed Nominee,

(A) the name and address of such stockholder, as they appear on the Corporation's stock ledger, and the current name and business address, if different, of each such Stockholder Associated Person and any Proposed Nominee and

(B) the investment strategy or objective, if any, of such stockholder and each such Stockholder Associated Person who is not an individual and a copy of the prospectus, offering memorandum or similar document, if any, provided to investors or potential investors in such stockholder and each such Stockholder Associated Person;

(v) the name and address of any person who contacted or was contacted by the stockholder giving the notice or any Stockholder Associated Person about the Proposed Nominee or other business proposal; and

(vi) to the extent known by the stockholder giving the notice, the name and address of any other stockholder supporting the nominee for election or reelection as a director or the proposal of other business.

(4) Such stockholder's notice shall, with respect to any Proposed Nominee, be accompanied by a certificate executed by the Proposed Nominee (i) certifying that such Proposed Nominee (a) is not, and will not become a party to any voting agreement or any agreement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation or its affiliates with respect to any compensation or indemnification in connection with service on the Corporation's Board of Directors, (b) will serve as a director of the Corporation if elected and (c) that the Proposed Nominee's election would comply with all of the Corporation's publicly disclosed corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality and stock ownership and trading policies and guidelines; and (ii) attaching a completed Proposed Nominee questionnaire (which questionnaire shall be provided by the Corporation, upon request, to the stockholder providing the notice and shall include all information relating to the Proposed Nominee that would be required to be disclosed in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the election of the Proposed Nominee as a director in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or would otherwise be required in connection with such solicitation, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A (or any successor provision) under the Exchange Act).

(5) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 11(a) to the contrary, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the Board of Directors is increased, and there is no public announcement of such action at least 130 days prior to the first anniversary of the date of the proxy statement (as defined in Section 11(c)(3) of this Article II) for the preceding year's annual meeting, a stockholder's notice required by this Section 11(a) shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it shall be delivered to the secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the tenth day following the day on which such public announcement is first made by the Corporation.

(6) For purposes of this Section 11, "Stockholder Associated Person" of any stockholder means (i) any person acting in concert with such stockholder, (ii) any beneficial owner of shares of stock of the Corporation owned of record or beneficially by such stockholder (other than a stockholder that is a depository) and (iii) any person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such stockholder or such Stockholder Associated Person or is an officer, director, partner, member, employee or agent of such stockholder or such Stockholder Associated Person.

(b) Special Meetings of Stockholders. Only such business shall be conducted at a special meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting. Nominations of individuals for election to the Board of Directors may be made at a special meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected only (i) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors or (ii) provided that the special meeting has been called in accordance with Section 3 of this Article II for the purpose of electing directors, by any stockholder of the Corporation who is a stockholder of record at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 11, at the record date set by the Board of Directors for the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting and at the time of the special meeting (and any postponement or adjournment thereof), who is entitled to vote at the meeting in the election of each individual so nominated and who has complied with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 11. In the event the Corporation calls a special meeting of stockholders for the purpose of electing one or more individuals to the Board of Directors, any such stockholder may nominate an individual or individuals (as the case may be) for election as a director as specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting, if the stockholder's notice, containing the information required by paragraphs (a)(3) and (a)(4) of this Section 11 is delivered to the secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not earlier than the 120th day prior to such special meeting and not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the later of the 90th day prior to such special meeting or the tenth day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the special meeting and of the nominees proposed

by the Board of Directors to be elected at such meeting. The public announcement of a postponement or adjournment of a special meeting shall not commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

(c) General. (1) If information submitted pursuant to this Section 11 by any stockholder proposing a nominee for election as a director or any proposal for other business at a meeting of stockholders shall be inaccurate in any material respect, such information may be deemed not to have been provided in accordance with this Section 11. Any such stockholder shall notify the Corporation of any inaccuracy or change (within two Business Days of becoming aware of such inaccuracy or change) in any such information. Upon written request by the secretary of the Corporation or the Board of Directors, any such stockholder shall provide, within five Business Days of delivery of such request (or such other period as may be specified in such request), (A) written verification, satisfactory, in the discretion of the Board of Directors or any authorized officer of the Corporation, to demonstrate the accuracy of any information submitted by the stockholder pursuant to this Section 11 and (B) a written update of any information (including, if requested by the Corporation, written confirmation by such stockholder that it continues to intend to bring such nomination or other business proposal before the meeting) submitted by the stockholder pursuant to this Section 11 as of an earlier date. If a stockholder fails to provide such written verification or written update within such period, the information as to which written verification or a written update was requested may be deemed not to have been provided in accordance with this Section 11.

(2) Only such individuals who are nominated in accordance with this Section 11 shall be eligible for election by stockholders as directors, and only such business shall be conducted at a meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 11. The chairman of the meeting shall have the power to determine whether a nomination or any other business proposed to be brought before the meeting was made or proposed, as the case may be, in accordance with this Section 11.

(3) For purposes of this Section 11, "the date of the proxy statement" shall have the same meaning as "the date of the company's proxy statement released to shareholders" as used in Rule 14a-8(e) promulgated under the Exchange Act, as interpreted by the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time. "Public announcement" shall mean disclosure (i) in a press release reported by the Dow Jones News Service, Associated Press, Business Wire, PR Newswire or other widely circulated news or wire service or (ii) in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Exchange Act or the Investment Company Act.

(4) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 11, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of state law and of the Exchange Act with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 11. Nothing in this Section 11 shall be deemed to affect any right of a stockholder to request inclusion of a proposal in, or the right of the Corporation to omit a proposal from, the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 (or any successor provision) under the Exchange Act. Nothing in this Section 11 shall require disclosure of revocable proxies received by the stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person pursuant to a solicitation of proxies after the filing of an effective Schedule 14A by such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person under Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act.

(5) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, except as otherwise determined by the chairman of the meeting, if the stockholder giving notice as provided for in this Section 11 does not appear in person or by proxy at such annual or special meeting to present each nominee for election as a director or the proposed business, as applicable, such matter shall not be considered at the meeting.

Section 12. VOTING BY BALLOT. Voting on any question or in any election may be viva voce unless the presiding officer shall order or any stockholder shall demand that voting be by ballot.

Section 13. EXEMPTION FROM CONTROL SHARE ACQUISITION ACT. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, Subtitle 7 of Title 3 of the Maryland General Corporation Law, or any successor statute (the "MGCL"), shall not apply to any acquisition by any person of shares of stock of the Corporation.

ARTICLE III

DIRECTORS

Section 1. GENERAL POWERS. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of its Board of Directors.

Section 2. NUMBER, TENURE AND RESIGNATION. A majority of the entire Board of Directors may establish, increase or decrease the number of directors, provided that the number thereof shall never be less than the minimum number required by the MGCL nor more than 12, and further provided that the tenure of office of a director shall not be affected by any decrease in the number of directors. Any director of the Corporation may resign at any time by delivering his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, the chairman of the Board of Directors or the secretary. Any resignation shall take effect immediately upon its receipt or at such later time specified in the resignation. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective unless otherwise stated in the resignation.

Section 3. REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS. The entire Board of Directors or any individual director may be removed from office with or without cause by a vote of the majority of holders of the outstanding shares in the Corporation. In the event the Board of Directors or any one or more directors are removed, new directors may be elected at the same time for the unexpired portion of the full term of the director or directors so removed.

Section 4. ANNUAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS. An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately after and at the same place as the annual meeting of stockholders, no notice other than this Bylaw being necessary. In the event such meeting is not so held, the meeting may be held at such time and place as shall be specified in a notice given as hereinafter provided for special meetings of the Board of Directors. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held from time to time at such places and times as provided by the Board of Directors by resolution, without notice other than such resolution.

Section 5. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president of the Corporation, or a majority of the directors then in office. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board of Directors may fix any place as the place for holding any special meeting of the Board of Directors called by them. The Board of Directors may provide, by resolution, the time and place for the holding of special meetings of the Board of Directors without notice other than such resolution.

Section 6. NOTICE. Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be delivered personally or by telephone, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, U.S. mail or courier to each director at his or her business or residence address. Notice by personal delivery, telephone, electronic mail or facsimile transmission shall be given at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Notice by U.S. mail shall be given at least three days prior to the meeting. Notice by courier shall be given at least two days prior to the meeting. Telephone notice shall be deemed to be given when the director or his or her agent is personally given such notice in a telephone call to which the director or his or her agent is a party.

Electronic mail notice shall be deemed to be given upon transmission of the message to the electronic mail address given to the Corporation by the director. Facsimile transmission notice shall be deemed to be given upon completion of the transmission of the message to the number given to the Corporation by the director and receipt of a completed answer-back indicating receipt. Notice by U.S. mail shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the U.S. mail properly addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. Notice by courier shall be deemed to be given when deposited with or delivered to a courier properly addressed. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any annual, regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors need be stated in the notice, unless specifically required by statute or these Bylaws.

Section 7. QUORUM. A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that, if less than a majority of such directors is present at such meeting, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice, and provided further that if, pursuant to applicable law, the Charter or these Bylaws, the vote of a majority or other percentage of a particular group of directors is required for action, a quorum must also include a majority or such other percentage of such group. The directors present at a meeting which has been duly called and

at which a quorum has been established may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal from the meeting of enough directors to leave fewer than required to establish a quorum.

Section 8. VOTING. The action of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the action of the Board of Directors, unless the concurrence of a greater proportion is required for such action by law, the Charter or these Bylaws. If enough directors have withdrawn from a meeting to leave fewer than required to establish a quorum, but the meeting is not adjourned, the action of the majority of that number of directors necessary to constitute a quorum at such meeting shall be the action of the Board of Directors, unless the concurrence of a greater proportion is required for such action by law, the Charter or these Bylaws.

Section 9. ORGANIZATION. At each meeting of the Board of Directors, the chairman of the Board of Directors or, in the absence of the chairman, the vice chairman of the Board of Directors, if any, shall act as chairman of the meeting. In the absence of both the chairman and vice chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer, if the chief executive officer is a director, or, in the absence of the chief executive officer, the president, if the president is a director, or, in the absence of the president, a director chosen by a majority of the directors present, shall act as chairman of the meeting. The secretary or, in his or her absence, an assistant secretary of the Corporation, or, in the absence of the secretary and all assistant secretaries, an individual appointed by the chairman of the meeting, shall act as secretary of the meeting

Section 10. CHAIR. The Board of Directors may designate from among its members a chairman and a vice chairman of the Board of Directors, who shall not, solely by reason of such designation, be officers of the Corporation but shall have such powers and duties as specified in these Bylaws or determined by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 11. TELEPHONE MEETINGS. Directors may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or other communications equipment if all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time; provided, however, this Section 11 does not apply to any action of the directors pursuant to the Investment Company Act that requires the vote of the directors be cast in person at a meeting. Participation in a meeting by these means shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

Section 12. CONSENT BY DIRECTORS WITHOUT A MEETING. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if a consent to such action is given in writing or by electronic transmission by each director and is filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Directors; provided, however, this Section 12 does not apply to any action of the directors pursuant to the Investment Company Act, that requires the vote of the directors to be cast in person at a meeting.

Section 13. VACANCIES. If for any reason any or all the directors cease to be directors, such event shall not terminate the Corporation or affect these Bylaws or the powers of the remaining directors hereunder, if any. Pursuant to the Corporation's election in Article V of the Charter, except as may be provided by the Board of Directors in setting the terms of any class or series of preferred stock and except as may be required by the Investment Company Act, (a) any vacancy on the Board of Directors may be filled only by a majority of the remaining directors, even if the remaining directors do not constitute a quorum and (b) any director elected to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the full term of the class in which the vacancy occurred and until a successor is elected and qualifies.

Section 14. COMPENSATION. Directors shall not receive any stated salary for their services as directors but, by resolution of the Board of Directors, may receive compensation per year and/or per meeting (including telephonic meetings) and/or per visit to real property or other facilities owned or leased by the Corporation and for any service or activity they perform or engage in as directors. Directors may be reimbursed for expenses of attendance, if any, at each annual, regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof and for their expenses, if any, in connection with each property visit and any other service or activity they perform or engage in as directors; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any directors from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

Section 15. RELIANCE. Each director and officer of the Corporation shall, in the performance of his or her duties with respect to the Corporation, be entitled to rely on any information, opinion, report or statement, including any financial statement or other financial data, prepared or presented by an officer or employee of the Corporation whom the director or officer reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the matters presented, by a lawyer, certified public accountant or other person, as to a matter which the director or officer reasonably believes to be within the person's professional or expert competence, or, with respect to a director, by a committee

of the Board of Directors on which the director does not serve, as to a matter within its designated authority, if the director reasonably believes the committee to merit confidence.

Section 16. EMERGENCY PROVISIONS. Notwithstanding any other provision in the charter or these Bylaws, this Section 16 shall apply during the existence of any catastrophe, or other similar emergency condition, as a result of which a quorum of the Board of Directors under Article III of these Bylaws cannot readily be obtained (an “Emergency”). During any Emergency, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, (i) a meeting of the Board of Directors or a committee thereof may be called by any directors or officer by any means feasible under the circumstances; (ii) notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors during such an Emergency may be given less than 24 hours prior to the meeting to as many directors and by such means as may be feasible at the time, including publication, television or radio; (iii) the number of directors necessary to constitute a quorum shall be one-third of the entire Board of Directors.

Section 17. RATIFICATION. The Board of Directors or the stockholders may ratify and make binding on the Corporation any action or inaction by the Corporation or its officers to the extent that the Board of Directors or the stockholders could have originally authorized the matter. Moreover, any action or inaction questioned in any proceeding on the ground of lack of authority, defective or irregular execution, adverse interest of a director, officer or stockholder, non-disclosure, miscomputation, the application of improper principles or practices of accounting or otherwise, may be ratified, before or after judgment, by the Board of Directors or by the stockholders, and if so ratified, shall have the same force and effect as if the questioned action or inaction had been originally duly authorized, and such ratification shall be binding upon the Corporation and its stockholders and shall constitute a bar to any claim or execution of any judgment in respect of such questioned action or inaction.

Section 18. CERTAIN RIGHTS OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS. Any director or officer, in his or her personal capacity or in a capacity as an affiliate, employee, or agent of any other person, or otherwise, may have business interests and engage in business activities similar to, in addition to or in competition with those of or relating to the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV

COMMITTEES

Section 1. NUMBER, TENURE AND QUALIFICATIONS. The Board of Directors may appoint from among its members an Audit Committee, a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, a Compensation Committee and other committees, composed of one or more directors, to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. POWERS. The Board of Directors may delegate to committees appointed under Section 1 of this Article IV any of the powers of the Board of Directors, except as prohibited by law. Except as may be otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, any committee may delegate some or all of its power and authority to one or more subcommittees, composed of one or more directors, as the committee deems appropriate in its sole discretion.

Section 3. MEETINGS. Notice of committee meetings shall be given in the same manner as notice for special meetings of the Board of Directors. A majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the committee. The act of a majority of the committee members present at a meeting shall be the act of such committee. The Board of Directors may designate a chairman of any committee, and such chairman or, in the absence of a chairman, any two members of any committee (if there are at least two members of the committee) may fix the time and place of its meeting unless the Board shall otherwise provide. In the absence of any member of any such committee, the members thereof present at any meeting, whether or not they constitute a quorum, may appoint another director to act in the place of such absent member.

Section 4. TELEPHONE MEETINGS. Members of a committee of the Board of Directors may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or other communications equipment if all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at

the same time; provided, however, this Section 4 does not apply to any action of the directors pursuant to the Investment Company Act that requires the vote of the directors be cast in person at a meeting. Participation in a meeting by these means shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

Section 5. CONSENT BY COMMITTEES WITHOUT A MEETING. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of a committee of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if a consent to such action is given in writing or by electronic transmission by each member of the committee and is filed with the minutes of proceedings of such committee; provided, however, this Section 5 does not apply to any action of the directors pursuant to the Investment Company Act, that requires the vote of the directors to be cast in person at a meeting.

Section 6. VACANCIES. Subject to the provisions hereof, the Board of Directors shall have the power at any time to change the membership of any committee, to fill all vacancies, to designate alternate members to replace any absent or disqualified member or to dissolve any such committee. Subject to the power of the Board of Directors, the members of the committee shall have the power to fill any vacancies on the committee.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

Section 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. The officers of the Corporation shall include a president, a secretary and a treasurer and may include a chief executive officer, one or more vice presidents, a chief operating officer, a chief financial officer, a chief compliance officer, one or more assistant secretaries and one or more assistant treasurers. In addition, the Board of Directors may from time to time elect such other officers with such powers and duties as it shall deem necessary or desirable. The officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors, except that the chief executive officer or president may from time to time appoint one or more vice presidents, assistant secretaries, assistant treasurers or other officers. Each officer shall serve until his or her successor is elected and qualifies or until his or her death, or his or her resignation or removal in the manner hereinafter provided. Any two or more offices except president and vice president may be held by the same person. Election of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights between the Corporation and such officer or agent.

Section 2. REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION. Any officer or agent of the Corporation may be removed, with or without cause, by the Board of Directors if in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Any officer of the Corporation may resign at any time by delivering his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer, the president or the secretary. Any resignation shall take effect immediately upon its receipt or at such later time specified in the resignation. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective unless otherwise stated in the resignation. Such resignation shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the Corporation.

Section 3. VACANCIES. A vacancy in any office may be filled by the Board of Directors for the balance of the term.

Section 4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. The Board of Directors may designate a chief executive officer of the Corporation. In the absence of such designation, the president shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation. The chief executive officer shall have general responsibility for implementation of the policies of the Corporation, as determined by the Board of Directors, and for the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation. He or she may execute any deed, mortgage, bond, contract or other instrument, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law to be otherwise executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of chief executive officer and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 5. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. The Board of Directors may designate a chief financial officer of the Corporation. The chief financial officer shall have general supervision, direction and control of the financial affairs of the Corporation and shall have such other responsibilities and duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or the chief executive officer from time to time.

Section 6. CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER. The Board of Directors may designate a chief compliance officer of the Corporation. The chief compliance officer shall have the responsibilities and duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or the chief executive officer from time to time.

Section 7. PRESIDENT. In the absence of a designation of a chief executive officer by the Board of Directors, the president of the Corporation shall be the chief executive officer. He or she may execute any deed, mortgage, bond, contract or other instrument, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law to be otherwise executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of president and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or the chief executive officer from time to time.

Section 8. VICE PRESIDENTS. In the absence of the president or in the event of a vacancy in such office, the vice president of the Corporation (or in the event there be more than one vice president, the vice presidents in the order designated at the time of their election or, in the absence of any designation, then in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the president and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president; and shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to such vice president by the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president of the Corporation. The Board of Directors may designate one or more vice presidents as executive vice president or as vice president for particular areas of responsibility.

Section 9. SECRETARY. The secretary of the Corporation shall (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the stockholders, the Board of Directors and committees of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the Corporation; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each stockholder which shall be furnished to the secretary by such stockholder; (e) have general charge of the stock transfer books of the Corporation; and (f) in general perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president.

Section 10. TREASURER. The treasurer of the Corporation shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Corporation and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors and in general perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president. In the absence of a designation of a chief financial officer by the Board of Directors, the treasurer shall be the chief financial officer of the Corporation.

The treasurer shall disburse the funds of the Corporation as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the president and Board of Directors, upon request, an account of all his or her transactions as treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation.

If required by the Board of Directors, the treasurer shall give the Corporation a bond in such sum and with such surety or sureties as shall be satisfactory to the Board of Directors for the faithful performance of the duties of his or her office and for the restoration to the Corporation, in case of his or her death, resignation, retirement or removal from office, of all books, papers, vouchers, moneys and other property of whatever kind in his or her possession or under his or her control belonging to the Corporation.

Section 11. ASSISTANT SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT TREASURERS. The assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or the president or by the secretary or treasurer.

Section 12. CONTROLLER. The controller shall establish and maintain the accounting records of the Corporation in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis, maintain proper internal control of the assets of the Corporation and shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer or any vice president of the Corporation may prescribe.

ARTICLE VI

CONTRACTS, CHECKS AND DEPOSITS

Section 1. CONTRACTS. The Board of Directors or any manager of the Corporation approved by the Board of Directors and acting within the scope of its authority pursuant to a management agreement with the Corporation may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or to execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Any agreement, deed, mortgage, lease or other document shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation when duly authorized or ratified by action of the Board of Directors or a manager acting within the scope of its authority pursuant to a management agreement and executed by the chief executive officer, the president or any other person authorized by the Board of Directors or such a manager.

Section 2. CHECKS AND DRAFTS. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or agent of the Corporation in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. DEPOSITS. All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may designate.

ARTICLE VII

STOCK

Section 1. CERTIFICATES; REQUIRED INFORMATION. Except as may otherwise be provided by the Board of Directors or an officer of the Corporation, stockholders of the Corporation are not entitled to certificates representing the shares of stock of any class or series of the Corporation held by them. In the event that the Corporation issues shares of stock represented by certificates, such certificates shall be in such form as prescribed by the Board of Directors or a duly authorized officer, shall contain the statements and information required by the MGCL and shall be signed by the officers of the Corporation in the manner permitted by the MGCL. In the event that the Corporation issues shares of stock without certificates, to the extent then required by the MGCL, the Corporation shall provide to record holders of such shares a written statement of the information required by the MGCL to be included on stock certificates. There shall be no differences in the rights and obligations of stockholders based on whether or not their shares are represented by certificates.

Section 2. TRANSFERS. All transfers of shares of stock shall be made on the books of the Corporation in such manner as the Board of Directors or any officer of the Corporation may prescribe and, if such shares are certificated, upon surrender of certificates duly endorsed. The issuance of a new certificate upon the transfer of certificated shares is subject to the determination of the Board of Directors or any officer of the Corporation that such shares shall no longer be represented by certificates. Upon the transfer of any uncertificated shares, to the extent then required by the MGCL, the Corporation shall provide to the record holders of such shares a written statement of the information required by the MGCL to be included on stock certificates.

The Corporation shall be entitled to treat the holder of record of any share of stock as the holder in fact thereof and, accordingly, shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise expressly provided by the laws of the State of Maryland.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, transfers of shares of any class or series of stock will be subject in all respects to the Charter and all of the terms and conditions contained therein.

Section 3. REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATE. Any officer of the Corporation may direct a new certificate or certificates to be issued in place of any certificate or certificates theretofore issued by the Corporation alleged to have been lost, destroyed, stolen or mutilated, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the person claiming the certificate to be lost, destroyed, stolen or mutilated; provided, however, if such shares have ceased to be certificated, no new certificate shall be issued unless requested in writing by such stockholder and the Board of Directors or an officer of the Corporation has determined that such certificates may be issued. Unless

otherwise determined by an officer of the Corporation, the owner of such lost, destroyed, stolen or mutilated certificate or certificates, or his or her legal representative, shall be required, as a condition precedent to the issuance of a new certificate or certificates, to give the Corporation a bond in such sums as it may direct as indemnity against any claim that may be made against the Corporation.

Section 4. FIXING OF RECORD DATE. Subject to Section 3(b) of Article II of these Bylaws, a record date may be set, in advance, for the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders, by the chairman of the Board of Directors, the president or the Board of Directors, whoever shall have called the meeting. The Board of Directors may set, in advance, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or the allotment of any other rights, or in order to make a determination of stockholders for any other proper purpose. Such date, in any case, shall not be prior to the close of business on the day the record date is fixed and shall be not more than 90 days and, in the case of a meeting of stockholders, not less than ten days, before the date on which the meeting or particular action requiring such determination of stockholders of record is to be held or taken.

When a record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at any meeting of stockholders has been set as provided in this section, such record date shall continue to apply to the meeting if adjourned or postponed, except if the meeting is adjourned or postponed to a date more than 120 days after the record date originally fixed for the meeting, in which case a new record date for such meeting may be determined as set forth herein.

Section 5. STOCK LEDGER. The Corporation shall maintain at its principal office or at the office of its counsel, accountants or transfer agent, an original or duplicate stock ledger containing the name and address of each stockholder and the number of shares of each class held by such stockholder.

Section 6. FRACTIONAL STOCK; ISSUANCE OF UNITS. The Board of Directors may authorize the Corporation to issue fractional stock on such terms and under such conditions as it may determine. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Charter or these Bylaws, the Board of Directors may issue units consisting of different securities of the Corporation. Any security issued in a unit shall have the same characteristics as any identical security issued by the Corporation, except that the Board of Directors may provide that, for a specified period, securities of the Corporation issued in such unit may be transferred on the books of the Corporation only in such unit.

ARTICLE VIII

ACCOUNTING YEAR

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall initially be twelve months ending on September 30. The Board of Directors shall have the power, from time to time, to fix the fiscal year of the Corporation by a duly adopted resolution.

ARTICLE IX

DISTRIBUTIONS

Section 1. AUTHORIZATION. Dividends and other distributions upon the stock of the Corporation may be authorized by the Board of Directors, subject to the provisions of law and the Charter. Dividends and other distributions may be paid in cash, property or stock of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of law and the Charter.

Section 2. CONTINGENCIES. Before payment of any dividends or other distributions, there may be set aside out of any assets of the Corporation available for dividends or other distributions such sum or sums as the Board of Directors may from time to time, in its absolute discretion, think proper as a reserve fund for contingencies, for equalizing dividends or other distributions, for repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation or for such other purpose as the Board of Directors shall determine, and the Board of Directors may modify or abolish any such reserve.

ARTICLE X

SEAL

Section 1. SEAL. The Board of Directors may authorize the adoption of a seal by the Corporation. The seal shall contain the name of the Corporation and the year of its incorporation and the words "Incorporated Maryland," or shall be in such other form as may approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may authorize one or more duplicate seals and provide for the custody thereof.

Section 2. AFFIXING SEAL. Whenever the Corporation is permitted or required to affix its seal to a document, it shall be sufficient to meet the requirements of any law, rule or regulation relating to a seal to place the word "(SEAL)" adjacent to the signature of the person authorized to execute the document on behalf of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI

INDEMNIFICATION AND ADVANCE OF EXPENSES

To the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law in effect from time to time, the Corporation shall indemnify and, without requiring a preliminary determination of the ultimate entitlement to indemnification, shall pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to (a) any individual who is a present or former director or officer of the Corporation and who is made or threatened to be made a party to, or witness in, the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity or (b) any individual who, while a director or officer of the Corporation and at the request of the Corporation, serves or has served as a director, officer, partner, member, manager or trustee of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise and who is made or threatened to be made a party to, or witness in, the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity. The rights to indemnification and advance of expenses provided by the Charter and these Bylaws shall vest immediately upon the election of a director or officer. The Corporation may, with the approval of its Board of Directors or any duly authorized committee thereof, provide such indemnification and advance for expenses to an individual who served a predecessor of the Corporation in any of the capacities described in (a) or (b) above and to any employee or agent of the Corporation or a predecessor of the Corporation. The indemnification and payment or reimbursement of expenses provided in these Bylaws shall not be deemed exclusive of or limit in any way other rights to which any person seeking indemnification or payment or reimbursement of expenses may be or may become entitled under any bylaw, resolution, insurance, agreement or otherwise. Any indemnification or payment or reimbursement of expenses made pursuant to this Article XI shall be subject to applicable requirements and limitations of the Investment Company Act.

Neither the amendment nor repeal of this Article, nor the adoption or amendment of any other provision of Charter or these Bylaws inconsistent with this Article, shall apply to or affect in any respect the applicability of the preceding paragraph with respect to any act or failure to act which occurred prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption.

ARTICLE XII

WAIVER OF NOTICE

Whenever any notice of a meeting is required to be given pursuant to the Charter or these Bylaws or pursuant to applicable law, a waiver thereof in writing or by electronic transmission, given by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Neither the business to be transacted at nor the purpose of any meeting need be set forth in the waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifically required by statute. The attendance of any person at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where such person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting has not been lawfully called or convened.

ARTICLE XIII

INSPECTION OF RECORDS

A stockholder that is otherwise eligible under applicable law to inspect the Corporation's books of account, stock ledger, or other specified documents of the Corporation shall have no right to make such inspection if the Board of Directors determines that such stockholder has an improper purpose for requesting such inspection.

ARTICLE XIV

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT

If and to the extent that any provision of the MGCL, including Subtitle 6 and, if then applicable, Subtitle 7, of Title 3 of the MGCL, or any provision of the charter or these Bylaws conflicts with any provision of the Investment Company Act or other federal securities laws, the applicable provision of the Investment Company Act or other federal securities laws shall control.

ARTICLE XIV

EXCLUSIVE FORUM FOR CERTAIN LITIGATION

Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, Maryland, or, if that Court does not have jurisdiction, the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, Baltimore Division, shall be the sole and exclusive forum for (a) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation, (b) any action asserting a claim of breach of any duty owed by any director or officer or other employee of the Corporation to the Corporation or to the stockholders of the Corporation, (c) any action asserting a claim against the Corporation or any director or officer or other employee of the Corporation arising pursuant to any provision of the MGCL, the Charter or these Bylaws or (d) any action asserting a claim against the Corporation or any director or officer or other employee of the Corporation that is governed by the internal affairs doctrine.

ARTICLE XVI

AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be amended, altered, repealed or replaced and new Bylaws may be adopted, either by vote of (a) a majority of holders of the outstanding shares in the Corporation, or (b) a majority of the Board of Directors; provided, however, that any amendment to this Article XVI shall require the vote of (i) a majority of the Board of Directors and (ii) a majority of holders of the outstanding shares in the Corporation.

Adopted effective as of: 7.19.22

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

(A Maryland Corporation)

SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT

Article I.

Section 1.01 Subscription.

(a) Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, and in reliance upon the representations and warranties contained in this subscription agreement (this “Subscription Agreement”), the undersigned (the “Investor”) irrevocably subscribes for and agrees to purchase shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (“Shares”), of **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I** (the “Company”) on the terms and conditions described herein, in the Company’s disclosure package consisting of the materials listed in Appendix F hereto (together with any appendices and supplements thereto, the “Disclosure Package”), in the Company’s [Amended and Restated] Articles of Incorporation (the “Charter”), in the Company’s Bylaws (the “Bylaws”), in the Investment Advisory and Management Agreement by and between the Company and **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC** (the “Adviser”) (the “Investment Advisory Agreement”) and in the Administration Agreement between the Company and **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC** (in such capacity, the “Administrator”) (the “Administration Agreement”) and together with the Charter, the Bylaws, the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Disclosure Package, the “Operative Documents”). The Investor has received the Operative Documents. The Company expects to enter into separate subscription agreements (the “Other Subscription Agreements”) with other investors (the “Other Investors,” and together with the Investor, the “Investors”), providing for the sale of Shares to the Other Investors. This Subscription Agreement and the Other Subscription Agreements are separate agreements, and the sales of Shares to the undersigned and the Other Investors are to be separate sales.

(b) The Investor agrees to purchase Shares for an aggregate purchase price equal to the amount set forth on the signature page hereof (the “Capital Commitment”), payable at such times and in such amounts as required by the Company, under the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein. On each Drawdown Date (as defined below), the Investor agrees to purchase from the Company, and the Company agrees to issue to the Investor, a number of Shares equal to the Drawdown Share Amount (as defined below) at an aggregate price equal to the Drawdown Purchase Price (as defined below); *provided, however*, that in no circumstance will an Investor be required to purchase Shares for an amount in excess of its Unused Capital Commitment (as defined below).

(c) To accommodate the legal, tax, regulatory or fiscal concerns of certain Other Investors, the Adviser may determine to allow certain Other Investors (the “Fully Funded Other Investors”) to fully fund their Capital Commitment.

“Drawdown Purchase Price” shall mean, for each Drawdown Date, an amount in U.S. dollars determined by multiplying (i) the aggregate amount of Capital Commitments being drawn down by the Company from all Investors on that Drawdown Date, by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the Unused Capital Commitment of the Investor and the denominator of which is the aggregate Unused Capital Commitments of all Investors that are not Defaulting Investors or Excluded Investors (as defined below).

“Drawdown Share Amount” shall mean, for each Drawdown Date, a number of Shares determined by dividing (i) the Drawdown Purchase Price for that Drawdown Date by (ii) the Per Share NAV (as defined below) as of the Drawdown Date, subject to adjustment to take into account a determination of changes to the net asset value per share of common stock within 48 hours of the Drawdown Date to ensure compliance with Section 23(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”) (the “Adjustment Procedures”), with the resulting quotient adjusted to the nearest whole number to avoid the issuance of fractional shares.

“Per Share NAV” shall mean, for any date, the net asset value per share of common stock determined in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Disclosure Package (as those procedures may be changed from time to time in a manner consistent with the limitations of the 1940 Act) as of the last day of the Company’s fiscal quarter immediately preceding such date.

“Unused Capital Commitment” shall mean, with respect to an Investor, the amount of such Investor’s Capital Commitment as of any date reduced by the aggregate amount of contributions made by that Investor at all previous Drawdown Dates and any Catch-up Date pursuant to Section 1.01(b) and Section 1.02(b), respectively.

Section 1.02 Closings.

(a) The closing of this subscription agreement will take place at [810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor, New York, New York 10019] on [], 2022 (such date being the “Closing Date,” and the date upon which the first closing of any Subscription Agreement occurs being referred to herein as the “Initial Closing Date”). The Investor agrees to provide any information reasonably requested by the Company to verify the accuracy of the representations contained herein, including without limitation the investor suitability questionnaire attached as Appendix A (the “Investor Profile Form”). Promptly after the Closing Date, the Company will deliver to the Investor or its representative, if the Investor’s subscription has been accepted, a countersigned copy of this Subscription Agreement and other documents and instruments necessary to reflect the Investor’s status as an investor in the Company, including any documents and instruments to be delivered pursuant to this Subscription Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 1.02(e) below, the Company may enter into Other Subscription Agreements with Other Investors after the Closing Date, with any closing thereunder referred to as a “Subsequent Closing” and any Other Investor whose subscription has been accepted at such Subsequent Closing referred to as a “Subsequent Investor.” Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 1.01(b) and 2.01, on a date to be determined by the Company that occurs on or following the Subsequent Closing but no later than the next succeeding Drawdown Date (the “Catch-up Date”), each Subsequent Investor shall be required to purchase from the Company a number of Shares with an aggregate purchase price necessary to ensure that, upon payment of the aggregate purchase price for such Shares by the Subsequent Investor on the Catch-up Date, such Subsequent Investor’s Invested Percentage (as defined below) shall be equal to the Invested Percentage of all prior Investors (other than any Defaulting Investors, Excluded Investors or Fully Funded Other Investors) (the “Catch-up Purchase Price”). Upon payment of the Catch-up Purchase Price by the Investor on the Catch-up Date, the Company shall issue to each such Subsequent Investor a number of Shares determined by dividing (x) the Catch-up Purchase Price by (y) the Per Share NAV as of the Catch-up Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with the Adjustment Procedures. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event that the Catch-up Date and a Drawdown Date occur on the same calendar day, the Catch-up Date (and the application of the provisions of this Section 1.02(b)) shall be deemed to have occurred immediately prior to the relevant Drawdown Date.

“Invested Percentage” means, with respect to an Investor, the quotient determined by dividing (i) the aggregate amount of contributions made by such Investor pursuant to Section 1.01(b) and this Section 1.02(b) by (ii) such Investor’s Capital Commitment.

(c) At each Drawdown Date following any Subsequent Closing, all Investors, including Subsequent Investors, shall purchase Shares in accordance with the provisions of Section 1.01(b); *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, the definition of Drawdown Share Amount and the provisions of Section 2.01(b), nothing in this Subscription Agreement shall prohibit the Company from issuing Shares to Subsequent Investors at a per share price greater than the Per Share NAV as of the Drawdown Date, as adjusted pursuant to the Adjustment Procedures.

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may permit the Investor to increase its Capital Commitment; provided however, that any such increases do not cause the Investor’s Capital Commitment to exceed \$700,000,000 or such other amount as may be mutually agreed to by the Company and Investor. In the event that any Investor is permitted by the Company to make an additional capital commitment to purchase Shares on a date after its initial subscription has been accepted, such Investor will be required to enter into a separate subscription agreement with the Company and such other documents as may be requested by the Company, it being understood and agreed that such separate subscription agreement will be considered to be an Other Subscription Agreement for the purposes of this Subscription Agreement.

(e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Section 1.02, the Company shall not seek to raise additional Capital Commitments from Subsequent Investors without the prior consent or approval of the holders of the majority of the Company’s then outstanding Shares.

Article II.

Section 2.01 Drawdowns.

(a) Subject to Section 2.01(e), purchases of Shares will take place on dates selected by the Company in its sole discretion (each, a “Drawdown Date”) and shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Section 1.01(b); provided, however, that no Drawdown Date shall occur until the Company’s Form 10 shall have become effective under the 1934 Act.

(b) Prior to each Drawdown Date, the Company shall deliver to the Investor a notice (each, a “Drawdown Notice”) setting forth (i) the aggregate purchase price for Shares being purchased on the Drawdown Date; (ii) the applicable Drawdown Purchase Price; (iii) the estimated Drawdown Share Amount; (iv) applicable Per Share NAV as of the applicable Drawdown Date, and (v) the account to which the Drawdown Purchase Price should be wired. The Company shall deliver each Drawdown Notice to the Investor at least 10 Business Days prior to the Drawdown Date. On the Drawdown Date, if as a result of adjustments to the Per Share NAV in accordance with the Adjustment Procedures, the estimated Drawdown Share Amount set forth in the Drawdown Notice is not the actual Drawdown Share Amount, the Company will deliver to the Investor an additional notice setting forth the adjusted Per Share NAV and the actual Drawdown Share Amount.

For the purposes of this Subscription Agreement, the term “Business Day” means any day, other than Saturday, Sunday or a federal holiday, and shall consist of the time period from 12:01 a.m. through 12:00 midnight Eastern time.

(c) On each Drawdown Date, the Investor shall pay the Drawdown Purchase Price to the Company by bank wire transfer in immediately available funds in U.S. dollars to the account specified in the Drawdown Notice.

(d) The Company has appointed a third party transfer agent, distribution paying agent and registrar for the Shares.

(e) At the end of the Investment Period (as defined below), any Unused Capital Commitment (other than any Defaulted Commitment) shall automatically be reduced to zero, *provided, however* that Investors will remain obligated to fund Drawdowns to the extent necessary to pay amounts due under Drawdown Notices that the Company may thereafter issue to: (a) fund the management fee and other Company liabilities and expenses throughout the term of the Company (including to repay outstanding financings of the Company); (b) complete Company investments that are in process or that have been committed to as of the end of the Investment Period; and (c) make follow-on investments in an aggregate amount up to 10% of the gross assets of the Company. “Investment Period” shall mean the period beginning on the date of the Initial Closing and continuing through the four year anniversary of the Initial Closing, subject to automatic extensions, thereafter, each for an additional one year period, unless the holders of a majority of the company’s then outstanding Shares elect to forego any such extension, upon not less than ninety (90) days prior written notice to the Adviser; *provided, however*; that the holders of a majority of the Company’s then outstanding Shares may terminate the Investment Period at any time, upon not less than ninety (90) days prior written notice to the Adviser. The Adviser may also terminate the Investment Period as of an earlier date in its good faith discretion after consulting with the Investors about the reasons for the termination and making good faith efforts to resolve the reason for the early termination if so requested by the holders of a majority of outstanding Shares.¹

(f) The term of the Company (the “Term”) shall be perpetual.

(g) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Subscription Agreement, the Company shall have the right (a “Limited Exclusion Right”) to exclude any Investor (such Investor, an “Excluded Investor”) from purchasing Shares from the Company on any Drawdown Date if, in the reasonable discretion of the Company, there is a substantial likelihood that such Investor’s purchase of Shares at such time would result in a violation of, or noncompliance with, any law or regulation to which such Investor, the Company, the Adviser, any Other Investor or a portfolio company would be subject. In the event that any Limited Exclusion Rights is exercised, the Company shall be authorized to issue an additional Drawdown Notice to the non-Excused Investors to make up any applicable shortfall caused by such Limited Exclusion Right. In no event shall the Investor be required to contribute capital pursuant to any Drawdown Notice in excess of the Investor’s then current Unused Capital Commitment.

Section 2.02 Pledging. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Investor specifically agrees and consents that the Company may, at any time, and without further notice to or consent from the Investor (except to the extent otherwise provided in this Subscription Agreement), grant security over (and, in connection therewith), Transfer (as defined in Section 4.01(c)(1) its right to draw down capital from the Investor pursuant to Section 2.01, and the Company's right to receive the Drawdown Share Purchase Price (and any related rights of the Company), to lenders or other creditors of the Company, in connection with any indebtedness, guarantee or surety of the Company; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, any such grantee's right to draw down capital shall be subject to the limitations on the Company's right to draw down capital pursuant to Section 2.01. In connection with any such secured financing (a "Subscription Facility"), the Investor specifically agrees, for the benefit of the Company and such lenders, to the following:

(a) The Company may incur indebtedness for Company purposes, including without limitation pursuant to a Subscription Facility, and secure such Subscription Facility by (i) the Unused Capital Commitments, (ii) the Company's rights to issue Drawdown Notices and receive payment therefor, (iii) the Company's right to exercise remedies against the Investors and the Other Investors for failure to pay for such Shares as required by the Drawdown Notices, (iv) the deposit account into which the payments for such Shares will be wired, and (v) any related collateral and proceeds thereof, (b) the Investor acknowledges and agrees that the lender (or agent for the lenders) under a Subscription Facility is relying on each Investor's Unused Capital Commitment as its primary source of repayment and may issue future Drawdown Notices and may exercise all remedies of the Company with respect thereto as part of such lenders' (or such lenders' agents') remedies under the Subscription Facility, (c) in the event of a failure by any Investor to pay for such Shares, each of the Company and such lender (or agent for such lender) is entitled to pursue any and all remedies available to it under this Subscription Agreement, including issuing additional Drawdown Notices to non-Defaulting Investors in order to make up any deficiency caused by the default of the Investor, whose ownership in the Company would be diluted as a result, (d) the Investor agrees that its obligation to fund Drawdown Notices pursuant to Section 2.01 is irrevocable, and shall be without setoff, counterclaim or defense of any kind, including any defense pursuant to Section 365 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (other than any defenses provided hereunder), (e) the Investor has received full and adequate consideration on the date hereof for its Shares that are to be paid and issued in subsequent installments, and any defense of non-consideration or similar defenses for its subscription are hereby waived by the Investor, whether in bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar proceedings or otherwise, including any failure or inability of the Company to issue Shares or for any such Shares to have positive value on the date of a Drawdown Notice, (f) the Company may use the proceeds of any Share issuance for repaying outstanding loans under the Subscription Facility, (g) the Investor agrees that the Company may reveal the Investor's identity, this Subscription Agreement and any side letter or similar arrangement with the Investor on a confidential basis to the lenders (or agents for the lenders) under a Subscription Facility, if so required under the terms of such Subscription Facility, (h) upon the reasonable request of the Company, the Investor will, as soon as reasonably practicable, provide the Company with copies of its publicly available financial statements to enable the Company to comply with underwriting requests from any lender (or agent for such lender) under a Subscription Facility and take such further action as may be reasonably requested by the Company to consummate the financing contemplated in this Section 2.02, (i) any claim the Investor may have against the Company or another Investor in the Company shall be subordinate to any claim a lender (or agent for such lender) under the Subscription Facility may have against the Company or such Investor, (j) from time to time upon request, the Investor will provide to any lender under a Subscription Facility a certificate setting forth such Investor's then Unused Capital Commitment, (k) it acknowledges and confirms that the terms of the applicable Subscription Facility and each other agreement executed in connection therewith can be modified (including, without limitation, increases, decreases or renewals of credit extended, or the release of any guarantee or security) without further notice to such Investor and without its consent; *provided, however*, that in no event shall any such modification of any such document alter an Investor's rights or obligations hereunder without such Investor's written consent, (l) each Investor acknowledges that the making and performance of its obligations hereunder constitute private and commercial acts rather than governmental or public acts, and that neither it nor any of its properties or revenues has any right of immunity from suit, court jurisdiction, execution of a judgment or from any other legal process with respect to its obligations hereunder, and to the extent that it may hereafter be entitled to claim any such immunity, or to the extent that there may be attributed to it such an immunity (whether or not claimed), unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Company, it hereby irrevocably agrees not to claim and hereby irrevocably waives such immunity, (m) upon the withdrawal or transfer of the Investor's interest in the Company in accordance with the terms hereof, such Investor acknowledges that it may be required at the time of such withdrawal or transfer to fund a Drawdown Notice to repay amounts outstanding under the Subscription Facility equal to its share thereof; *provided* that such Investor shall not be required to fund a Drawdown Notice in excess of its Unused Capital Commitment, and (n) that the lenders (or agents for the lenders) under a Subscription Facility are third party beneficiaries of this Subscription Agreement who may rely on the Investor's agreements in this Section 2.02 in providing a Subscription Facility to the Company.

Section 2.03 Distributions.

(a) The Company represents and warrants that it shall not make any distributions consisting of securities that are not Marketable Securities except in connection with liquidation distributions in accordance with Maryland General Corporation Law. “Marketable Securities” means securities which are traded or quoted on the New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange or the Nasdaq Global Market or on a comparable securities market or exchange now or in the future.

(b) The Company shall provide at least five (5) Business Days’ notice prior to the payment date of any distribution to the Investor. Distributions shall consist of cash or cash equivalents, except that the Company may make distributions of assets in kind to the Investor with the prior consent of the Investor.

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(c) During the Investment Period, any amounts received by the Company as a return of capital (as opposed to a return on capital) with respect to an investment may be retained by the Company, without reducing the Investor’s Unused Capital Commitments, for the purpose of making investments and/or for such other permissible purposes as set out in the Disclosure Package.

Article III.

Section 3.01 Remedies Upon Investor Default. In the event that an Investor fails to pay all or any portion of the Drawdown Purchase Price due from such Investor on any Drawdown Date (such amount, together with the full amount of such Investor’s remaining Capital Commitment, a “Defaulted Commitment”) and such default remains uncured for a period of 10 Business Days, the Company shall be permitted to declare such Investor to be in default of its obligations under this Subscription Agreement (any such Investor, a “Defaulting Investor”) and shall be permitted to pursue one or any combination of the following remedies:

(a) The Company may prohibit the Defaulting Investor from purchasing additional Shares on any future Drawdown Date;

(b) The Company may offer up to 25% of the Defaulting Investor’s Shares (the “Offered Shares”) first, to the Other Investors (other than any defaulting Other Investors) and if such Other Investors do not purchase all of such Offered Shares, to third parties for purchase at a price equal to the lesser of the then net asset value of such Shares or the highest price reasonably obtainable by the Company, subject to such other terms as the Company in its discretion shall determine, which offer(s) shall be binding upon the Defaulting Investor if the purchasing Other Investors or third parties agree to assume the related Capital Commitment with respect to such Shares of the Defaulting Investor, including any portion then due and unpaid, and the Company pursuant to its authority under Section 5.01 may execute on behalf of the Defaulting Investor any documents necessary to effect the Transfer (as defined herein) of the Defaulting Investor’s Shares pursuant to this Section 3.01(b); *provided, however*, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Subscription Agreement, no Shares shall be transferred to any Other Investor pursuant to this Section 3.01(b) in the event that such Transfer (as defined in herein) would (x) violate the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “1933 Act”), the 1940 Act or any state (or other jurisdiction) securities or “Blue Sky” laws applicable to the Company or such Transfer (as defined in Section 4.01(c)(1), or (y) constitute a non-exempt “prohibited transaction” under Section 406 of the U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”) or Section 4975 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”)(it being understood that this proviso shall operate only to the extent useful to avoid the occurrence of the consequences contemplated herein);

(c) The Company may pursue any other remedies against the Defaulting Investor available to the Company, subject to applicable law. The Investor agrees that this Section 3.01 is solely for the benefit of the Company and shall be interpreted by the Company against a Defaulting Investor in the discretion of the Company. The Investor further agrees that the Investor cannot and shall not seek to enforce this Section 3.01 against the Company or any shareholder in the Company; and

(d) The Company shall be authorized to issue additional Drawdown Notices to non-Defaulting Investors to make up for any short-fall caused by a Defaulting Investor’s failure to fund any Drawdown Notice, *provided* that no Investor shall be obligated to fund more than its then Unused Capital Commitment.

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Article IV.

Section 4.01 Investor Representations, Warranties and Covenants. The Investor hereby acknowledges, represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the Company as follows:

(a) This Subscription Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Investor and, upon due authorization, execution and delivery by the Company, will constitute the valid and legally binding agreement of the Investor enforceable in accordance with its terms against the Investor, except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other laws of general application relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights and remedies, as from time to time in effect.

(b) The Investor is acquiring the Shares for the Investor's own account as principal for investment and not with a view to the distribution or sale thereof.

(c)

(1) The Investor understands that the offering and sale of the Shares are intended to be exempt from registration under the 1933 Act, applicable U.S. state securities laws and the laws of any non-U.S. jurisdictions by virtue of the private placement exemption from registration provided in Section 4(2) of the 1933 Act, exemptions under applicable U.S. state securities laws and exemptions under the laws of any non-U.S. jurisdictions, and it agrees that any Shares acquired by the Investor may not be sold, offered for sale, exchanged, transferred, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of (each, a "Transfer") in any manner that would require the Company to register the Shares under the 1933 Act, under any U.S. state securities laws or under the laws of any non-U.S. jurisdictions.

(2) The Investor understands that the Company requires each investor in the Company to be an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D of the 1933 Act ("Accredited Investor") and the Investor represents and warrants that it is an Accredited Investor.

(3) The Investor understands that the offering and sale of the Shares in non-U.S. jurisdictions may be subject to additional restrictions and limitations, and represents and warrants that it is acquiring its Shares in compliance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations and other legal requirements applicable to the Investor including, without limitation, the legal requirements of jurisdictions in which the Investor is resident and in which such acquisition is being consummated. Furthermore, the Investor understands that all offerings and sales made outside the United States will be made pursuant to Regulation S under the 1933 Act.

(d) The Investor: (i) is not registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act; (ii) has not elected to be regulated as a business development company under the 1940 Act; and (iii) either (A) is not relying on the exception from the definition of "investment company" under the 1940 Act set forth in Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) thereunder or (B) is permitted to acquire and hold more than 3% of the outstanding voting securities of a business development company regulated under the 1940 Act.

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(e)

(1) The Investor may not Transfer any of its Shares or its Capital Commitment unless (i) the Adviser provides its prior written consent, which, with respect to a Plan (as defined in Section 4.02(a) hereof), will not be withheld unreasonably in the case of a change of the Plan's fiduciaries or trustees, (ii) the Transfer is made in accordance with applicable securities laws and (iii) the Transfer is otherwise in compliance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Appendix B. No Transfer will be effectuated except by registration of the Transfer on the Company books. Each transferee must agree to be bound by these restrictions and the terms of the Operative Documents and all other obligations as a shareholder in the Company.

(2) The Investor is aware and understands that there are other substantial restrictions on the transferability of Shares or Capital Commitment under this Subscription Agreement, the Operative Documents and under applicable law including, but not limited to, the fact that (a) there is no established market for the Shares and it is possible that no public market for the Shares will develop; (b) the Shares are not currently, and Investors have no rights to require that the Shares be, registered under the 1933 Act

or the securities laws of the various states of the United States or any non-U.S. jurisdiction and therefore cannot be transferred unless subsequently registered or unless an exemption from such registration is available; and (c) the Investor may have to hold the Shares herein subscribed for and bear the economic risk of this investment indefinitely, and it may not be possible for the Investor to liquidate its investment in the Company. The Investor acknowledges that it has no need for liquidity in this investment, has the ability to bear the economic risk of this investment, has the ability to retain its Shares for an indefinite period and at the present time and in the foreseeable future can afford a complete loss of this investment.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Subscription Agreement, the Investor covenants that it will not Transfer all or any part of the Shares or its Capital Commitment (or purport to do so) if such Transfer would cause (A) the Company or the Adviser to be in violation of the U.S. Bank Secrecy Act, as amended, the U.S. Money Laundering Control Act of 1986, as amended, the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the “USA PATRIOT Act”), as amended, or any similar U.S. federal, state or non-U.S. law or regulation (collectively, “Anti-Money Laundering Laws”); or (B) the Shares to be held by a country, territory, entity or individual currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department (“OFAC”) or any entity or individual that resides or has a place of business in, or is organized under the laws of, a country or territory that is subject to any sanctions administered by OFAC.

(4) The Investor represents that (i) it is an “employee welfare benefit plan” within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA and (ii) (a) the bank from which the Investor’s payment is being wired (the “Wiring Bank”) is located in an Approved FATF Country and (b) the Investor is a customer of the Wiring Bank.

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(5) The Company and the Adviser acknowledge and agree that, based upon the Investor’s representation that the Investor is an employee welfare benefit plan, the Investor shall not (i) be deemed to make any representations in the Subscription Agreement in respect of any Investor’s plan participants or beneficiaries (collectively, “Participants”) or the members of the Committee of the UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust (the “Committee”) or (ii) required or requested to provide any information pursuant to the Subscription Agreement to the Company or the Adviser with respect to the Participants or Committee members, except that the Investor agrees to use its good faith and reasonable efforts, consistent with its own legal obligations and internal policies, to provide information with respect to such Participants and Committee members to the Company, the Adviser or their respective affiliates if so required by law or regulation. The Investor further represents that it does not have actual knowledge that (i) the monies used to fund the Investor’s investment in the Company have been or will be derived from or related to any illegal activities, and including but not limited to, money laundering activities, and (ii) the proceeds from the Investor’s investment in the Company will be used to finance any illegal activities.

(f)

(1) If the Investor is not a natural person, (x) the Investor was not formed or recapitalized for the specific purpose of acquiring any Shares in the Company, (y) the Investor has the power and authority to enter into this Subscription Agreement and each other document required to be executed and delivered by the Investor in connection with this subscription for Shares, and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and (z) the person signing this Subscription Agreement on behalf of the Investor has been duly authorized to execute and deliver this Subscription Agreement and each other document required to be executed and delivered by the Investor in connection with this subscription for Shares.

(2) If the Investor is a natural person, the Investor has all requisite legal capacity to acquire and hold the Shares and to execute, deliver and comply with the terms of each of the documents required to be executed and delivered by the Investor in connection with this subscription for Shares.

(3) The execution, delivery and performance of this Subscription Agreement by the Investor do not and will not result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, credit agreement, note or other evidence of indebtedness, or any lease or other agreement, or any license, permit, franchise or certificate, to which the Investor is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its properties are subject, or require any authorization or approval under or pursuant to any of the foregoing, violate the organizational documents of the Investor, or violate in any material respect any statute, regulation, law, order, writ, injunction or decree to which the Investor is subject.

(4) The Investor has obtained all authorizations, consents, approvals and clearances of all courts, governmental agencies and authorities and such other persons, if any, required to permit the Investor to enter into this Subscription Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby.

(g) The Investor understands, and gives full authorization, approval and consent to, the remedies described in Section 3.01.

(h) The Investor agrees to deliver to the Company such other information as to certain matters under the 1933 Act, the 1940 Act and the U.S. Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Advisers Act”) as the Company may reasonably request (including, but not limited to, the Investor Profile Form) in order to ensure compliance with such Acts and the availability of any exemption thereunder.

(i) The Investor acknowledges and agrees that, pursuant to the Charter and the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Company and/or the Adviser have the power and discretion to make all investment decisions in accordance with the terms of the Charter and the Investment Advisory Agreement. Accordingly, the Investor acknowledges that neither the Company, the Adviser nor any affiliate thereof has rendered or will render any individual investment advice or securities valuation advice to the Investor (as opposed to the Company), and that the Investor is neither subscribing for nor acquiring any Shares in reliance upon, or with the expectation of, any such individual advice to the Investor.

(j) The Investor has reviewed the Operative Documents, as each may be amended and/or restated through the closing date of the Investor’s subscription for Shares, and has read and understands the risks of, and other considerations relating to, a purchase of Shares and the Company’s investment objectives, policies and strategies, including, but not limited to, the information contained in the Disclosure Package. The Investor has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that the Investor is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the prospective investment in the Shares. The Investor has evaluated the risks of investing in the Company, understands there are substantial risks of loss incidental to the purchase of Shares, and has determined that the Shares are a suitable investment for the Investor. The Investor has no need for liquidity in the investment, can afford a complete loss of the investment in the Shares and can afford to hold the investment for an indefinite period of time.

(k) The Investor was offered the Shares through private negotiations, not through any general solicitation or general advertising and in the state listed in the Investor’s permanent address set forth in the Investor Profile Form. Other than as set forth herein and in the Operative Documents, the Investor is not relying upon any information (including, without limitation, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine, website or similar media or broadcast over television or radio, and any seminars or meetings whose attendees have been invited by any general solicitation or advertising) provided by the Company, the Adviser, any affiliate of the foregoing or any agent of them, written or otherwise, in determining to invest in the Company and the Investor understands that the Disclosure Package and the information contained therein is not intended to convey tax or legal advice. The Investor has consulted to the extent deemed appropriate by the Investor with the Investor’s own advisers as to the financial, tax, legal, accounting, regulatory and other matters concerning an investment in Shares and on that basis understands the financial, tax, legal, accounting, regulatory and other consequences of an investment in Shares, and believes that an investment in the Shares is suitable and appropriate for the Investor.

(l) The Investor has been given the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers from, the Adviser, the Company and their respective personnel relating to the Company, concerning the terms and conditions of the purchase of Shares and other matters pertaining to this investment, and has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Company as it has considered necessary to verify the accuracy of any information provided and to make a decision to invest in the Company, and has availed itself of this opportunity to the full extent desired.

(m) No representations or warranties have been made to the Investor with respect to this investment, the Adviser or the Company other than the representations of the Company set forth herein and in the Operative Documents and the Investor has not relied upon any representation or warranty not provided herein or in the Operative Documents in making this subscription.

(n) Representations for Non-U.S. Persons:

(1) If the Investor is not a “United States Person,” as defined in Appendix C hereto, the Investor has heretofore notified the Company in writing of such status.

(2) The Investor will notify the Company immediately if the Investor becomes a United States Person.

(3) The Investor represents and warrants that the Investor is acquiring the Shares for its own account for investment purposes only and is not subscribing on behalf of or funding its commitment with funds obtained from a United States Person.

(4) Except for offers and sales to discretionary or similar accounts held for the benefit or account of a non-U.S. Person by a U.S. dealer or other professional fiduciary, all offers to sell and offers to buy the Interest were made to or by the Investor while the Investor was outside the United States and at the time the Investor’s order to buy the Shares originated (and at the time this Subscription Agreement was executed by the Investor) the Investor was outside the United States.

(o)

(1) Neither the Investor, nor any of its affiliates or beneficial owners (which for this purpose does not include the Investor’s Plan participants or beneficiaries), (A) appears on the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List of OFAC, nor are they otherwise a party with which any entity is prohibited to deal under the laws of the United States, or (B) is a person identified as a terrorist organization on any other relevant lists maintained by governmental authorities. The Investor further represents and warrants that the monies used to fund the investment in the Shares are not derived from, invested for the benefit of, or related in any way to, the governments of, or persons within, any country (1) under a U.S. embargo enforced by OFAC, (2) that has been designated as a “non-cooperative country or territory” by the Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering or (3) that has been designated by the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury as a “primary money laundering concern.” The Investor further represents and warrants that the Investor: (I) has conducted thorough due diligence with respect to all of its beneficial owners, (II) has established the identities of all beneficial owners and the source of each of the beneficial owner’s funds and (III) will retain evidence of any such identities, any such source of funds and any such due diligence. Pursuant to anti-money laundering laws and regulations, the Company may be required to collect documentation verifying the Investor’s identity and the source of funds used to acquire Shares before, and from time to time after, acceptance by the Company of this Subscription Agreement. Investor further represents and warrants that the Investor does not know or have any reason to suspect that (x) the monies used to fund the Investor’s investment in the Shares have been or will be derived from or related to any illegal activities, including, but not limited to, money laundering activities, and (y) the proceeds from the Investor investment in the Shares will be used to finance any illegal activities.

(2) The Investor will provide to the Company at any time such information as the Company determines to be necessary or appropriate (A) to comply with the anti-money laundering laws, rules and regulations of any applicable jurisdiction and (B) to respond to requests for information concerning the identity of Investor from any governmental authority, self-regulatory organization or financial institution in connection with its anti-money laundering compliance procedures, or to update such information.

(3) To comply with applicable U.S. anti-money laundering laws and regulations, all payments and contributions by the Investor to the Company and all payments and distributions to the Investor from the Company will only be made in the Investor’s name and to and from a bank account of a bank based or incorporated in or formed under the laws of the United States or that is regulated in and either based or incorporated in or formed under the laws of the United States and that is not a “foreign shell bank” within the meaning of the U.S. Bank Secrecy Act (31 U.S.C. § 5311 et seq.), as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, as such regulations may be amended from time to time.

(4) The representations and warranties set forth in this Section 4.01(o) shall be deemed repeated and reaffirmed by the Investor to the Company as of each date that the Investor is required to make a capital contribution to, or receives

a distribution from, the Company. If at any time during the term of the Company, the representations and warranties set forth in this Section 4.01(o) cease to be true, the Investor shall promptly so notify the Company in writing.

(5) The Investor understands and agrees that the Company may not accept any amounts from a prospective Investor if such prospective Investor cannot make the representations set forth in this Section 4.01(o).

(p) In the event that the Investor is, receives deposits from, makes payments to or conducts transactions relating to, a non-U.S. banking institution (a “Non-U.S. Bank”) in connection with the Investor’s investment in Shares, such Non-U.S. Bank: (i) has a fixed address, other than an electronic address or a post office box, in a country in which it is authorized to conduct banking activities, (ii) employs one or more individuals on a full-time basis, (iii) maintains operating records related to its banking activities, (iv) is subject to inspection by the banking authority that licensed it to conduct banking activities and (v) does not provide banking services to any other Non-U.S. Bank that does not have a physical presence in any country and that is not a registered affiliate.

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(q) The Investor agrees and acknowledges that, among other remedial measures, (A) in order to comply with governmental regulations, if the Company determines in its sole discretion that such action is in the best interests of the Company, the Company may “freeze the account” of the Investor, either by prohibiting additional investments by the Investor, segregating assets of the Investor and/or suspending other rights the Investor may have under the Operative Documents and (B) the Company may be required to report such action or confidential information relating to the Investor (including without limitation, disclosing the Investor’s identity) to regulatory authorities.

(r) None of the information concerning the Investor nor any statement, certification, representation or warranty made by the Investor in this Subscription Agreement or in any document required to be provided under this Subscription Agreement (including, without limitation, the Investor Profile Form) and any forms W-9 or W-8 (W-8BEN, W-8BEN-E, W-8IMY, W-8ECI or W-8EXP) contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained therein or herein not misleading.

(s) The Investor agrees that the foregoing certifications, representations, warranties, covenants and agreements shall survive the acceptance of this subscription, the first Drawdown Date and the dissolution of the Company, without limitation as to time. Without limiting the foregoing, the Investor agrees to give the Company prompt written notice in the event that any statement, certification, representation or warranty of the Investor contained in this Article IV or any information provided by the Investor herein or in any document required to be provided under this Subscription Agreement (including, without limitation, the Investor Profile Form and any forms W-9 or W-8 (W-8BEN, W-8BEN-E, W-8IMY and W-8EXP)) ceases to be true at any time following the date hereof.

(t) The Investor agrees to provide such information and execute and deliver such documents as the Company or the Adviser may reasonably request to verify the accuracy of the Investor’s representations and warranties herein or to comply with any law or regulation to which the Company, the Adviser or a portfolio company may be subject.

(u) The Investor understands that the Company intends to file elections to be treated as (i) a business development company under the 1940 Act and (ii) a regulated investment company within the meaning of Section 851 of the Code, for U.S. federal income tax purposes; pursuant to those elections, the Investor will be required to furnish certain information to the Company as required under Treasury Regulations § 1.852-6(a) and other regulations. If the Investor is unable or refuses to provide such information directly to the Company, the Investor understands that it will be required to include additional information on its income tax return as provided in Treasury Regulation § 1.852-7. The Company has filed a registration statement on Form 10 (the “Form 10”) for the common stock with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “1934 Act”). The Form 10 is not the offering document pursuant to which the Company is conducting this offering and may not include all information regarding the Company contained in the Disclosure Package or other Operative Documents; accordingly, Investors should rely exclusively on information contained in the Operative Documents, in making their investment decisions.

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(v) The Investor acknowledges that, in order to comply with the provisions of the U.S. Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (“FATCA”) and avoid the imposition of U.S. federal withholding tax, the Company may, from time to time, require further information and/or documentation from the Investor and, if and to the extent required under FATCA, the Investor’s direct and indirect beneficial owners (if any) (which for this purpose does not include the Investor’s plan participants or beneficiaries), relating to or establishing any such owner’s identity, residence (or jurisdiction of formation), income tax status, and other required information and may provide or disclose such information and documentation to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The Investor agrees that it shall provide such information and documentation concerning itself and its beneficial owners, if any, as and when requested by the Company sufficient for the Company to comply with its obligations under FATCA. The Investor acknowledges that, if the Investor does not provide the requested information and documentation, the Company may, at its sole option and in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity, prohibit additional investments, decline or delay any redemption requests by the Investor and/or deduct from such Investor’s account and retain amounts sufficient to indemnify and hold harmless the Company from any and all withholding taxes, interest, penalties and other losses or liabilities suffered by the Company on account of the Investor’s not providing all requested information and documentation in a timely manner, and to ensure that such withholding taxes, interest, penalties and other losses or liabilities are economically borne by the Investor. The Investor shall have no claim against the Company, the Administrator, the Adviser or any of their respective affiliates for any form of damages or liability as a result of any of the aforementioned actions in the absence of willful misconduct and/or negligence.

Section 4.02 ERISA Matters.

(a) If the Investor is a “plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA that is subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA, and/or a “plan” that is subject to the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity whose assets are treated as “plan assets” under Section 3(42) of ERISA and any regulations promulgated thereunder (each, a “Plan”), the person executing this Subscription Agreement on behalf of the Plan (the “Fiduciary”) represents and warrants that:

(1) such person is a “fiduciary” of such Plan and trust and/or custodial account within the meaning of Section 3(21) of ERISA, and/or Section 4975(e)(3) of the Code and such person is authorized to execute the Subscription Agreement;

(2) unless otherwise indicated in writing to the Company, the Plan is not a participant-directed defined contribution plan;

(3) the Fiduciary has considered a number of factors with respect to the Plan’s investment in the Shares and has determined that, in view of such considerations, the purchase of Shares is consistent with the Fiduciary’s responsibilities under ERISA. Such factors include, but are not limited to:

(i) the role such investment or investment course of action plays in that portion of the Plan’s portfolio that the Fiduciary manages;

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(ii) whether the investment or investment course of action is reasonably designed as part of that portion of the portfolio managed by the Fiduciary to further the purposes of the Plan, taking into account both the risk of loss and the opportunity for gain that could result therefrom;

(iii) the composition of that portion of the portfolio that the Fiduciary manages with regard to diversification;

(iv) the liquidity and current rate of return of that portion of the portfolio managed by the Fiduciary relative to the anticipated cash flow requirements of the Plan;

(v) the projected return of that portion of the portfolio managed by the Fiduciary relative to the funding objectives of the Plan; and

(vi) the risks associated with an investment in the Company and the fact that the Investor has only limited withdrawal rights.

(4) the investment in the Company and the appointment of the Adviser as an “investment manager” within the meaning of Section 3(38) of ERISA have been duly authorized under, and conform in all respects to, the documents governing the Plan and the Fiduciary;

(5) the Fiduciary is: (a) responsible for the decision to invest in the Company; (b) independent of the Adviser and the Company; and (c) qualified to make such investment decision;

(6) if the investing Plan is an ERISA Plan, then, in the event that, and during any period when, the assets of the Company are treated as “plan assets” of such investing ERISA Plan, the investment in the Company constitutes the appointment by the Fiduciary, in accordance with the written instruments governing the investing ERISA Plan, of the Adviser (who hereby acknowledges its status as a fiduciary under Section 3(21) of ERISA) as an “investment manager” as defined in Section 3(38) of ERISA, with respect to the assets of such ERISA Plan that are invested in the Company;

(7) (a) none of the Adviser, any of its employees or affiliates: (i) manages any part of the Investor’s investment portfolio on a discretionary basis; (ii) regularly gives investment advice with respect to the assets of the Investor; (iii) has an agreement or understanding, written or unwritten, with the Investor under which the latter receives information, recommendations or advice concerning investments that are used as a primary basis for the Investor’s investment decisions; or (iv) has an agreement or understanding, written or unwritten, with the Investor under which the latter receives individualized investment advice concerning the Investor’s assets; OR

(b) (i) the Fiduciary, who is independent of the Adviser has studied the Disclosure Package and has made an independent decision to purchase Shares solely on the basis of the information contained in the Disclosure Package and without reliance on any other information or statements as to the appropriateness of this investment for the Investor; and (ii) the Investor represents and warrants that neither the Adviser nor any of its employees or affiliates: (A) has exercised any investment discretion or control with respect to the Investor’s purchase of Shares; (B) has authority, responsibility to give, or has given individualized investment advice with respect to the Investor’s purchase of the Shares; or (C) is the employer maintaining or contributing to such Plan; and

(8) no Plan investment guidelines, restrictions or proxy voting policies otherwise applicable to the assets of the Investor shall apply to the assets invested in the Company except as the Investor and the Adviser may agree from time to time.

(b) The Fiduciary agrees, at the request of the Company, to furnish the Company with a true and complete list of all fiduciaries with authority to select and retain the Shares as an investment for the Investor and such fiduciaries’ “affiliates”. For purposes of this item, an “affiliate” of a person includes (i) any person directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the person; (ii) any corporation, partnership, trust or unincorporated enterprise of which such person is an officer, director, 10% or more partner, or highly compensated employee as defined in Section 4975(e)(2)(H) of the Code (but only if the employer of such employee is the plan sponsor); and (iii) any director of the person, any highly compensated employee (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2)(H) of the Code) of the person, or any employee of the person who has direct or indirect authority, responsibility, or control regarding the custody, management or disposition of the plan assets involved in the transaction.

(c) The Fiduciary agrees, at the request of the Company, to furnish the Company with such information as the Company may reasonably require to establish that the purchase of the Shares by an ERISA Plan and the transactions to be entered into by the Company do not violate any provision of ERISA or the Code, including those provisions relating to “prohibited transactions” by “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons” as defined therein.

(d) The Fiduciary agrees to notify the Adviser promptly in writing should the Fiduciary become aware of any change in the information set forth in or required to be provided by Section 4.02(a).

(e) If applicable, the Investor has identified its status as a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined below) to the Company in Section IV of the Investor Profile Form. If the Investor has identified to the Company in Section IV of the Investor Profile Form that it is not currently a Benefit Plan Investor, but becomes a Benefit Plan Investor, the Investor shall forthwith disclose to the Adviser promptly in writing such fact and also the percentage of the Investor’s equity interests held by Benefit Plan Investors. For these purposes, a “Benefit Plan Investor”, as defined under Section 3(42) of ERISA and any regulations promulgated thereunder, includes (a) an “employee benefit plan” that is subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA; (b) a “plan” that is not subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA, but that is

subject to the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts and certain retirement plans for self-employed individuals; and (c) a pooled investment fund whose assets are treated as “plan assets” under Section 3(42) of ERISA and any regulations promulgated thereunder because “employee benefit plans” or “plans” hold 25% or more of any class of equity interest in such pooled investment fund. The Investor agrees to notify the Adviser promptly in writing if there is any change in the percentage of the Investor’s assets that are treated as “plan assets” for the purpose of Section 3(42) of ERISA and any regulations promulgated thereunder as set forth in Section IV of the Investor Profile Form.

(f) If the Investor is an insurance company and is investing the assets of its general account (or the assets of a wholly owned subsidiary of its general account) in the Company, it has identified in Section IV of the Investor Profile Form whether the assets underlying the general account constitute “plan assets” within the meaning of Section 401(c) of ERISA. The Investor agrees to promptly notify the Adviser in writing if there is a change in the percentage of the general account’s assets that constitute “plan assets” within the meaning of Section 401(c) of ERISA and shall disclose such new percentage ownership.

(g) The Adviser represents that, after giving effect to the Investors’ investment, the assets of the Company will not be treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA.

(h) The Adviser agrees to provide the Investor with, as applicable (1) an initial opinion of law that the Company should qualify as a “venture capital operating company” (“VCOC”) and an annual VCOC certification that has been created after consultation with the Company’s ERISA counsel and that provides the Investor with sufficient detail to evaluate the plan asset status of the Company, or (2) an initial and annual certificate that participation in the Company by Benefit Plan Investors is not “significant” within the meaning of ERISA’s plan asset regulation.

(i) The Adviser will immediately inform the Investor if there is a substantial likelihood that the assets of the Company will be treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA.

(j) The Adviser agrees that, during any period in which the assets of the Company are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, the Adviser shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that the Adviser (i) is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act and (ii) is a “qualified professional asset manager” within the meaning of Part VI of Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 84-14 (a “QPAM”). The Adviser further agrees that during any period in which the assets of the Company are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA (y) the Adviser is a fiduciary under ERISA and shall satisfy the requirements to be an “investment manager” (as that term is defined in Section 3(38) of ERISA) with respect to the Investor; and (z) the Adviser shall comply with the fiduciary requirements of Part 4 of Title I of ERISA in the management of the Company, including, but not limited to, the indicia of ownership obligations set forth in Section 404(b) of ERISA and the prohibited transaction provisions contained in Section 406 of ERISA.

(k) The Adviser confirms that (i) the Investor shall not be obligated in connection with any borrowing by the Company, to (A) provide, execute or deliver any guaranty, warranty or indemnity, (B) deliver financial information to the Adviser or any lender which is not generally available to the public, or (C) execute or deliver any document, agreement, instrument or certificate which is inconsistent with the Investor’s rights and obligations under the Subscription Agreement, the Operative Documents, or applicable law, including ERISA; and (ii) the Investor shall not be obligated to provide for the benefit of any lender under any borrowing by the Company any opinions or certificates of counsel.

(l) The Adviser agrees that notwithstanding anything in the Operative Documents to the contrary, in the event that the assets of the Company are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, the Company shall not provide exculpation to any person nor shall it indemnify any person to the extent such exculpation or indemnification would be prohibited by ERISA.

(m) Upon request, the Adviser shall provide the Investor with information concerning the Company reasonably necessary to satisfy the Investor’s annual reporting requirements under ERISA. The Adviser agrees that the Investor, as a Benefit Plan

Investor, may, without further notice to the Adviser, disclose confidential information about the Company, including but not limited to confidential information, to the extent legally necessary to satisfy the Investor's annual Form 5500 reporting requirements under ERISA.

(n) The Adviser will not provide the Investor with less detailed or less comprehensive information about the Company or investments than is provided to other Benefit Plan Investors.

(o) In the event that the Adviser exercises its rights to require the Investor to withdraw or transfer its interest in the Company in order to avoid the assets of the Company being treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA, the Adviser agrees that it shall, to the extent applicable and practicable, act equally with respect to each similarly situated Benefit Plan Investor, pro rata according to each of their interest in the Company.

Section 4.03 Investor Awareness. The Investor acknowledges that the Investor is aware and understands that:

(a) No federal or state agency, and no agency of any non-U.S. jurisdiction, has passed upon the Shares or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of this investment. The entirety of the Disclosure Package has not been filed with the SEC, any self-regulatory agency or with any securities administrator under state securities laws or the laws of any non-U.S. jurisdiction.

(b) There are substantial risks incident to the purchase of Shares, including, but not limited to, those summarized in the Disclosure Package.

(c) As described more fully in Appendix B, the Investor may not Transfer all or any fraction of its Shares or Capital Commitment without the prior written consent of the Company. There are other substantial restrictions on the transferability of Shares or Capital Commitment under the Charter, the Investment Advisory Agreement and under applicable law including, but not limited to, the fact that (i) there is no established market for the Shares and it is possible that no public market for the Shares will develop; (ii) the Shares are not currently, and Investors have no rights to require that the Shares be, registered under the 1933 Act or the securities laws of the various states or any non-U.S. jurisdiction and therefore cannot be Transferred unless subsequently registered or unless an exemption from such registration is available; and (iii) the Investor may have to hold the Shares herein subscribed for and bear the economic risk of this investment indefinitely, and it may not be possible for the Investor to liquidate its investment in the Company.

(d) With respect to the tax and other legal consequences of an investment in the Shares, the Investor is relying solely upon the advice of its own tax and legal advisors and not upon the general discussion of such matters set forth in the Disclosure Package.

(e) The Company may request such additional information as it may deem necessary to evaluate the eligibility of the Investor to acquire Shares and may request from time to time such information as it may deem necessary to determine the eligibility of the Investor to hold Shares or to enable the Company to determine the compliance of the Company or the Adviser with applicable regulatory requirements or the Company's tax status, and the Investor agrees to promptly provide such information as may reasonably be requested.

(f) All the agreements, representations and warranties made by the Investor in this Subscription Agreement (including all of its attachments) shall survive the execution and delivery hereof. The Investor shall immediately notify the Company upon discovering that any of the representations, warranties or covenants made herein was false when made or if, as a result of changes in circumstances, any of the representations, warranties or covenants made herein become false.

(g) Dechert LLP ("Dechert") acts as U.S. counsel to the Company, the Adviser and their Affiliates. In connection with this offering of Shares and subsequent advice to such persons, Dechert will not represent the Investor or any other investors in the Company in the absence of a clear and explicit written agreement to such effect between such counsel and the Investor. In the absence of such an agreement, such counsel owes no duties to the Investor or any other investor in the Company (whether or not such counsel has in the past represented, or is currently representing, such Investor or any other investor with respect to other matters). No independent counsel has been retained to represent investors in the Company.

Section 4.04 Company Representations. Each of the Company and the Adviser, as applicable, represents to the Investor as follows:

(a) The Company is empowered, authorized and qualified to enter into this Agreement, the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement, and the person signing this Agreement, the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement on behalf of the Company has been duly authorized by the Company to do so.

(b) The execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement by the Company and the performance of its duties and obligations hereunder and thereunder do not and will not result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, credit agreement, note or other evidence of indebtedness, or any lease or other agreement, or any license, permit, franchise or certificate, to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its properties are subject, or require any authorization or approval under or pursuant to any of the foregoing, violate the organizational documents of the Company, or violate in any material respect any statute, regulation, law, order, writ, injunction or decree to which the Company is subject.

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(c) The Company is not in default (nor has any event occurred which with notice, lapse of time, or both, would constitute a default) in the performance of any obligation, agreement or condition contained in this Agreement, the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, credit agreement, note or other evidence of indebtedness or any lease or other agreement or understanding, or any license, permit, franchise or certificate, to which it is a party or by which it is bound or to which its properties are subject, nor is it in violation of any statute, regulation, law, order, writ, injunction, judgment or decree to which it is subject, which default or violation would materially adversely affect the business or financial condition of the Company or impair the Company's ability to carry out its obligations under this Agreement or the Investment Advisory Agreement.

(d) There is no litigation, investigation or other proceeding pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company that, if adversely determined, would materially adversely affect the business or financial condition of the Company or the ability of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement, the Investment Advisory Agreement and the Administration Agreement.

(e) None of the information concerning the Company or the Adviser, nor any statement, certification, representation or warranty made by the Company or the Adviser in this Subscription Agreement, contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained herein not misleading.

(f) The Shares to be issued and sold by the Company to the Investor hereunder have been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered to the Investor against payment therefore as provided in this Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

(g) Notwithstanding any provision in the Operative Documents to the contrary, the Adviser agrees that the assets of the Company shall not be used to purchase insurance to insure any party indemnified by the Company pursuant to the terms of the Operative Documents, against liability for any breach or alleged breach of such party's responsibilities to the Company that would not otherwise be subject to indemnification by the Company.

(h) The Adviser agrees that so long as no litigation has commenced between an Investor and the Company or the Adviser, the Company will provide an Investor with information requested by the Investor to facilitate such Investor's ongoing operational due diligence including periodic review of portfolio companies and the internal controls and procedures utilized by the Company, upon reasonable notice and provided such information is customarily kept by the Adviser. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (a) an Investor shall have no right to obtain any information relating to any other investor or the Company's proposed investment activities; (b) information that may be subject to confidentiality agreement(s) with third parties which may preclude the Company and/or the Adviser's ability to provide such information to an Investor and (c) the Company may keep confidential from an Investor, for such periods as the Adviser deems reasonable, any information that the Adviser reasonably believes to be in the nature of trade secrets or other information (such as, for example, the identity of a Company's portfolio positions) the disclosure of which the Adviser in good faith believes is not in the Company's best interests or could damage the Company or its business.

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(i) The Company shall not commence any investment activities until the Company's Form 10 shall have become effective under the 1934 Act.

Article V.

Section 5.01 Power of Attorney.

(a) The Investor, by its execution hereof, hereby irrevocably makes, constitutes and appoints the Company as its true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution and full power and authority in its name, place and stead, to make, execute, sign, acknowledge, swear to, record and file:

(1) any and all filings required to be made by the Investor under the 1934 Act with respect to any of the Company's securities which may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Investor under the 1934 Act;

(2) all certificates and other instruments deemed necessary by the Company in order for the Company to enter into any borrowing or pledging arrangement;

(3) all certificates and other instruments deemed necessary by the Company to comply with the provisions of this Subscription Agreement and applicable law or to permit the Company to become or to continue as a business development corporation; and

(4) all other instruments or papers not inconsistent with the terms of this Subscription Agreement which may be required by law to be filed on behalf of the Company.

(b) With respect to the Investor and the Company, the foregoing power of attorney:

(1) is coupled with an interest and shall be irrevocable;

(2) may be exercised by the Company either by signing separately as attorney-in-fact for the Investor or, after listing all of the Investors executing an instrument, by a single signature of the Company acting as attorney-in-fact for all of them;

(3) shall survive the assignment by the Investor of the whole or any fraction of its Shares;

(4) shall terminate concurrently with the termination of the Capital Commitment, in accordance with Section 2.01(e); and

(5) may not be used by the Company in any manner that is inconsistent with the terms of this Subscription Agreement and any other written agreement between the Company and the Investor.

(6) the foregoing power of attorney is and shall be limited to the purposes set forth in this Section 5.01. The Adviser confirms that the power of attorney rights granted to the Company are intended to be ministerial in scope and are not intended to be a general grant of power to independently exercise discretionary judgment on behalf of the Investor. The Adviser further agrees that any exercise of any "power of attorney" by the Company which contravenes any federal, state, or local law or any policy to which the Investor is or may become subject is not authorized by the Investor and no such exercise shall be deemed valid.

Article VI.

Section 6.01 Initial Public Offering. The Company shall not undertake an initial public offering of the Shares or a listing of the Shares on a national securities exchange, including any transactions in anticipation or furtherance thereof, without the prior consent or approval of a majority of the Company's then outstanding Shares.

Section 6.02 Indemnity.

(a) The Investor understands that the information provided herein (including the Investor Profile Form) shall be relied upon by the Company for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the Investor to purchase Shares. To the fullest extent permitted under applicable law, the Investor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, the Adviser, the Administrator, and their affiliates and each partner, member, officer, director, employee and agent thereof, from and against any loss, damage or liability due to or arising out of a material breach of any representation, warranty or agreement of the Investor contained in this Subscription Agreement (including the Investor Profile Form) or in any other document provided by the Investor to the Company or in any agreement executed by the Investor in connection with the Investor's investment in Shares. The obligation of the Investor to indemnify each Indemnified Party pursuant to this Section 6.02(a) shall not exceed the amount of the Investors aggregate Capital Commitment.

(b) To the fullest extent permitted under applicable law, the Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Investor its affiliates and each partner, member, officer, director, employee and agent thereof, from and against any loss, damage or liability due to or arising out of a breach of any representation, warranty or agreement of the Company contained in this Subscription Agreement or in any other document provided by the Company to the Investor or in any agreement executed by the Company in connection with the Investor's investment in Shares.

Section 6.03 Acceptance or Rejection.

(a) At any time prior to the Closing Date, notwithstanding the Investor's prior receipt of a notice of acceptance of the Investor's subscription, the Company shall have the right to accept an amount equal to or less than the subscribed amount, or reject this subscription, for any reason whatsoever.

(b) In the event of rejection of this subscription, the Company promptly thereupon shall return to the Investor the copies of this Subscription Agreement and any other documents submitted herewith (but the Company shall have the right to retain a photocopy for its records), and this Subscription Agreement shall have no further force or effect thereafter.

Section 6.04 Modification. Neither this Subscription Agreement nor any provisions hereof shall be modified, changed, discharged, waived or terminated except by an instrument in writing signed by the party against whom any modification, change, discharge, waiver or termination is sought.

Section 6.05 Notices. All notices, consents, requests, demands, offers, reports, and other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Subscription Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given, made or delivered (and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made or delivered upon receipt) by personal hand-delivery, by facsimile transmission, by electronic mail, by mailing the same in a sealed envelope, registered first-class mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or by air courier guaranteeing overnight delivery, addressed, if to the Company, to:

Brightwood Capital Corporation I
Attn: Darilyn Olidge, Esq.
810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10019

and, if to the Investor, to the address set forth in the Investor Profile Form. The Company or the Investor may change its address by giving notice to the other in the manner described herein.

Section 6.06 Counterparts. This Subscription Agreement may be executed in multiple counterpart copies, each of which will be considered an original and all of which constitute one and the same instrument binding on all the parties, notwithstanding that all parties are not signatories to the same counterpart.

Section 6.07 Successors. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Subscription Agreement and all of the terms and provisions hereof will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors, trustees and legal representatives. If the Investor is more than one person, the obligation of the Investor shall be joint and several and the agreements, representations, warranties, and acknowledgments herein contained will be deemed to be made by and be binding upon each such person and such person's heirs, executors, administrators, successors, trustees and legal representatives.

Section 6.08 Assignability. This Subscription Agreement is not transferable or assignable by the Investor. Any purported assignment of this Subscription Agreement will be null and void.

Section 6.09 Entire Agreement; No Third Party Beneficiaries. This Subscription Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, supersedes any prior agreement or understanding among them with respect to such subject matter, and is not intended to confer upon any person other than the parties hereto and any lender under a Subscription Facility any rights or remedies hereunder. The foregoing limitation, however, shall not prohibit any Other Investor from enforcing Section 3.01(b) against any defaulting Investor.

Section 6.10 APPLICABLE LAW. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PLACE WHERE THIS SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT MAY BE EXECUTED BY ANY OF THE PARTIES HERETO, THE PARTIES EXPRESSLY AGREE THAT THIS SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS FORMED AND TO BE PERFORMED ENTIRELY WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE CHOICE OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF TO THE EXTENT SUCH PRINCIPLES WOULD REQUIRE OR PERMIT THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION, AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW, INCLUDING ERISA. TO THE EXTENT THAT THERE IS A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND SUCH APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW, THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF FEDERAL LAW SHALL CONTROL.

Section 6.11 Jurisdiction; Venue. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the sole and exclusive forum for any action, suit or proceeding with respect to this Subscription Agreement shall be a federal or state court located in the state of Michigan, *provided* that to the extent the appropriate court located in the state of Michigan determines that it does not have jurisdiction over such action, then the sole and exclusive forum shall be any federal or state court located in the state of Michigan, and each party hereto, to the fullest extent permitted by law, hereby irrevocably waives any objection that it may have, whether now or in the future, to the laying of venue in, or to the jurisdiction of, any and each of such courts for the purposes of any such action, suit or proceeding and further waives any claim that any such action, suit or proceeding has been brought in an inconvenient forum, and each party hereto hereby submits to such jurisdiction and consents to process being served in any such action, suit or proceeding, without limitation, by United States mail addressed to the party at the parties address specified herein or in the Investor Profile Form. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

Section 6.12 Confidentiality.

(a) The Investor acknowledges that the Disclosure Package, the Subscription Documents and the other Operative Documents and other information relating to the Company has been submitted to the Investor on a confidential basis for use solely in connection with the Investor's consideration of the purchase of Shares. The Investor also acknowledges that it may receive or have access to confidential proprietary information concerning the Company, including, without limitation, portfolio positions, valuations, information regarding potential investments, financial information, trade secrets and the like which is proprietary in nature and non-public. The Investor agrees that, without the prior written consent of the Company (which consent will not be unreasonably withheld by the Company), the Investor shall not (a) reproduce the Disclosure Package (including any of the contents thereof) or any other information relating to the Company, in whole or in part, or (b) disclose the Disclosure Package or any other information relating to the Company to any person who is not an officer or employee of the Investor who is involved in its investments, or partner (general or limited) or affiliate of the Investor (it being understood and agreed that if the Investor is a pooled investment fund, it shall only be permitted to disclose the Disclosure Package or other information related to the Company to its limited partners if the Investor has required its limited partners to enter into confidentiality undertakings no less onerous than the provisions of this Section 6.12), except to the extent (1) such information is in the public domain (other than as a result of any action or omission of Investor or any person to whom the Investor has disclosed such information), (2) such information is required by applicable law or regulation to be disclosed or (3) it is necessary to disclose such information to the Investor's professional advisors (including the Investor's auditors and counsel), so long as such professional advisors are advised of the confidentiality obligations contained herein. The Investor further agrees to return the Disclosure Package and any other information relating to the Company if no purchase of Shares is made. The Investor acknowledges and agrees that monetary damages would not be sufficient remedy for any breach of this section by it, and that in addition to any other remedies available to the Company in

respect of any such breach, the Company shall be entitled to seek specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief as a remedy for any such breach. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Investor (and each employee, representative or other agent of the Investor) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Company; and any of the Company's transactions and all materials of any kind (including, without limitation, opinions and other tax analyses) that are provided to the Investor relating to such tax treatment and tax structure, it being understood and agreed for this purpose that (x) the name of, or any other identifying information regarding, (i) the Company or any existing or future investor (or any affiliate thereof) in the Company, or (ii) any investment or transaction entered into by the Company or (y) any performance information relating to the Company or its investments do not constitute "tax treatment" or "tax structure".

(b) The Adviser agrees, except (i) as may be required by law, applicable regulation or order of a court or other regulatory authority, (ii) to the extent reasonably calculated to advance or protect the interests of the Company, or (iii) with the written consent of the Investor, none of the Company or the Adviser shall disclose, and shall use their best efforts to cause their employees, agents, representatives and affiliates not to disclose, the participation in the Company by the Investor. None of the Company or the Adviser shall use, and shall use their best efforts to cause their employees, agents, representatives and affiliates not to use, the name of the Investor in any promotion or advertising.

Section 6.13 Necessary Acts, Further Assurances. The parties shall at their own cost and expense execute and deliver such further documents and instruments and shall take such other actions as may be reasonably required or appropriate to evidence or carry out the intent and purposes of this Subscription Agreement or to show the ability to carry out the intent and purposes of this Subscription Agreement.

Section 6.14 No Joint Liability Among Company and Adviser. The Company shall not be liable for the fulfillment of any obligation or the accuracy of any representation of the Adviser under or in connection with this Subscription Agreement, and the Adviser shall not be liable for the fulfillment of any obligation or the accuracy of any representation of the Company under or in connection with this Subscription Agreement. There shall be no joint and several liability of the Company and the Adviser for any obligation under or in connection with this Subscription Agreement.

Section 6.15 Electronic Delivery of Communications. The Investor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Company and/or the Adviser may, but is not required to, deliver and make reports, statements and other communications, including, without limitation, the Operative Documents, the Subscription Documents, Form 1099s and other tax related information and documentation ("Account Communications"), available to the Investor in electronic form, such as e-mail or by posting on a web site. It is the Investor's affirmative obligation to notify the Company in writing if the Investor's e-mail address(es) listed in the Investor Profile Form change(s). The Investor may revoke or restrict its consent to electronic delivery of Account Communications at any time by notifying the Company, in writing, of the Investor's intention to do so, and will thereafter receive such Account Communications in paper form.

Section 6.16 Survival. The representations, warranties, acknowledgments and covenants in Sections 4.03 and 4.04 and in the Investor Profile Form and the provisions of Sections 6.02, 6.10, 6.11, 6.12, 6.13, 6.14, 6.15 and 6.16 shall, in the event this subscription is accepted, survive such acceptance and the formation and dissolution of the Company.

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The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that:

1. the undersigned has carefully read and is familiar with this Subscription Agreement and the Operative Documents;
2. the information contained herein (including the appendices attached hereto) is complete and accurate and may be relied upon; and
3. the undersigned agrees that the execution of this signature page constitutes the execution and receipt of this Subscription Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Investor, intending to be legally bound, has executed this Subscription Agreement as of the date first written above.

AGGREGATE PURCHASE PRICE OF SHARES SUBSCRIBED FOR: \$ _____

[TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF INVESTOR]

By: _____
Name:
Title:

[COMMITTEE OF THE UAW RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS TRUST]

Solely for purposes of Section 4.02

By: _____
Name: [●]
Title: Chief Investment Officer

Agreed and accepted as of the date first set forth above:

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: _____
Name:
Title:

Appendix A: INVESTOR PROFILE FORM

ALL INVESTORS MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM.

Name of Investor (Please Print or Type)

Social Security Number/Tax I.D. Number

\$ _____
Amount of Capital Commitment

Is the Investor acting as Nominee? Yes No

If Yes, please provide name of underlying Beneficial Owner: _____

Type of Investor (For All Investors Other Than A Trust)

(If the Investor is acting as a Nominee for a Beneficial Owner, please check the item that best describes the Beneficial Owner)

Please check:

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Endowment | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fund of Funds | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Endowment | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit Pension Plan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation | <input type="checkbox"/> Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bank | <input type="checkbox"/> ERISA Plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Governmental Pension Plan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sovereign Wealth | <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Company |

Type of Investor (For Investors That Are A Trust)

(If the Investor is acting as a Nominee for a Beneficial Owner, and either the Nominee or the Beneficial Owner is a Trust, please check the item that best describes the Trust)

Please check:

- | | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complex Trust | <input type="checkbox"/> Grantor Trust | <input type="checkbox"/> Simple Trust |
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Please indicate if the following contact information is for _____ Nominee or _____ Beneficial Owner

Full Mailing Address (*Exactly as it should appear on labels*):

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Dr. Other _____

Telephone number

Fax number

Residence (if an individual) or Principal Place of Business (if an entity) Address (*No P.O. Boxes Please, if any*):

Telephone number

Fax number

Attention:

E-Mail Address:

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If you would like any correspondence sent to a different address or e-mail than listed on page A-2, please provide the relevant information below:

Contact Name	Contact Address / Telephone Number	Contact E-mail Address	Correspondence Type (e.g., Accounting Information, Legal Notices, Tax Information, etc.)	Primary Contact (Y/N)?

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AUTHORIZATION OF REPRESENTATIVE(S)/AGENT(S):

Set forth below are the names of persons authorized by the Investor to give and receive instructions between the Company and the Investor, together with their respective signatures. Such persons are the only persons so authorized until further notice to the Company signed by one or more of such persons.

(Please attach additional pages if needed)

Name	Signature	Email Address

Address of Authorized Representative/Agent *(No P.O. Boxes Please, if any):*

Telephone number

Fax number

BANK WIRE INSTRUCTIONS

Please list the bank account information that is being used to wire the funds for your investment, and sign below. The remitter should state in the remittance advice the full legal name(s) of subscriber(s), for ease of identification. All subscription money must originate from an account held in the full legal name of the subscriber(s). **NO 3RD PARTY PAYMENTS SHALL BE PERMITTED.**

For Subscriber’s personal account:

Intermediary US Bank Name:	
Intermediary US Bank ABA and/or Swift Code:	
Beneficiary Bank Name:	
Beneficiary Bank Street Address	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Swift Code:	
Account Name:	
Account Number:	
Reference (if required):	

For Subscriber’s account with a custodian/administrator:

Intermediary US Bank Name:	
Intermediary US Bank ABA and/or Swift Code:	
Beneficiary Bank Name:	
Beneficiary Bank Street Address	
City, State, Zip Code:	
ABA or Swift No.:	
Custodian/Administrator Account Name:	
Custodian/Administrator Account Number:	
For Further Credit Name (Subscribers Name):	
For Further Credit Account No. (Subscribers No):	
Reference (if required):	

METHOD OF DELIVERY OF ACCOUNT COMMUNICATIONS

Account Communications may be delivered via the e-mail address provided on page A-2. Should this means of transmission be unacceptable with respect to Account Communications required to be delivered in writing by law, such Account Communications will be delivered via facsimile or physical delivery if the following box is checked:

E-mail transmission is declined, please send Account Communications via facsimile or physical delivery (*e.g.*, first class mail, overnight or express courier service or similar delivery method).

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL APPROPRIATE ITEMS.

I. INVESTOR INFORMATION – (FOR U.S. PERSONS ONLY)

(A) The Investor hereby represents and warrants that:

(Please initial one and complete blanks)

_____ If the Investor is an employee benefit plan, an endowment, a foundation, a corporation,
Initial a partnership, a limited liability company, a trust or other legal entity, it:

1. is organized under the laws of: _____
has its principal place of business in: _____; and
was formed as of: _____

_____ If the Investor is an individual or beneficial ownership of the Investor is held by an
Initial individual (for example, through an Individual Retirement Account, Keogh Plan or
2. other self-directed defined contribution plan), such individual is of legal age and is a
resident of:

(B) The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) *(please initial one)* a government entity.*

(C) If the Investor is acting as trustee, custodian or nominee for a beneficial owner that is a government entity, please provide the name of the government entity:

(D) If the Investor is an entity substantially owned by a government entity (e.g., a single investor vehicle) and the investment decisions of such entity are made or directed by such government entity, please provide the name of the government entity:

Please note that, if the Investor enters the name of a government entity in this Item I(D), the Company will treat the Investor as if it were the government entity for purposes of Rule 206(4)-5 (the “Pay to Play Rule”) promulgated under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Advisers Act”).

* For these purposes, the term “government entity” means any U.S. state (including any U.S. state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands or any other possession of the United States) or political subdivision of a state, including:

- (i) any agency, authority, or instrumentality of the state or political subdivision;
- (ii) a pool of assets sponsored or established by the state or political subdivision or any agency, authority or instrumentality thereof, including, but not limited to a “defined benefit plan”, as defined in section 414(j) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a state general fund;
- (iii) a plan or program of a government entity; and
- (iv) officers, agents, or employees of the state or political subdivision or any agency, authority or instrumentality thereof, acting in their official capacity. (Note that any such officers, agents, or employees will not be considered a government entity if they are making an investment in the Company not in their official capacity.)

(E) If the Investor is (i) a government entity, (ii) acting as trustee, custodian or nominee for a beneficial owner that is a government entity, or (iii) an entity described in Item I(D), the Investor hereby certifies that:

_____ other than the Pay to Play Rule, no “pay to play” or other similar compliance obligations would
Initial be imposed on the Company, the Adviser or their affiliates in connection with the Investor’s
subscription.

If the Investor cannot make such certification, indicate in the space below all other “pay to play” laws, rules or guidelines, or lobbyist disclosure laws or rules, the Company, the Adviser or their affiliates, employees or third-party placement agents would be subject to in connection with the Investor’s subscription:

(F) The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) registered as an investment company under the Company Act (a “Registered Fund”).

(G) The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) an affiliated person* of a Registered Fund. If the Investor is an affiliated person of a Registered Fund, please provide the name of the Registered Fund:
_____.

(H) The Investor represents and warrants that it is a Permitted U.S. Person* because it is either:
(*Please initial one or leave blank, as applicable*)

_____ a U.S. Person that is exempt from payment of U.S. federal income tax.
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If the Investor initialed Item 1, please indicate below the basis on which the Investor is exempt from U.S. federal income taxation:

1. _____

OR

_____ a pass-through entity for U.S. federal tax purposes substantially all of the ownership interests in which are held by U.S. Persons that are exempt from payment of U.S. federal income tax.
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* For purposes of this item, the term “affiliated person” of another person means:

- (i) any person directly or indirectly owning, controlling, or holding with power to vote, 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of such other person;
- (ii) any person 5% or more of whose outstanding voting securities are directly or indirectly owned, controlled, or held with power to vote, by such other person;
- (iii) any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, such other person;
- (iv) any officer, director, partner, copartner, or employee of such other person;
- (v) if such other person is an investment company, any investment adviser thereof or any member of an advisory board thereof; and
- (vi) if such other person is an unincorporated investment company not having a board of directors, the depositor thereof.

For this purpose, “**control**” means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a company, whether by stock ownership, contract or otherwise, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such company. Any person who owns beneficially, either directly or through one or more controlled companies, more than 25% of the voting securities of a company is presumed to control the company. Entities that may be deemed to be under “**common control**” are those that (a) are directly or indirectly controlled by the same person or (b) have substantially the same officers and directors or managers or the same investment adviser.

* The term “Permitted U.S. Person” means a Tax-Exempt U.S. Person or a pass-through entity for U.S. federal tax purposes substantially all of the ownership interests in which are held by Tax-Exempt U.S. Persons. The term “U.S. Person” means a person described in one or more of the following paragraphs:

- (i) With respect to any person, any individual or entity that would be a U.S. person under Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act.
- (ii) With respect to individuals, any U.S. citizen or “resident alien” within the meaning of U.S. income tax laws as in effect from time to time. Currently, the term “resident alien” is defined under U.S. income tax laws to generally include any individual who (A) holds an Alien Registration Card (a “green card”) issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service or (B) meets a “substantial presence” test. The “substantial presence” test is generally met with respect to any current calendar year if (A) the individual was present in the U.S. on at least 31 days during such year *and* (B) the sum of the number of days on which such individual was present in the U.S. during the current year, $\frac{1}{3}$ of the number of such days during the first preceding year, and $\frac{1}{6}$ of the number of such days during the second preceding year, equals or exceeds 183 days.
- (iii) With respect to persons other than individuals: (A) a corporation or partnership created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States or any state; (B) a trust where (a) a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and (b) one or more U.S. Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; and (C) an estate which is subject to U.S. tax on its worldwide income from all sources.

II. INVESTOR INFORMATION – (FOR NON- U.S. PERSONS ONLY)

(A) The Investor represents and warrants that:
(Please initial one and complete blanks)

 1. If an individual, the Investor is of legal age and is a:
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citizen of: _____

resident of: _____

OR

 2. If a corporation, partnership, trust or other legal entity, the Investor:
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is organized under the laws
of: _____

has its principal place of business
in: _____

and was formed as
of: _____

(B) The Investor has received the Disclosure Package outside the United States in the following country:

(C) The Investor has signed the Subscription Agreement outside of the United States in the following country:

(D) If the Investor is an entity that has U.S. owners, please complete the following:

1. Is the Investor an entity organized principally for passive investment, such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity (other than a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organized and with its principal place of business outside the United States)?

(please check one) Yes No

2. If yes, do units of participation in the entity that are held by U.S. Persons who are not “qualified eligible persons” as defined in CFTC Rule 4.7 represent in the aggregate 10% or more of the beneficial interest in the entity, or was such entity formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. Persons in a pool with respect to which the operator is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the regulations of the CFTC by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. Persons?

(please check one) Yes No

If the Investor checked “yes” to paragraph (C)(2) above, the Investor must be able to represent and warrant to one of the following: *(please initial one)*

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(i) the Investor has total assets in excess of \$5,000,000 and was not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the securities offered; or

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(i) each of the Investor's equity owners is an accredited investor for any of the following reasons:

(a) the equity owner of the Investor has an individual net worth^{*}, or joint net worth with his or her spouse, in excess of \$1,000,000;

(b) the equity owner of the Investor has individual income^{**} (exclusive of any income attributable to his or her spouse) of more than \$200,000 in each of the past two years, or joint income with his or her spouse of more than \$300,000 in each of those years, and reasonably expects to reach the same income level in the current year;^{**} or

(c) the equity owner of the Investor is an entity with total assets in excess of \$5,000,000 and was not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the securities offered.

(E) If the Investor^{*} is an individual resident in, or an entity with a registered office in, the European Economic Area (the "EEA"), the Investor must initial one Item in this Section II(E).

RETAIL INVESTOR NOTICE: *In relation to offers in the EEA, the Interests are only available to persons capable of being categorized as "professional investors" (within the meaning of AIFMD). No person categorized as (i) a "retail client" (as defined in point (11) of Article 4(1) of EU Directive 2014/65/EU on Markets in Financial Instruments ("MiFID II")) or (ii) a "customer" (within the meaning of Directive 2002/92/EC on Insurance Mediation), where such customer does not qualify as a "professional client" (as defined in point (10) of Article 4(1) of MiFID II), may subscribe for the Interests.*

(please initial one)

* For purposes of this Subscription Agreement, the term "net worth" means the excess of total assets at fair market value, including home furnishings and automobiles, over total liabilities; *provided that*, (i) the primary residence of the equity owner of the Investor shall not be included as an asset, (ii) indebtedness that is secured by the primary residence of the equity owner of the Investor, up to the estimated fair market value of the primary residence at the time of the sale of the Interests, shall not be included as a liability (except that if the amount of such indebtedness outstanding at the time of sale of the Interests exceeds the amount outstanding 60 days before such time, other than as a result of the acquisition of the primary residence, the amount of such excess shall be included as a liability), and (iii) indebtedness that is secured by the primary residence of the equity owner of the Investor in excess of the estimated fair market value of the primary residence at the time of the sale of the Interests shall be included as a liability.

** For purposes of this Subscription Agreement, the term "individual income" means adjusted gross income, as reported for federal income tax purposes, less any income attributable to a spouse or to property owned by a spouse, increased by the following amounts (but not including any amounts attributable to a spouse or to property owned by a spouse): (i) the amount of any tax-exempt interest income under Section 103 of the Code, received; (ii) the amount of losses claimed as a limited partner in a limited partnership as reported on Schedule E of Form 1040; (iii) any deduction claimed for depletion under Section 611 *et seq.* of the Internal Revenue Code; (iv) amounts contributed to an Individual Retirement Account (as defined in the Internal Revenue Code) or Keogh retirement plan; (v) alimony paid; and (vi) any elective contributions to a cash or deferred arrangement under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code.

* For purposes of this Section, "Investor" means the person that makes the investment decision to invest in the Shares, including, but not limited to, a beneficial owner making such decision on its own behalf and a discretionary investment manager or other agent making such decision on behalf of such beneficial owner.

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The undersigned represents and warrants that the Investor is a “professional investor” (within the meaning of AIFMD) because it is any of the following:

- (a) an entity that is required to be authorized or regulated to operate in the financial markets as: (i) a credit institution; (ii) an investment firm; (iii) any other authorized or regulated financial institution; (iv) an insurance company; (v) a collective investment scheme or the management company of such a scheme; (vi) a pension fund or the management company of a pension fund; (vii) a commodity or commodity derivatives dealer; (viii) a local firm; or (ix) any other institutional investor;
- 1. (b) a large undertaking meeting two of the following three size requirements: (i) balance sheet total of €20,000,000; (ii) net turnover of €40,000,000; and/or (iii) own funds of €2,000,000;
- (c) a national or regional government, a public body that manages public debt at a national or regional level, a central bank, an international or supranational institution (such as the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the European Central Bank or the European Investment Bank) and other similar international organization; or
- (d) another type of institutional investor whose main activity is to invest in financial instruments, including an entity dedicated to the securitization of assets or other financing transactions.

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2. The undersigned cannot initial Item 1 above but wishes to be treated as a “professional investor” (within the meaning of AIFMD) by the Adviser in respect of the Investor’s investment in the Company.

If the undersigned initialed this Item, please initial one of the following:

- _____
Initial (a) The undersigned represents and warrants that the Investor is a private individual or other investor not capable of meeting the tests in Item 1 above but capable of being categorized as a “professional client” (within the meaning of MiFID II) because it satisfies at least two of the following three criteria: (i) the Investor has made significant investments in private funds at an average frequency of ten per quarter over the previous four calendar quarters; (ii) the Investor’s financial instrument portfolio, defined as including cash deposits and financial instruments, exceeds €500,000 or its equivalent in another currency at the time of subscription; and/or (iii) the Investor works or has worked in the financial sector for at least one year in a professional position that requires knowledge of investment in private funds.
- _____
Initial (b) The undersigned represents and warrants that the Investor is a UK public sector body, local public authority (including local authority pension scheme) or municipality that meets the following criteria: (i) the Investor’s financial instrument portfolio, defined as including cash deposits and financial instruments, exceeds £10,000,000 or its equivalent in another currency at the time of subscription; and (ii) at least one of the following tests is met: (A) the Investor has made significant investments in private funds at an average frequency of ten per quarter over the previous four calendar quarters; (B) the person authorized to carry out transactions on behalf of the Investor works or has worked in the financial sector for at least one year in a professional position that requires knowledge of investment in private funds; or (C) the Investor is an “administering authority” of the Local Government Pension Scheme within the meaning of the version of Schedule 3 of The Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2014 or (in relation to Scotland) within the meaning of the version of Schedule 3 of The Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2014 and is acting in that capacity.

III. INVESTOR INFORMATION – (FOR ALL INVESTORS)

(A) Was the Investor referred to the Company by a placement agent? Yes No

If yes, please provide name of placement agent: _____

(B) Does the Investor have one or more ultimate beneficiaries who (a) are entitled to 10% or more of the proceeds from this investment or (b) hold 10% or more of the control rights of the Investor? Yes No

Is the Investor or any of the ultimate beneficiaries publicly traded? Yes No

Is the Investor or any of the ultimate beneficiaries a regulated entity? Yes No

If the response to any of the above questions under this Item III(B) is “yes,” please complete Exhibit A of this Appendix A.

(C) The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) (i) a “bank holding company” (as defined in Section 2(a) of the U.S. Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the “BHCA”)), (ii) an entity that is subject to the BHCA pursuant to the U.S. International Banking Act of 1978, as amended, or (iii) an “affiliate” (as defined in Section 2(k) of the BHCA) of either of the foregoing. *The Company may request information regarding the bank holding company status of the Investor or any affiliate of the Investor.*

(D) The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) a “banking entity” (as defined in Regulation VV of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Federal Reserve System (the “Volcker Rule”).

(E) The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) a “covered fund” (as defined in the Volcker Rule).

If the Investor is a “covered fund”, please complete each of the following:

1. The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) a “covered fund” (i) for which a “banking entity” serves as “sponsor”, investment manager, investment adviser, commodity trading adviser, or (ii) that was otherwise “organized and offered” by a “banking entity” (each as defined in the Volcker Rule).
2. The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) “controlled” (as defined in the Volcker Rule) by a second “covered fund” described in clause (i) or (ii) of Item L(1) above.

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IV. ERISA INFORMATION

(A) The Investor _____ (is) _____ (is not) (*please initial one*) a “Benefit Plan Investor” as defined in Section 4.02(e) of this Subscription Agreement.

(B) If the Investor is a pooled investment fund, the Investor hereby certifies to either 1 or 2 below:

(Please initial one)

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1. Less than 25% of the value of each class of equity interests in the Investor (excluding from this computation interests held by (i) any individual or entity (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) having discretionary authority or control over the assets of the Investor, (ii) any individual or entity (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Investor and (iii) any affiliate of such individuals or entities (other than a Benefit Plan Investor)) is held by Benefit Plan Investors.

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2. Twenty-five percent or more of the value of any class of equity interests in the Investor (excluding from this computation interests held by (i) any individual or entity (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) having discretionary authority or control over the assets of the Investor, (ii) any individual or entity (other than a

Benefit Plan Investor) who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Investor and (iii) any affiliate of such individuals or entities (other than a Benefit Plan Investor)) is held by Benefit Plan Investors;

and

____% of the equity interest in the Investor is held by Benefit Plan Investors.

(C) If the Investor is an insurance company, the Investor hereby certifies to either 1 or 2 below:

(Please initial one)

Initial 1. The Investor is an insurance company investing the assets of its general account (or the assets of a wholly owned subsidiary of its general account) in the Company but none of the underlying assets of the Investor's general account constitutes "plan assets" within the meaning of Section 401(c) of ERISA.

Initial 2. The Investor is an insurance company investing the assets of its general account (or the assets of a wholly owned subsidiary of its general account) in the Company and a portion of the underlying assets of the Investor's general account constitutes "plan assets" within the meaning of Section 401(c) of ERISA; and
____% of its general account assets constitute "plan assets" within the meaning of Section 401(c) of ERISA.

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V. ACCREDITED INVESTOR STATUS

The Investor certifies that the Investor is an "accredited investor" as defined in Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act because:

(Please initial as appropriate)

(A) Individuals

Initial 1. The Investor has an individual net worth,* or joint net worth with his or her spouse, in excess of \$1,000,000; or

Initial 2. The Investor had individual income** (exclusive of any income attributable to his or her spouse) of more than \$200,000 in each of the past two years, or joint income with his or her spouse of more than \$300,000 in each of those years, and reasonably expects to reach the same income level in the current year.

(B) Corporations, Foundations, Endowments, Partnerships or Limited Liability Companies

Initial 1. The Investor has total assets in excess of \$5,000,000 and was not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the Interests offered; or

Initial 2. Each of the Investor's equity owners is an accredited investor as described in this Section III. *The Adviser, in its sole discretion, may request information regarding the basis on which such equity owners are accredited investors.*

(C) Employee Benefit Plans

Initial 1. The Investor is an employee benefit plan within the meaning of ERISA, and the decision to invest in the Company was made by a plan fiduciary (as defined in Section 3(21) of ERISA), which is either a bank, savings and loan association, insurance company or registered investment adviser. The name of such plan fiduciary is _____ is : _____ ; or

* For purposes of this Subscription Agreement, the term “net worth” means the excess of total assets at fair market value, including home furnishings and automobiles, over total liabilities; *provided* that, (i) the Investor’s primary residence shall not be included as an asset, (ii) indebtedness that is secured by the Investor’s primary residence, up to the estimated fair market value of the primary residence at the time of the sale of the Interests, shall not be included as a liability (except that if the amount of such indebtedness outstanding at the time of sale of the Interests exceeds the amount outstanding 60 days before such time, other than as a result of the acquisition of the primary residence, the amount of such excess shall be included as a liability), and (iii) indebtedness that is secured by the Investor’s primary residence in excess of the estimated fair market value of the primary residence at the time of the sale of the Interests shall be included as a liability.

** For purposes of this Subscription Agreement, the term “individual income” means adjusted gross income, as reported for federal income tax purposes, less any income attributable to a spouse or to property owned by a spouse, increased by the following amounts (but not including any amounts attributable to a spouse or to property owned by a spouse): (i) the amount of any tax-exempt interest income under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code, received; (ii) the amount of losses claimed as a limited partner in a limited partnership as reported on Schedule E of Form 1040; (iii) any deduction claimed for depletion under Section 611 *et seq.* of the Internal Revenue Code; (iv) amounts contributed to an Individual Retirement Account (as defined in the Internal Revenue Code) or Keogh retirement plan; (v) alimony paid; and (vi) any elective contributions to a cash or deferred arrangement under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code.

_____ 2. The Investor is an employee benefit plan within the meaning of ERISA and has total assets in excess of \$5,000,000; or
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_____ 3. The Investor is a plan established and maintained by a state, its political subdivisions, or any agency or instrumentality
Initial of a state or its political subdivisions for the benefit of its employees, and has total assets in excess of \$5,000,000.

(D) Individual Retirement Accounts, Keogh Plans and Other Self-Directed Defined Contribution Plans

_____ The Investor is an individual retirement account, Keogh Plan or other self-directed defined contribution plan in which
Initial a participant may exercise control over the investment of assets credited to his or her account and the investing participant is an accredited investor because such participant has an individual net worth, or joint net worth with his or her spouse, in excess of \$1,000,000 or has had an individual income of more than \$200,000 in each of the past two years, or joint income with his or her spouse of more than \$300,000 in each of those years, and reasonably expects to reach the same income level in the current year. *The Adviser, in its sole discretion, may request information regarding the basis on which such participants are accredited investors.*

(E) Section 501(c)(3) Organizations

_____ The Investor is an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, was not formed for the
Initial specific purpose of acquiring the Interests offered and has total assets in excess of \$5,000,000.

(F) Trusts

_____ The Investor has total assets in excess of \$5,000,000, was not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the Interests
Initial offered and its purchase is directed by a sophisticated person. *As used in the foregoing sentence, a “sophisticated person” is one who has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the prospective investment; or*

_____ The trustee or a co-trustee of the Investor is: (a) a bank as defined in Section 3(a)(2) of the Securities Act, a savings
Initial and loan association, or other institution as defined in Section 3(a)(5)(A) of the Securities Act; (b) acting in a fiduciary capacity; and (c) subscribing for the purchase of the Interests on behalf of the Investor or directing the Investor to purchase the Interests; or

_____ Initial 3. The Investor is a revocable trust that may be amended or revoked at any time by the grantors thereof and all of the grantors are accredited investors as described herein. *The Adviser, in its sole discretion, may request information regarding the basis on which such grantors are accredited investors.*

(G) Banks, Savings and Loans and Similar Institutions

_____ Initial The Investor is a bank as defined in Section 3(a)(2) of the Securities Act or a savings and loan association, or other institution as defined in Section 3(a)(5)(A) of the Securities Act acting in its individual capacity.

(H) Insurance Companies

_____ Initial The Investor is an insurance company as defined in Section 2(13) of the Securities Act.

Exhibit A

BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

Instructions: Please complete and return this Exhibit A and provide the name of every person who is directly or indirectly through intermediaries, the beneficial owner of 10% or more of any voting or non-voting class of equity interests of the Investor (or if an LP or LLC, holds 10% or more of the Investor). **If there is insufficient space in the chart, please include additional sheets of paper with the relevant information.**

<u>Full Legal Name</u>	If the Investor or Any of the 10% Beneficial Owners Is Publicly Traded, Please Identify the Exchange for the Public Trading.	If the Investor or Any of the 10% Beneficial Owners Is a Regulated Entity, Please Identify Regulator and Jurisdiction.

Appendix B: Transfer Restrictions

No Transfer of the Investor's Capital Commitment or all or any fraction of the Investor's Shares may be made without (i) registration of the Transfer on the Company books and (ii) the prior written consent of the Adviser which, with respect to a Plan, will not be withheld unreasonably in the case of a change of the Plan's fiduciaries or trustees. In any event, the consent of the Adviser may be withheld (x) if the creditworthiness of the proposed transferee, as determined by the Adviser in its sole discretion, is not sufficient to satisfy all obligations under the Subscription Agreement, (y) if the Company's operations would likely be materially and adversely affected by the Transfer, or if such Transfer would raise legal, regulatory or competitive concerns for either the Company or the parties involved or (z) unless, in the opinion of counsel (who may be counsel for the Company or the Investor) satisfactory in form and substance to the Company:

- such Transfer would not violate the Securities Act or any state (or other jurisdiction) securities or "Blue Sky" laws applicable to the Company or the Shares to be Transferred; and
- such Transfer would not give rise to a "prohibited transaction" under Section 406 of ERISA or the Code or the regulations promulgated thereunder.

The Investor agrees that it will pay all reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Company in connection with any Transfer of all or any fraction of its Shares, prior to the consummation of such Transfer.

Any person that acquires all or any fraction of the Shares of the Investor in a Transfer permitted under this Appendix B shall be obligated to pay to the Company the appropriate portion of any amounts thereafter becoming due in respect of the Capital Commitment committed to be made by its predecessor in interest. The Investor agrees that, notwithstanding the Transfer of all or any fraction of its Shares, as between it and the Company, it will remain liable for its Capital Commitment and for all payments of any Drawdown Purchase Price required to be made by it (without taking into account the Transfer of all or a fraction of such Shares) prior to the time, if any, when the purchaser, assignee or transferee of such Shares, or fraction thereof, becomes a holder of such Shares.

The Company shall not recognize for any purpose any purported Transfer of all or any fraction of the Shares and shall be entitled to treat the transferor of Shares as the absolute owner thereof in all respects, and shall incur no liability for distributions or dividends made in good faith to it, unless the Company shall have given its prior written consent thereto and there shall have been filed with the Company a dated notice of such Transfer, in form satisfactory to the Company, executed and acknowledged by both the seller, assignor or transferor and the purchaser, assignee or transferee, and such notice (i) contains the acceptance by the purchaser, assignee or transferee of all of the terms and provisions of this Subscription Agreement and its agreement to be bound thereby, and (ii) represents that such Transfer was made in accordance with this Subscription Agreement, the provisions of the Disclosure Package and all applicable laws and regulations applicable to the transferee and the transferor.

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Appendix C: United States Person

The term "United States Person" means a person described in one or more of the following paragraphs:

1. With respect to any person, any individual or entity that would be a United States Person under Regulation S promulgated under the 1933 Act. The Regulation S definition is set forth below.

With respect to individuals, any U.S. citizen or "resident alien" within the meaning of US income tax laws as in effect from time to time. Currently, the term "resident alien" is defined under U.S. income tax laws to generally include any individual who (i) holds an Alien Registration Card (a "green card") issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service or (ii) meets a "substantial presence" test. The "substantial presence" test is generally met with respect to any current calendar year if (a) the individual was present in the U.S. on at least 31 days during such year and (b) the sum of the number of days on which such individual was present in the U.S. during the current year, 1/3 of the number of such days during the first preceding year, and 1/6 of the number of such days during the second preceding year, equals or exceeds 183 days.
3. With respect to persons other than individuals:

- a. a corporation or partnership created or organized in the United States or under the laws of any political subdivision thereof;
- b. a trust where (a) a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and (b) one or more United States Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; and
- c. an estate which is subject to U.S. tax on its worldwide income from all sources.

Set forth below is the definition of “United States Person” contained in Regulation S under the 1933 Act.

1. “United States Person” means:

- a. Any natural person resident in the United States;
- b. Any partnership or corporation organized or incorporated under the laws of the United States;
- c. Any estate of which any executor or administrator is a United States Person;
- d. Any trust of which any trustee is a United States Person;

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- e. Any agency or branch of a non-United States entity located in the United States;
- f. Any non-discretionary account or similar account (other than an estate or trust) held by a dealer or other fiduciary for the benefit of a United States Person;
- g. Any discretionary account or similar account (other than an estate or trust) held by a dealer or other fiduciary organized, incorporated, or (if an individual) resident in the United States; and
- h. Any partnership or corporation if: (A) organized or incorporated under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the United States; and (B) formed by a United States Person principally for the purpose of investing in securities not registered under the Securities Act unless it is organized or incorporated, and owned, by “accredited investors” (as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act) who are not natural persons, estates or trusts.

2. The following are not “United States Persons”

- a. any discretionary account or similar account (other than an estate or trust) held for the benefit or account of a non-United States Person by a dealer or other professional fiduciary organized, incorporated, or (if an individual) resident in the United States shall not be deemed to be a “United States Person”;
- b. any estate of which any professional fiduciary acting as executor or administrator is a United States Person shall not be deemed to be a “United States Person” if: (i) an executor or administrator of the estate who is not a United States Person has sole or shared investment discretion with respect to the assets of the estate; and (ii) the estate is governed by laws other than those of the United States;
- c. any trust of which any professional fiduciary acting as trustee is a United States Person shall not be deemed to be a “United States Person” if a trustee who is not a United States Person has sole or shared investment discretion with respect to the trust assets, and no beneficiary of the trust (and no settlor if the trust is revocable) is a United States Person;
- d. an employee benefit plan established and administered in accordance with (i) the laws of a country other than the United States and (ii) the customary practices and documentation of such country, shall not be deemed to be a “United States Person”; and

- e. any agency or branch of a United States Person located outside the United States shall not be deemed a “United States Person” if: the agency or branch (i) operates for valid business reasons, (ii) is engaged in the business of insurance or banking, and (iii) is subject to substantive insurance or banking regulation, respectively, in the jurisdiction where located.

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- f. none of the International Monetary Fund, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the African Development Bank, the United Nations, or their agencies, affiliates and pension plans, or any other similar international organization, or its agencies, affiliates and pension plans, shall be deemed to be a “United States Person”.

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Appendix D: Additional Commitment Form

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor

New York, NY 10019

Telephone: **646-957-9525**

E-mail: [●]

Dear Sir/Madam:

The undersigned wishes to make an additional capital commitment to **Brightwood Capital Corporation I** (the “**Company**”). The amount to be committed (“**Additional Capital Commitment**”) is: \$_____.

The undersigned acknowledges and agrees: (i) that the undersigned is making the Additional Capital Commitment on the terms and conditions contained in the subscription agreement, dated _____, 20____, previously executed by the undersigned and accepted by the Company, as the same may be updated or modified from time to time (the “**Subscription Agreement**”); (ii) that the representations, warranties and covenants of the undersigned contained in the Subscription Agreement are true and correct in all material respects as of the date set forth below; (iii) that the information provided on the Investor Profile Form in the Subscription Agreement is correct as of the date set forth below; and (iv) that the background information provided to the Company is true and correct in all material respects as of the date set forth below.

***THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO NOTIFY THE COMPANY
PROMPTLY IN WRITING SHOULD THERE BE ANY CHANGE
IN ANY OF THE FOREGOING INFORMATION.***

Dated: _____, 20__

INDIVIDUALS

ENTITIES

Signature

Print Name of Entity

Print Name

By: _____
Authorized Signatory

Additional Investor Signature

Print Name and Title

Print Name

FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY
To be completed by BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

ADDITIONAL CAPITAL COMMITMENT ACCEPTED

AS TO \$ _____

By: **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I**

By: _____

Date: _____, 20__

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Appendix E: Privacy

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Disclosure Opt Out

If you prefer that we not disclose nonpublic personal information about you to nonaffiliated third parties, you may opt out of those disclosures (other than disclosures permitted by law or the agreements governing your investment in our private funds); that is, you may direct us not to make those disclosures (other than disclosures permitted by law or the agreements governing your investment in our private funds). To opt out of disclosures to nonaffiliated third parties, you may return the Opt Out Form included in the next page to us.

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OPT OUT FORM

To be completed and returned in the event that you (i) **are an individual investor** (i.e. natural person) and (ii) desire that we not make disclosures to nonaffiliated parties discussed in the above Privacy Notice (other than disclosures permitted by law or the agreements governing your investment in our private funds).

Name of Individual Investor:

Name of Fund:

Signature:

Date:

Return to:

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I
810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10019
Attn: **Darilyn Olidge, Esq.**

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Addendum for EEA Investors
EU Regulation 2016/679 on the protection of natural persons
with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data
(“General Data Protection Regulation”)

This Privacy Notice is addressed to individuals in the EEA with whom we interact in relation to an investment in Brightwood Capital Corporation I (the “**Company**”) and is provided pursuant to the General Data Protection Regulation. Brightwood Capital Corporation I will endeavour to ensure that Personal Data that you provide to us is handled in accordance with our obligations under U.S. law and in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation as described in this notice.

1. In this Notice, the following terms have the following meaning:

“ data controller ”	means the Company entity that decides how and why personal data is processed;
“ EEA ”	means the member states of the European Economic Area;
“ personal data ”	means information from which it is possible to identify a natural person (an individual), or information from which any individual is identifiable;
“ processing ”	means anything that is done with personal data, whether or not by automated means, such as collection, recording, organisation, structuring, storage, adaptation or alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination or otherwise making available, alignment or combination, restriction, erasure or destruction.
“ processor ”	means the person or entity that processes personal data on behalf of a data controller.
“ sensitive personal data ”	means personal data about an individual’s race or ethnicity, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, trade union membership, physical or mental health, sexual life, or any other information that may be deemed to be sensitive under applicable law.

2. We will only use personal data that you provide to us, or which is otherwise obtained by us in connection with an investment in the Company, as set out in this Privacy Notice.

3. We may receive personal data about you from the following sources:

- a. when you provide it to us (*e.g.*, where you contact us via email or telephone, or by any other means);
- b. when you subscribe to one of our funds and complete a subscription agreement or other fund documents;
- c. when it is in the public domain, or obtained from searches of public registries, such as court registries or lists maintained by governmental authorities; and
- d. from third parties who provide it to us, *e.g.*, where we conduct credit reference verification, anti-money laundering checks, or where we receive your details from financial intermediaries or placement agents fund-raising on our behalf.

4. The categories of personal data that we may process are as follows:
- e. name(s); date of birth; identification, such as passport; social security number; national ID or insurance number, tax identification number; copy of passport; nationality; signatures;
 - f. address; telephone number; email address; and
 - g. business activities; financial expertise including educational qualifications and investment experience; value of financial portfolio; ability to bear losses; nature of past or current employment within or outside the financial sector.
5. We may organise the personal data we collect and combine it with other personal data that you provide or that we collect from other sources.
- We do not seek to collect or otherwise process sensitive personal data, except where we are required to comply with a legal obligation, such as, *e.g.*, where we are required to gather information about a politically exposed person or their family members and that information constitutes sensitive personal data.
6. We do not seek to collect or otherwise process sensitive personal data, except where we are required to comply with a legal obligation, such as, *e.g.*, where we are required to gather information about a politically exposed person or their family members and that information constitutes sensitive personal data.
7. We only process information about criminal offences to the extent required by applicable law.
8. The purposes for which we process personal data and the legal bases for doing so are as follows:

	Purpose	Legal Basis
a)	KYC - confirming your identity and screening against government, supranational bodies or sanctions lists or performing other on-boarding due diligence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation; • If the information constitutes sensitive personal data, we have obtained your prior consent
b)	To perform our contract, including managing the assets of the fund, providing periodic and annual reporting, responding to your queries, keeping you apprised of co-investment opportunities, and any other matters of legitimate interest to investors including other investment opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To perform our contract with you • We also have a legitimate business interest in carrying out processing for some of these purposes where we consider that, on balance, our legitimate interests are not overridden by your interests, fundamental rights or freedoms
c)	Legal compliance - detecting, investigating and preventing breaches and criminal offences, in accordance with applicable law.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation; or • We have a legitimate interest in carrying out the processing
d)	Legal proceedings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a legitimate interest in carrying out the processing for the purpose of establishing, exercising or defending our legal rights
e)	Improving our products and services,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a legitimate interest in carrying out the processing for the purpose of improving our products or services where we consider that, on balance, our legitimate interests are not overridden by your interests, fundamental rights or freedoms

Where it is necessary for the performance of our contract with you, or for our internal business processes, we may share personal data with any Net Lease Fund in which you are invested, any other funds in which you invest or apply to invest in and/or the administrator(s) of such funds. In addition, we may disclose your personal data to:

- a. credit reference agencies;
- b. anti-fraud services;
- c. governmental, tax and regulatory, or similar authorities;
- d. accountants, auditors, financial and tax advisers, lawyers and other outside professional advisers to the Company;
- e. third party processors (such as email and electronic communications retention vendors or fund administrators), located in Canada, Europe and the U.S.A., as applicable;
- f. any relevant party, enforcement agency or court, to the extent necessary for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal rights;
- g. for the prevention, investigation or prosecution of criminal offences;
- h. in connection with AML/KYC requirements; and
- i. any relevant third party acquirer(s), in the event that we sell or transfer all or any relevant portion of a Net Lease Fund in which you are an investor.

Where it is necessary for the performance of our contract with you and you choose not to provide personal data to us or do not want the Company to process this data, it may prevent the Company from allowing you to invest in a Net Lease Fund and may adversely affect the Company's ability otherwise to manage its business relationship with you.

11. Where we engage a third-party processor, the processor will be subject to contractual obligations to: (i) process in accordance with our prior written instructions; and (ii) use measures to protect the confidentiality and security of the personal data.

The Company is based in the U.S.A. The personal data you provide to us will be transferred to and stored on our servers in the U.S.A. We take reasonable steps to protect your personal data from unauthorised access and against unlawful processing, accidental loss, destruction and damage. Where we receive your personal data directly in the U.S.A. we are not responsible for its transfer outside the EEA. Personal data may be shared with fund administrators (for certain Company products) and other service providers (e.g., for email and electronic communications retention) that are located outside of the United States. Otherwise, we do not intend to transfer your personal data to other countries outside the U.S.A. Where any transfer takes place under a written contract, you have the right to request a copy of that contract and may do so by contacting the Company (see the contact details below).

13. We take reasonable steps designed to ensure that your personal data are accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date. You have the right to ask to see the data we hold about you and to ask us to: (a) make any changes to ensure that any personal data is accurate and up to date; (b) erase or stop processing any personal data we hold where there is no longer a legal ground for us to process it; and, (c) transfer such data to a third party (however we do not foresee the applicability of this right in the context of your investment in a Fund). To exercise one or more of these rights, or to ask a question about these rights, please contact the Company at the address below.

14. You have the right to ask us not to process your personal data for marketing purposes. You can exercise this right by checking a box on any communication in which we seek to gather any personal data from you for such purposes; alternatively, you can

exercise the right at any time by contacting us at the address below or returning the Disclosure Opt Out form included with this Privacy Notice.

15. The criteria for determining the duration for which we will retain your personal data are as follows:

- a. in a form that permits identification only for as long as necessary in connection with the lawful purpose for which it is held;
- b. for the period under applicable law during which any person could bring a legal claim against the Company in relation to a matter in which your personal data may be relevant; and
- c. if a legal claims were to be brought, for such additional periods as are necessary in connection with that claim.

16. Once these periods have expired, we will permanently delete or destroy the relevant personal data.

To Contact the Company:

If you would like to contact the Company about any of the information in this Notice, or if you want to make a complaint please contact:

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I
810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10019
Attn: **Darilyn Olidge, Esq.**

You can also obtain further information on data privacy and/or make a complaint by contacting your local data protection authority in your member state.

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Appendix F: Disclosure Package

1. Registration Statement on Form 10, originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on [], as amended, as of the date of this Subscription Agreement.

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INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT
BETWEEN BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I AND BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

This Investment Advisory Agreement (this “Agreement”) made effective as of this 26th day of July, 2022 (the “Effective Date”), by and between BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I, a Maryland corporation (the “Corporation”), and BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company (the “Adviser”).

WHEREAS, the Corporation is a newly organized corporation that will operate as a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company;

WHEREAS, the Corporation has filed an election to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Investment Company Act”);

WHEREAS, the Adviser is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Investment Advisers Act”); and

WHEREAS, the Corporation desires to retain the Adviser to furnish investment advisory services to the Corporation on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, and the Adviser wishes to be retained to provide such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and for other good and valuable consideration, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Duties of the Adviser.

(a) The Corporation hereby employs the Adviser to act as the investment adviser to the Corporation and to manage the investment and reinvestment of the assets of the Corporation, subject to the supervision of the board of directors of the Corporation (the “Board of Directors”), for the period and upon the terms herein set forth, (i) in accordance with the investment objective, policies and restrictions that are set forth in the Corporation’s private placement memorandum, registration statement or other filing submitted or filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission, in each case as the same may be amended from time to time, (ii) in accordance with the Investment Company Act, the Investment Advisers Act and all other applicable federal and state law, including the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), if applicable and (iii) in accordance with the Corporation’s charter and bylaws. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Adviser shall, during the term and subject to the provisions of this Agreement, (i) determine the composition of the portfolio of the Corporation, the nature and timing of the changes therein and the manner of implementing such changes; (ii) identify, evaluate and negotiate the structure of the investments made by the Corporation (including performing due diligence on prospective portfolio companies); (iii) execute, close, service and monitor the Corporation’s investments; (iv) determine the securities and other assets that the Corporation will purchase, retain or sell; and (v) provide the Corporation with such other investment advisory, research and related services as the Corporation may, from time to time, reasonably require for the investment of its funds. The Adviser shall have the power and authority on behalf of the Corporation to effectuate its investment decisions for the Corporation, including the execution and delivery of all documents relating to the Corporation’s investments and the placing of orders for other purchase or sale transactions on behalf of the Corporation. In the event that the Corporation, consistent with its investment objective and policies, determines to acquire debt financing or to refinance existing debt financing, the Adviser shall arrange for such financing on the Corporation’s behalf, subject to the oversight and approval of the Board of Directors. If it is necessary for the Adviser to make investments on behalf of the Corporation through a subsidiary or special purpose vehicle, the Adviser shall have authority to create or arrange for the creation of such subsidiary or special purpose vehicle and to make such investments through such subsidiary or special purpose vehicle in accordance with the Investment Company Act.

(b) The Adviser hereby accepts such employment and agrees during the term hereof to render the services described herein for the amounts of compensation provided herein.

(c) Subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act and ERISA, if applicable, the Adviser is hereby authorized, but not required, to enter into one or more sub-advisory agreements with other investment advisers (each, a “Sub-Adviser”) pursuant to which the Adviser may obtain the services of the Sub-Adviser(s) to assist the Adviser in fulfilling its responsibilities hereunder. Specifically, the Adviser may retain a Sub-Adviser to recommend specific securities or other investments based upon the Corporation’s investment objective and policies, and work, along with the Adviser, in structuring, negotiating, arranging or effecting the acquisition or disposition of such investments and monitoring investments on behalf of the Corporation, subject in all cases to the oversight of the Adviser and the Corporation. The Adviser, and not the Corporation, shall be responsible for any compensation payable to any Sub-Adviser. Any sub-advisory agreement entered into by the Adviser shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act, the Investment Advisers Act and other applicable federal and state law, including ERISA, if applicable.

(d) For all purposes herein provided, the Adviser shall be deemed to be an independent contractor and, except as expressly provided or authorized herein, shall have no authority to act for or represent the Corporation in any way or otherwise be deemed an agent of the Corporation.

(e) The Adviser shall keep and preserve, in the manner and for the period that would be applicable to investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act, any books and records relevant to the provision of its investment advisory services to the Corporation, shall specifically maintain all books and records with respect to the Corporation’s portfolio transactions and shall render to the Board of Directors such periodic and special reports as the Board of Directors may reasonably request. The Adviser agrees that all records that it maintains for the Corporation are the property of the Corporation and shall surrender promptly to the Corporation any such records upon the Corporation’s request, provided that the Adviser may retain a copy of such records.

2. ERISA Matters.

(a) If an investor in the Corporation is an employee benefit plan under ERISA (“Benefit Plan Investor”), then, in the event that, and during any period when, the assets of the Corporation are deemed “plan assets” (for purposes of ERISA) of such Benefit Plan Investor, the investment in the Corporation (as evidenced by the Corporation’s acceptance of such Benefit Plan Investor’s respective subscription agreement) constitutes the appointment by the Benefit Plan Investor’s authorized fiduciary of the Adviser as an “investment manager” as defined in Section 3(38) of ERISA, with respect to the assets of such Benefit Plan Investor that is invested in the Corporation.

(b) The Adviser agrees that, during any period in which the assets of the Corporation are deemed “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA, the Adviser shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that the Adviser (i) remains registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act and (ii) is a “qualified professional asset manager” within the meaning of Part VI of Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 84-14 (a “QPAM”). The Adviser further agrees that during any period in which the assets of the Corporation are deemed “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA (y) the Adviser is a fiduciary under Section 3(21) of ERISA and shall satisfy the requirements to be an “investment manager” (as that term is defined in Section 3(38) of ERISA) with respect to the Benefit Plan Investor; and (z) the Adviser shall comply with the fiduciary requirements of Part 4 of Title I of ERISA in the management of the Corporation, including, but not limited to, the indicia of ownership obligations set forth in Section 404(b) of ERISA and the prohibited transaction provisions contained in Section 406 of ERISA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Adviser will bear responsibility for the fidelity bond required under Section 412 of ERISA.

3. Corporation’s Responsibilities and Expenses Payable by the Corporation.

(a) All investment professionals of the Adviser and their respective staffs, when and to the extent engaged in providing investment advisory and management services hereunder, and the compensation and routine overhead expenses of such personnel allocable to such services, shall be provided and paid for by the Adviser and not by the Corporation. The Corporation, to the extent permitted by ERISA, if applicable, shall bear all other costs and expenses of its operations and transactions, including

those relating to: (a) organizational expenses of the Corporation; (b) calculating the net asset value of the Corporation, including the cost and expenses of any independent valuation firm; (c) fees and expenses incurred by the Adviser and payable to third parties, including agents, consultants or other advisors, in monitoring financial and legal affairs for the Corporation and in monitoring the Corporation's investments, performing due diligence on prospective portfolio companies or otherwise relating to, or associated with, evaluating and making investments, which fees and expenses include, among other items, due diligence reports, appraisal reports, any studies commissioned by the Adviser and travel and lodging expenses; (d) interest payable on debt, if any, incurred by the Corporation and expenses related to unsuccessful portfolio acquisition efforts; (e) private placements of securities of the Corporation; (f) investment advisory and management fees; (g) administration fees and expenses payable under the administration agreement dated as of [•], 2022 (as amended from time to time, the "Administration Agreement"), between the Corporation and the Corporation's administrator (the "Administrator"); (h) fees payable to third parties, including agents, consultants or other advisors, relating to, or associated with, evaluating and making investments in portfolio companies, including costs associated with meeting financial sponsors; (i) fees incurred by the Corporation for transfer agent, dividend agent and custodial fees and expenses; (j) U.S. federal and state registration and franchise fees; (k) U.S. federal, state and local taxes, fees or other governmental charges levied against the Corporation, and all expenses incurred in connection with any tax audit, investigation settlement or review of the Corporation; (l) independent directors' fees and expenses; (m) costs of preparing and filing reports or other documents required by the Securities and Exchange Commission or other regulators; (n) costs of any reports, proxy statements or other notices to stockholders, including printing costs and filing fees; (o) costs associated with individual or group stockholders; (p) costs associated with compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended; (q) the Corporation's allocable portion of any fidelity bond, insurance (including directors and officers and errors and omissions liability insurance), and any other insurance premiums; (r) direct costs and expenses of administration, including printing and filing fees, mailing, long distance telephone, copying, secretarial and other staff, independent auditors and outside legal costs; (s) proxy voting expenses; (t) all fees, costs, expenses, liabilities and obligations attributable to structuring, organizing, acquiring, managing, operating, holding, valuing, monitoring, winding-up, liquidating, dissolving and disposing of investments (including follow-on investments and refinancings (including interest on money borrowed by the Corporation or the Adviser; (u) expenses incurred in connection with the establishment, incurrence or repayment of credit facilities; expenses of portfolio tracking facilities; fees paid to third parties or to the Adviser or any affiliate to provide collateral management, debt servicing and other administrative services to special purpose vehicles that hold certain of the Corporation's portfolio investments pledged as collateral to secure credit facilities extended to finance the loan portfolio; origination fees; registration expenses; and brokerage, finder, custodial and other fees)), including the costs and expenses of any related portfolio management, portfolio loan management, monitoring or tracking tools or software (but not including any other technology or software expense); (v) legal, accounting, administration, depository, registration, auditing, consulting (including consulting and retainer fees paid to consultants performing investment initiatives and other similar consultants), broker, litigation and indemnification costs and expenses, judgments and settlements, finder, financing, financing commitment, real estate title and appraisal; and other fees and expenses (including fees, costs and expenses associated with the preparation or distribution of the Corporation's financial statements, tax returns and tax estimates or any other administrative, compliance, regulatory or investment-related reporting or filing (including any filings, notifications, reports or other regulatory requirements (other than the initial registrations, filing and compliance) contemplated by or arising under the laws of any foreign jurisdiction or any other similar law, rule or regulation (including any implementing law, rule or regulation relating to the foregoing))); (v) costs and expenses of the Advisory Committee (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any costs and expenses incurred in connection with any legal counsel retained by the Advisory Committee); (w) fees, costs, expenses, liabilities and obligations incurred in connection with transactions not consummated (including travel expenses, legal, accounting, auditing, valuation, insurance, consulting, finder, financing, appraisal, filing, printing, real estate title, survey and other fees and expenses); (x) all out-of-pocket fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Corporation, the Adviser and each of their respective managers, members, shareholders, officers and employees in connection with annual and other periodic meetings of the board of directors and any other conference or meeting with any directors; (y) private placement or finders' fees, commissions and expenses (including interest thereon) payable to a placement agent (or other similar agent) with respect to the offering, subscription or sale of interests in the Corporation; (z) all fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with the dissolution, liquidation and final winding-up of the Corporation; (aa) all fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with the organization, management, operation, dissolution, liquidation and final winding-up of any alternative investment vehicles, any special purpose vehicles; (bb) costs of complying with side letters; and (cc) any and all other expenses incurred by the Corporation or the Administrator in connection with administering the Corporation's business, including payments made under the Administration Agreement based upon the Corporation's allocable portion (subject to the review and approval of the Corporation's independent directors) of the Administrator's overhead in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement, including rent and the allocable portion of the cost of the Corporation's chief compliance officer and chief financial officer and their respective staffs.

4. Compensation of the Adviser. The Corporation agrees to pay, and the Adviser agrees to accept, as compensation for the investment advisory and management services provided by the Adviser hereunder, a base management fee (the "Base Management

Fee”), as hereinafter set forth. The Corporation shall make any payments due hereunder to the Adviser or to the Adviser’s designee as the Adviser may otherwise direct. To the extent permitted by applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable, the Adviser may elect, or adopt a deferred compensation plan pursuant to which it may elect to defer all or a portion of its fees hereunder for a specified period of time. The Adviser may agree to temporarily or permanently waive, in whole or in part, the Base Management Fee.

(a) The Base Management Fee shall be calculated as follows: (a) if the aggregate Capital Commitment of Investors is less than or equal to \$350,000,000, an annual rate equal to 0.80% of the fair value of the average gross assets of the Company associated with such Capital Commitment and (b) if the aggregate Investors’ Capital Commitment is greater than \$350,000,000, an annual rate equal to 0.70% of the fair value of the average gross assets of the Company associated with such Capital Commitment in excess of \$350,000,000. For services rendered under this Agreement, the Base Management Fee shall be payable quarterly in arrears. The Base Management Fee shall be calculated based on the fair value of the average value of the gross assets of the Company at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters. Such amount shall be appropriately adjusted (based on the actual number of days elapsed relative to the total number of days in such calendar quarter) for any share issuances or repurchases during a calendar quarter. The Base Management Fee for any partial month or quarter shall be appropriately pro-rated (based on the number of days actually elapsed at the end of such partial month or quarter relative to the total number of days in such month or quarter).

5. Covenants of the Adviser. The Adviser hereby covenants that it is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act. The Adviser hereby agrees that its activities shall at all times be in compliance in all material respects with all applicable federal and state laws governing its operations and investments, including ERISA, if applicable.

6. Excess Brokerage Commissions. The Adviser is hereby authorized, to the fullest extent now or hereafter permitted by law, including ERISA, if applicable, to cause the Corporation to pay a member of a national securities exchange, broker or dealer an amount of commission for effecting a securities transaction in excess of the amount of commission another member of such exchange, broker or dealer would have charged for effecting such transaction if the Adviser determines, in good faith and taking into account such factors as price (including the applicable brokerage commission or dealer spread), size of order, difficulty of execution, and operational facilities of the firm and the firm’s risk and skill in positioning blocks of securities, that the amount of such commission is reasonable in relation to the value of the brokerage and/or research services provided by such member, broker or dealer, viewed in terms of either that particular transaction or its overall responsibilities with respect to the Corporation’s portfolio, and constitutes the best net result for the Corporation.

7. Proxy Voting. The Adviser shall be responsible for voting any proxies solicited by an issuer of securities held by the Corporation in the best interest of the Corporation and in accordance with the Adviser’s proxy voting policies and procedures, as any such proxy voting policies and procedures may be amended from time to time. The Corporation has been provided with a copy of the Adviser’s proxy voting policies and procedures and has been informed as to how it can obtain further information from the Adviser regarding proxy voting activities undertaken on behalf of the Corporation. The Adviser shall be responsible for reporting the Corporation’s proxy voting activities, as required, through periodic filings on Form N-PX.

8. Limitations on the Employment of the Adviser. The services of the Adviser to the Corporation are not, and shall not be, exclusive. The Adviser may engage in any other business or render similar or different services to others including, without limitation, the direct or indirect sponsorship or management of other investment-based accounts or commingled pools of capital, however structured, having investment objectives similar to those of the Corporation; provided that its services to the Corporation hereunder are not impaired thereby. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit or restrict the right of any manager, partner, officer or employee of the Adviser to engage in any other business or to devote his or her time and attention in part to any other business, whether of a similar or dissimilar nature, or to receive any fees or compensation in connection therewith (including fees for serving as a director of, or providing consulting services to, one or more of the portfolio companies of the Corporation, subject at all times to applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable). So long as this Agreement or any extension, renewal or amendment hereof remains in effect, the Adviser shall be the only investment adviser for the Corporation, subject to the Adviser’s right to enter into sub-advisory agreements. The Adviser assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder. It is understood that directors, officers, employees and stockholders of the Corporation are or may become interested in the Adviser and its affiliates, as directors, officers, employees, partners, stockholders, members, managers or otherwise, and that the Adviser and directors, officers, employees, partners, stockholders, members and managers of the Adviser and its affiliates are or may become similarly interested in the Corporation as stockholders or otherwise.

Subject to any restrictions prescribed by law, including ERISA, if applicable, by the provisions of the Code of Ethics of the Corporation and the Adviser and by the Adviser's allocation policy, the Adviser and its members, officers, employees and agents shall be free from time to time to acquire, possess, manage and dispose of securities or other investment assets for their own accounts, for the accounts of their family members, for the account of any entity in which they have a beneficial interest or for the accounts of others for whom they may provide investment advisory, brokerage or other services (collectively, "Managed Accounts"), in transactions that may or may not correspond with transactions effected or positions held by the Corporation or to give advice and take action with respect to Managed Accounts that differs from advice given to, or action taken on behalf of, the Corporation; provided that the Adviser allocates investment opportunities to the Corporation, over a period of time on a fair and equitable basis compared to investment opportunities extended to other Managed Accounts. The Adviser is not, and shall not be, obligated to initiate the purchase or sale for the Corporation of any security that the Adviser and its members, officers, employees or agents may purchase or sell for its or their own accounts or for the account of any other client if, in the opinion of the Adviser, such transaction or investment appears unsuitable or undesirable for the Corporation; provided however, that to the extent that the Corporation's assets are deemed "plan assets" under ERISA, the Adviser will only co-invest in the same issuer with Managed Accounts, so long as the Corporation's and Managed Accounts' respective investments are at the same level of such security issuer's capital structure and so long as such co-investment would not otherwise constitute a "prohibited transaction" under ERISA. Moreover, it is understood that when the Adviser determines that it would be appropriate for the Corporation and one or more Managed Accounts to participate in the same investment opportunity, the Adviser shall seek to execute orders for the Corporation and for such Managed Account(s) on a basis that the Adviser considers to be fair and equitable over time. In such situations, the Adviser may (but is not required to) place orders for the Corporation and each Managed Account simultaneously or on an aggregated basis. If all such orders are not filled at the same price, the Adviser may cause the Corporation and each Managed Account to pay or receive the average of the prices at which the orders were filled for the Corporation and all relevant Managed Accounts on each applicable day. If all such orders cannot be fully executed under prevailing market conditions, the Adviser may allocate the investment opportunities among participating accounts in a manner that the Adviser considers equitable, taking into account, among other things, the size of each account, the size of the order placed for each account and any other factors that the Adviser deems relevant.

9. Responsibility of Dual Directors, Officers and/or Employees. If any person who is a manager, partner, officer or employee of the Adviser or the Administrator is or becomes a director, officer and/or employee of the Corporation and acts as such in any business of the Corporation, then such manager, partner, officer and/or employee of the Adviser or the Administrator shall be deemed to be acting in such capacity solely for the Corporation and not as a manager, partner, officer and/or employee of the Adviser or the Administrator or under the control or direction of the Adviser or the Administrator, even if paid by the Adviser or the Administrator.

10. Limitation of Liability of the Adviser; Indemnification. The Adviser (and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with the Adviser, including without limitation, the Administrator) shall not be liable to the Corporation for any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Adviser in connection with the performance of any of its duties or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise as an investment adviser of the Corporation, except to the extent specified in Section 36(b) of the Investment Company Act concerning loss resulting from a breach of fiduciary duty (as the same is finally determined by judicial proceedings) with respect to the receipt of compensation for services, and the Corporation shall indemnify, defend and protect the Adviser (and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with the Adviser, including without limitation, the Administrator, each of whom shall be deemed a third party beneficiary hereof) (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") and hold them harmless from and against all damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) incurred by the Indemnified Parties in or by reason of any pending, threatened or completed action, suit, investigation or other proceeding (including an action or suit by or in the right of the Corporation or its security holders) arising out of or otherwise based upon the performance of any of the Adviser's duties or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise as an investment adviser of the Corporation. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence of this Paragraph 9 to the contrary, nothing contained herein shall protect or be deemed to protect the Indemnified Parties against or entitle or be deemed to entitle the Indemnified Parties to indemnification in respect of, any liability to the Corporation or its security holders to which the Indemnified Parties would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence in the performance of the Adviser's duties, by reason of the reckless disregard of the Adviser's duties and obligations under this Agreement (as the same shall be determined in accordance with the Investment Company Act and any interpretations or guidance by the Securities and

Exchange Commission or its staff thereunder), or violation of applicable law, including breach of its fiduciary duties under ERISA, if applicable.

11. Effectiveness, Duration and Termination of Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective as of the date hereof. This Agreement shall continue for a term of one year, and thereafter shall continue automatically for successive annual periods, provided that such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by (a) the vote of the Board of Directors or by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation and (b) the vote of a majority of the Corporation's Directors who are not parties to this Agreement or "interested persons" (as such term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act) of any such party, in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act. This Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, upon 60 days' written notice, by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation or by the vote of the Corporation's Directors or by the Adviser. This Agreement shall automatically terminate in the event of its "assignment" (as such term is defined for purposes of Section 15(a)(4) of the Investment Company Act). The provisions of Section 10 of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and the Indemnified Parties shall remain entitled to the benefits thereof, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement. Further, notwithstanding the termination or expiration of this Agreement as aforesaid, the Adviser shall be entitled to any amounts owed under Section 4 through the date of termination or expiration and Section 10 shall continue in force and effect and apply to the Adviser and its representatives as and to the extent applicable.

12. Notices. Any notice under this Agreement shall be given in writing, addressed and delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, to the other party at its principal office.

13. Amendments. This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent, but the consent of the Corporation must be obtained in conformity with the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

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14. Entire Agreement; Governing Law. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and arrangements with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware and the applicable provisions of the Investment Company Act. To the extent the applicable laws of the State of Delaware, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the provisions of the Investment Company Act, the latter shall control.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed on the date above written.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: /s/ Russell C. Zomback

Name: Russell C. Zomback

Title: Chief Financial Officer

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

By: /s/ Sengal Selassie

Name: Sengal Selassie

Title: Managing Member

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ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT

This ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made as of the 26th day of July, 2022 by and between **Brightwood Capital Corporation I**, a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), and **Brightwood Capital Advisors LLC**, a Maryland limited liability company (the “Administrator”). The Company and the Administrator are sometimes referred to herein separately as a “party” and collectively as the “parties”.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Company is a closed-end management investment company that intends to elect to be regulated as business development company (“BDC”) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Investment Company Act”);

WHEREAS, the Company desires to retain the Administrator to provide administrative services to the Company in the manner and on the terms hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator is willing to provide administrative services to the Company on the terms and conditions hereafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Duties of the Administrator

(a) Employment of Administrator. The Company hereby employs the Administrator to act as administrator, and to furnish, or arrange for others to furnish, the administrative services, personnel and facilities described below, subject to review by and the overall control of the Board of Directors of the Company, with respect to services provided to the Company (the “Services”) for the period and on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. The Administrator hereby accepts such employment and agrees during such period to render, or arrange for the rendering of, such Services to the Company and to assume the obligations herein set forth subject to the reimbursement of costs and expenses provided for below. The Administrator and such others shall for all purposes herein be deemed to be independent contractors and shall, unless otherwise expressly provided or authorized herein, have no authority to act for or represent the Company in any way or otherwise be deemed agents of the Company; *provided, however*, that the Administrator may enter into agreements as an agent of the Company in furtherance of its responsibilities under this Agreement.

(b) Services. The Administrator shall perform (or oversee, or arrange for, the performance of) the administrative services necessary for the operation of the Company. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrator shall provide the Company with office facilities, equipment, clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such facilities and such other services as the Administrator, subject to review by the Board of Directors of the Company, the Administrator shall also, on behalf of the Company, conduct relations with custodians, depositories, transfer agents, dividend disbursing agents, other stockholder servicing agents, accountants, attorneys, underwriters, brokers and dealers, corporate fiduciaries, insurers, banks and such other persons in any such other capacity deemed to be necessary or desirable. The Administrator shall make reports to the Board of Directors of the Company of its performance of its obligations to the Company hereunder, and furnish advice and recommendations with respect to such other aspects of the business and affairs of the Company, as it shall determine to be desirable; provided that nothing herein shall be construed to require the Administrator to, and the Administrator shall not, provide any advice or recommendation relating to the securities and other assets that the Company should purchase, retain or sell or any other investment advisory services to the Company. The Administrator shall be responsible for the financial and other records that the Company is required to maintain and shall prepare, print and disseminate reports to stockholders and reports and other materials filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) or any other regulatory authority. The Administrator will provide on the Company’s behalf significant managerial assistance to those portfolio companies to which the Company is required to provide such assistance. In addition, the Administrator will assist the Company in overseeing the preparation and filing of its tax returns, and generally overseeing the payment of its expenses and the performance of administrative and professional services rendered to the Company by others.

(c) Retention of Third Party Service Providers. The Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into one or more agreements with third party service providers as an agent of the Company (including any sub-administrator) (each, a “Service Provider”) pursuant to which the Administrator may obtain the services of the Service Provider(s) to assist the Administrator in fulfilling its responsibilities to the Company hereunder; provided, however, that if the Company’s assets are treated as “plan assets” for purposes of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), the Administrator shall engage an independent third-party firm to manage all responsibility regarding valuation matters. The Company shall be responsible for any expenses incurred by the Administrator on behalf of the Company payable to any Service Provider. Any sub-administration agreement entered into by the Administrator shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act and other applicable federal and state law, including ERISA, if applicable.

2. Records

The Administrator agrees to maintain and keep all books, accounts and other records of the Company that relate to activities performed by the Administrator for the Company hereunder and will maintain and keep such books, accounts and records in accordance with the Investment Company Act. In compliance with the requirements of Rule 31a-3 under the Investment Company Act, the Administrator agrees that all records which it maintains for the Company shall at all times remain the property of the Company, shall be readily accessible during normal business hours, and shall be promptly surrendered upon the termination of the Agreement or otherwise on written request. The Administrator further agrees that all records which it maintains for the Company pursuant to Rule 31a-1 under the Investment Company Act will be preserved for the periods prescribed by Rule 31a-2 under the Investment Company Act unless any such records are earlier surrendered as provided above. Records shall be surrendered in usable machine-readable form. The Administrator shall have the right to retain copies of such records subject to observance of its confidentiality obligations under this Agreement.

3. Confidentiality

The parties hereto agree that each shall treat confidentially all information provided by a party to any other party regarding its business and operations. All confidential information provided by a party hereto, including nonpublic personal information (regulated pursuant to Regulation S-P of the SEC), shall be used by any other party hereto solely for the purpose of rendering services pursuant to this Agreement and, except as may be required in carrying out this Agreement or any other agreement between the Company, the Administrator or any of their respective affiliates, shall not be disclosed to any third party, without the prior consent of such providing party. The foregoing shall not be applicable to any information that is publicly available when provided or thereafter becomes publicly available other than through a breach of this Agreement, or that is required to be disclosed by any regulatory authority, any authority or legal counsel of the parties hereto, by judicial or administrative process or otherwise by applicable law or regulation, including ERISA, if applicable.

4. Compensation; Allocation of Costs and Expenses

In full consideration of the provision of the Services of the Administrator, to the extent permitted by ERISA, if applicable, the Company shall reimburse the Administrator for the costs and expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations and providing personnel and facilities to the Company hereunder. In addition, under such circumstances, to the extent permitted by ERISA, if applicable, the Company shall reimburse any affiliate of the Administrator for any costs and expenses incurred by such affiliate on behalf of the Administrator in connection with the Administrator’s provision of Services to the Company under this Agreement.

Except as otherwise indicated in this Section 4, the Company will bear all costs and expenses that are directly and specifically related to its operation, administration and transactions and not specifically assumed by the Company’s investment adviser (the “Adviser”), pursuant to that certain Investment Advisory and Management Agreement, dated as of [], 2022 by and between the Company and the Adviser (the “Investment Management Agreement”). Furthermore, the Company will bear its own legal and other expenses incurred in connection with the Company’s formation and organization and the offering of its shares, including external legal and accounting expenses, printing costs, travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to marketing efforts (other than any placement fees, which will be borne by the Adviser directly).

In addition to the Management Fee (as defined in the Investment Management Agreement) paid pursuant to the Investment Management Agreement, except as noted above, costs and expenses to be borne by the Company include, but are not limited to, those relating to:

- (i) all costs and expenses with respect to the actual or proposed acquisition, financing, holding, monitoring, liquidation, winding up or disposition of the Company's investments, including refinancings, whether such investments are ultimately consummated or not, including, origination fees, syndication fees, due diligence costs, broken deal expenses, bank service fees, fees and expenses of custodians, transfer agents, brokers, finders, consultants, experts, travel expenses incurred for investment-related purposes, outside legal counsel, consultants and accountants, administrator's fees of third party administrators (subject to clause (xxiii) clause below) financing costs (including interest expenses) fees paid to third parties or to the Adviser or any affiliate to provide collateral management, debt servicing and other administrative services to special purpose vehicles that hold certain of the Company's investments pledged as collateral to secure credit facilities extended to finance the Company's loan portfolio";

- (ii) expenses for liability insurance, including officers and independent directors liability insurance, cyber insurance and other insurance;
- (iii) extraordinary expenses incurred by the Company (including litigation);
- (iv) indemnification and contribution expenses *provided*, that the Company will not bear such fees, costs or expenses to the extent that the relevant conduct is not indemnifiable under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
- (v) taxes and other governmental fees and charges;
- (vi) administering and servicing and special servicing fees paid to third parties for the Company's benefit;
- (vii) the cost of Company-related operational and accounting software and related expenses;
cost of software (including the fees of third-party software developers) used by the Adviser and its affiliates
- (viii) to track and monitor the Company's investments (specifically, cost of software related to data warehousing, portfolio administration/reconciliation, loan pricing and trade settlement attributable to the Company);
expenses related to the valuation or appraisal of the Company's investments, including expenses incurred with
- (ix) respect to third party valuations (in the case that assets of the Company are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA);
- (x) risk, research and market data-related expenses (including software) incurred for the Company's investments;
fees, costs and expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred to comply with any applicable law, rule or regulation (including regulatory filings such as financial statement filings, ownership filings (Section 16 or Section 13 filings), blue sky filings and registration statement filings, as applicable) to which the Company
- (xi) is subject or incurred in connection with any governmental inquiry, investigation or proceeding involving the Company; *provided* that the Company will not bear such fees, costs or expenses to the extent that the relevant conduct is not indemnifiable under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
- (xii) costs associated with the wind-up, liquidation, dissolution and termination of the Company;

- (xiii) other legal, compliance, operating, accounting, tax return preparation and consulting, auditing and administrative expenses in accordance with this Agreement and the Investment Management Agreement and fees for outside services provided to the Company or on the Company's behalf; *provided* that if the assets of the Company are treated as "plan assets" for purposes of ERISA, the Company shall not incur such expenses or fees, if such expenses or fees arise in connection with such services, to the extent that they are performed by the Administrator (as opposed to any sub-administrator or Service Provider appointed by the Administrator);
- (xiv) expenses of the Board of Directors of the Company (including the reasonable costs of legal counsel, accountants, financial advisors and/or such other advisors and consultants engaged by the Board of Directors of the Company, as well as travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to the attendance by directors at meetings of the Board of Directors of the Company), to the extent permitted under applicable law, including ERISA, if applicable;
- (xv) annual or special meetings of the stockholders of the Company ("Shareholders");
- (xvi) the costs and expenses associated with preparing, filing and delivering to Shareholders periodic and other reports and filings required under federal securities laws as a result of the Company's status as a BDC;
- (xvii) ongoing Company offering expenses;
- (xviii) federal and state registration fees pertaining to the Company;
- (xix) costs of Company-related proxy statements, Shareholders' reports and notices;
- (xx) costs associated with obtaining fidelity bonds as required by the 1940 Act;
- (xxi) printing, mailing and all other similar direct expenses relating to the Company;
- (xxii) expenses incurred in preparation for or in connection with (or otherwise relating to) any initial public offering or other debt or equity offering conducted by the Company, including but not limited to external legal and accounting expenses, printing costs, travel and out-of-pocket expenses related to marketing efforts.

Pursuant to the Investment Management Agreement, investment-related expenses with respect to investments in which the Company invests together with one or more parallel funds (or co-investment vehicles) shall generally be allocated among all such entities on the basis of available capital for each such entity; *provided* that if the Adviser reasonably believes that such allocation method would produce an inequitable result to any such entity, the Adviser may allocate such expenses among such entities in any other manner that the Adviser believes in good faith to be fair and equitable.

5. **Limitation of Liability of the Administrator; Indemnification**

The Administrator, its affiliates and their respective officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with the Administrator, including without limitation its sole member, to the extent they are providing services for or otherwise acting on behalf of the Administrator, the Adviser or the Company, shall not be liable to the Company for any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Administrator in connection with the performance of any of its duties or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise as administrator for the Company (except to the extent specified in Section 36(b) of the Investment Company Act concerning loss resulting from a breach of fiduciary duty (as the same is finally determined by judicial proceedings) with respect to the receipt of compensation for services), and the Company shall indemnify, defend and protect the Administrator, its affiliates and their respective officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members, and any other person or entity affiliated with the Administrator, including without limitation its sole member and any person affiliated with Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC or the Adviser, each of whom shall be deemed a third party beneficiary hereof (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") and hold them harmless from and against all damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) incurred by the Indemnified Parties in or by reason of any pending, threatened or completed action, suit, investigation or other proceeding (including an action or suit by or in the right of the Company or its stockholders) arising out of or otherwise based upon the performance of any of the Administrator's duties or obligations under this

Agreement or otherwise as administrator for the Company. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence of this Section 5 to the contrary, nothing contained herein shall protect or be deemed to protect the Indemnified Parties against or entitle or be deemed to entitle the Indemnified Parties to indemnification in respect of, any liability to the Company or its security holders to which the Indemnified Parties would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence in the performance of the Administrator's duties, by reason of the reckless disregard of the Administrator's duties and obligations under this Agreement (as the same shall be determined in accordance with the Investment Company Act and any interpretations or guidance by the SEC Commission or its staff thereunder), or violation of applicable law, including breach of its fiduciary duties under ERISA, if applicable.

6. Activities of the Administrator

The services of the Administrator to the Company are not to be deemed to be exclusive, and the Administrator and each affiliate of the Administrator and any other person providing services to the Company as arranged by the Administrator, is free to render services to others. It is understood that directors, officers, employees and stockholders of the Company, are or may become interested in the Administrator and its affiliates, as directors, officers, members, managers, employees, partners, stockholders or otherwise, and that the Administrator and directors, officers, members, managers, employees, partners and stockholders of the Administrator and its affiliates are or may become similarly interested in the Company, as stockholders or otherwise.

7. Duration and Termination of this Agreement

(a) This Agreement shall become effective as of the date hereof. This Agreement shall continue in effect for two years from the date hereof, and thereafter shall continue automatically for successive annual periods, provided that such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by (A) the vote of the Company's Board of Directors, or by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company and (B) the vote of a majority of the Company's Board of Directors who are not parties to this Agreement or "interested persons" (as such term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act) of any such party, in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

(b) The Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, upon 60 days' written notice, (i) by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company or by the vote of the Company's Board of Directors, or (ii) by the Administrator.

8. Amendments of this Agreement

This Agreement may not be amended or modified except by a written instrument signed by each party hereto.

9. Assignment

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. This Agreement may not be assigned by a party without the consent of the other parties. The provisions of Section 5 of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and the Administrator shall remain entitled to the benefits thereof, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement.

10. Governing Law

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware and the applicable provisions of the Investment Company Act and ERISA. To the extent the applicable laws of the State of Delaware, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the provisions of the Investment Company Act or ERISA, the Investment Company Act or ERISA shall control.

11. No Waiver

The failure of any party to enforce at any time for any period the provisions of or any rights deriving from this Agreement shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provisions or rights or the right of such party thereafter to enforce such provisions, and no waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by all parties hereto.

12. Severability

If any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.

13. Notices

Any notice under this Agreement shall be given in writing, addressed and delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, to the other parties at their principal office.

14. Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original instrument and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

15. Entire Agreement

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and arrangements with respect to such subject matter.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: /s/ Russell C. Zomback

Name: Russell C. Zomback

Title: Chief Financial Officer

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

By: /s/ Sengal Selassie

Name: Sengal Selassie

Title: Managing Member

SUB-ADMINISTRATION SERVICING AGREEMENT

THIS SUB-ADMINISTRATION SERVICING AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the last date written on the signature block, by and among **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I**, a Maryland corporation (the “Fund”), **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company, (the “Administrator”), and **U.S. BANCORP FUND SERVICES, LLC d/b/a/ U.S. Bank Global Fund Services**, a Wisconsin limited liability company (“USBFS”).

WHEREAS, the Administrator has entered into an Administration Agreement with the Fund, a closed-end management investment fund that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”);

WHEREAS, the Administrator desires to retain USBFS to provide sub-administrative services with respect to the Fund in the manner and on the terms hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, USBFS is willing to provide sub-administrative services with respect to the Fund on the terms and conditions hereafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

1. Engagement of USBFS as Administrator

The Administrator hereby engages USBFS to act as sub-administrator with respect to the Fund on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, and USBFS hereby accepts such engagement and agrees to perform the services and duties set forth in this Agreement.

2. Services and Duties of USBFS

USBFS shall provide the following fund administration services:

A. General Fund Management:

- (1) Act as liaison among all Fund service providers, including, but not limited to, custodians, transfer agents and dividend reinvestment plan administrators.
- (2) Coordinate the Fund’s Board of Directors’ (the “Board of Directors” or the “Directors”) communication:
 - a. Prepare reports for the Board of Directors based on financial and administrative data provided by the Fund.
- (3) Attend meetings and prepare minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors and fund shareholders.

(4) Audits:

- a. Prepare appropriate schedules and assist independent auditors.
- b. Provide information to the Securities Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) if requested, and facilitate audit process.

c. Provide office facilities, if necessary, in connection with such audits.

(5) Keep the Fund's governing documents, including its charter, bylaws and minute books, but only to the extent such documents are provided to USBFS by the Administrator, the Fund or its representatives for safe-keeping.

B. Compliance:

(1) Regulatory and Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") Compliance:

a. Monitor compliance with the 1940 Act requirements applicable to business development companies and the Fund's status as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M, including:

- (i) Maintenance of books and records under Rule 31a-3 of the 1940 Act.
- (ii) IRC Section 851 - 90% Qualifying income
- (iii) IRC Section 851 – Annual Distribution Requirement
- (iv) IRC Section 851 - Fund Diversification
- (v) Section 12(d)(1)(A) of the 1940 Act - Diversification Requirement
- (vi) Section 55(a) of the 1940 Act - 70% Eligible Assets Requirement
- (vii) Section 18 of the 1940 Act, as modified by Section 61 of the 1940 Act –150% Asset Coverage Requirement

b. Maintain awareness of applicable regulatory and operational service issues.

c. Monitor Fund compliance with the policies and investment limitations as set forth in its registration statement.

d. Perform its duties hereunder in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations and provide any sub-certifications reasonably requested by the Administrator in connection with: (i) any certification required of the Fund pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "SOX Act") or any rules or regulations promulgated by the SEC thereunder, and (ii) the operation of USBFS's compliance program as it relates to the Fund, provided the same shall not be deemed to change USBFS's standard of care as set forth herein.

e. In order to assist the Fund in satisfying the requirements of Rule 38a-1 under the 1940 Act (the "Rule"), USBFS will provide the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer with reasonable access to USBFS' fund records relating to the services provided by it under this Agreement, and will provide quarterly compliance reports and related certifications regarding any Material Compliance Matter (as defined in the Rule) involving USBFS that affect or could affect the Fund.

(2) SEC Reporting:

a. Prepare financial statements for inclusion in Form 10-Q and Form 10-K filings, as applicable.

b. Prepare and file fidelity bond under Rule 17g-1 of the 1940 Act.

c. Prepare and file reports and other documents required by the SEC and any U.S. stock exchanges on which the Fund's shares may be listed.

C. SEC Inspections:

(1) Assist in producing materials requested by the SEC.

- (2) Maintain records of all materials produced as requested by the SEC.

D. Financial Reporting:

- (1) Provide financial data for inclusion in the Fund's registration statements filed under the Securities Act of 1933 and/or Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Supervise the maintenance of the Fund's general ledger and the preparation of the Fund's financial statements, including oversight of expense payments, of the determination of net asset value of the Fund's shares, and of the declaration and payment of dividends and other distributions to shareholders.
- (2)
- (3) Compute the total return and expense ratio of the Fund and the Fund's portfolio turnover rate.

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- (4) Prepare quarterly and annual financial statements, which include without limitation the following items:

- a. Schedule of Investments.
- b. Consolidated Balance Sheet.
- c. Statement of Operations.
- d. Statement of Changes in Net Assets.
- e. Statement of Cash Flows.
- f. Notes to the quarterly and annual financial statements.
- g. Financial highlights.

- (5) Coordinate certification requirements pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "SOX Act").

- (6) Compute Total return calculations for net asset value.

- (7) Assist the Fund's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer in connection with establishing and maintaining internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15-d(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "1934 Act")) for the Fund.

E. Tax Reporting:

- (1) File Form 1099 Miscellaneous for payments to Directors and other service providers.

- (2) Prepare tax schedules, which include without limitation the following items:

- a. Fiscal Distribution Schedule (including recorded ROSCOP journal entry to general ledger).
- b. Excise Distribution Schedule.

- (3) Prepare for the review of the independent accountants and/or Fund management the federal and state tax returns including without limitation, Form 1120 RIC and applicable state returns including any necessary schedules. USBFS will prepare annual Fund federal and state income tax return filings as authorized by and based on the instructions received by Fund management and/or its independent accountant. File on a timely basis appropriate federal and state tax returns including, without limitation, Forms 1120/8613, with any necessary schedules.

- (4) Provide the Fund's management and Fund's independent accountant with tax reporting information pertaining to the Fund and available to USBFS as required in a timely manner.
 - a. Prepare Fund financial statement tax footnote disclosures for the review and approval of Fund management and/or the Fund's independent accountant.

3. License of Data; Warranty; Termination of Rights

USBFS has entered into agreements with various data service providers (each, a "Data Provider"), including, without limitation, MSCI index data services ("MSCI"), Standard & Poor Financial Services LLC ("S&P"), Morningstar, Broadridge, FTSE, and ICE to provide data services that may include, without limitation, index returns and pricing information (collectively, the "Data") to facilitate the services provided by USBFS to each Fund. These Data Providers have required USBFS to include certain provisions regarding the use of the Data in this Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit B. The Data is being licensed, not sold, to the Fund. The Fund acknowledges and agrees that certain Data Providers may also require the Fund or one or more Funds to enter into an agreement directly with the Data Provider for the use of that Data Provider's Data. The provisions in Exhibit B shall not have any effect upon the standard of care and liability USBFS has set forth in Section 6 of this Agreement.

The Fund agrees to indemnify and hold harmless USBFS, its information providers, and any other third party involved in or related to the making or compiling of the Data, their affiliates and subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents from and against any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, as incurred, arising in and any manner out of the Fund's or any third party's use of, or inability to use, the Data or any breach by the Fund of any provision contained in this Agreement regarding the Data. The immediately preceding sentence shall not have any effect upon the standard of care and liability of USBFS as set forth in Section 6 of this Agreement.

4. Compensation

USBFS shall be compensated for providing the services set forth in this Agreement in accordance with the fee schedule set forth on Exhibit A hereto (as amended from time to time by consent of both parties to this agreement). USBFS shall also be reimbursed for such miscellaneous expenses as set forth on Exhibit A hereto as are reasonably incurred by USBFS in performing its duties hereunder. The Administrator shall pay all such fees and reimbursable expenses within thirty (30) calendar days following receipt of the billing notice, except for any fee or expense subject to a good faith dispute. The Administrator shall notify USBFS in writing within thirty (30) calendar days following receipt of each invoice if the Administrator is disputing any amounts in good faith. The Administrator shall settle such disputed amounts within ten (10) calendar days of the day on which the parties agree to the amount to be paid.

5. Representations and Warranties

A. The Administrator hereby represents and warrants to USBFS, which representations and warranties shall be deemed to be continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, that:

- (1) It is duly organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with full power to carry on its business as now conducted, to enter into this Agreement and to perform its respective obligations hereunder;

- (2) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Administrator in accordance with all requisite action and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Administrator, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application affecting the rights and remedies of creditors and secured parties;

- (3) It is conducting its business in compliance in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations, both state and federal, and has obtained all regulatory approvals necessary to carry on its business as now conducted; there is no statute, rule, regulation, order or judgment binding on it and no provision of its organizational documents or any contract binding it or affecting its property which would prohibit its execution or performance of this Agreement; and

- (4) All records of the Administrator provided to USBFS by the Administrator or by a prior service provider of the Administrator are accurate and complete and USBFS is entitled to rely on all such records in the form provided.

B. USBFS hereby represents and warrants to the Administrator, which representations and warranties shall be deemed to be continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, that:

- (1) It is duly organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with full power to carry on its business as now conducted, to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder;

- (2) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by USBFS in accordance with all requisite action and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of USBFS, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application affecting the rights and remedies of creditors and secured parties; and

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- (3) It is conducting its business in compliance in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations, both state and federal, and has obtained all regulatory approvals necessary to carry on its business as now conducted; there is no statute, rule, regulation, order or judgment binding on it and no provision of its organizational documents or any contract binding it or affecting its property which would prohibit its execution or performance of this Agreement.

6. Standard of Care; Indemnification; Limitation of Liability

- A. USBFS shall exercise reasonable care in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. USBFS shall not be liable for any error of judgment or mistake of law or for any loss suffered by the Administrator or the Fund in connection with its duties under this Agreement, except a loss arising out of or relating to USBFS' refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement or from its bad faith, negligence, or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if USBFS has exercised reasonable care in the performance of its duties under this Agreement, the Administrator shall indemnify and hold harmless USBFS from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, and liabilities of any and every nature (including reasonable and documented attorneys' fees) that USBFS may sustain or incur or that may be asserted against USBFS by any person arising out of any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in performing the services hereunder (i) in accordance with the foregoing standards, or (ii) in reliance upon any written or oral instruction provided to USBFS by the Administrator or the Fund's investment adviser or by any duly authorized officer of the the Fund, as approved by the Board of Directors of the Fund, except for any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, and liabilities arising out of or relating to USBFS' refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement or from its bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. This indemnity shall be a continuing obligation of the the Administrator, its successors and assigns, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, the term "USBFS" shall include USBFS' directors, officers and employees.

USBFS shall indemnify and hold the Administrator and the Fund harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, and liabilities of any and every nature (including reasonable attorneys' fees) that the Administrator or the Fund may sustain or incur or that may be asserted against the Administrator or the Fund by any person arising out of any action taken or omitted to be taken by USBFS as a result of USBFS' refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement, or from its bad faith, negligence, or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. This indemnity shall be a continuing obligation of USBFS, its successors and

assigns, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, the terms the “Administrator” and the “Fund” shall include each entity’s directors, officers and employees.

In no case shall either party be liable to the other for (i) any special, indirect or consequential damages, loss of profits or goodwill (even if advised of the possibility of such) under this Agreement; or (ii) any delay by reason of circumstances not reasonably foreseeable and beyond its reasonable control, including acts of civil or military authority, national emergencies, labor difficulties, fire, flood or catastrophe, acts of God, insurrection, war, riots, or failure beyond its control of transportation or power supply.

USBFS agrees that it shall, at all times, have reasonable business continuity and disaster recovery contingency plans with appropriate parties, making reasonable provision for emergency use of electrical data processing equipment to the extent appropriate equipment is available. Representatives of the Administrator shall be entitled to inspect USBFS’ premises and operating capabilities, books and records maintained on behalf of the Fund at any time during regular business hours of USBFS, upon reasonable notice to USBFS. Moreover, USBFS shall obtain and provide the Administrator, at such times as they may reasonably require, copies of reports rendered by independent accountants on the internal controls and procedures of USBFS relating to the services provided by USBFS under this Agreement.

Notwithstanding the above, USBFS reserves the right to reprocess and correct administrative errors at its own expense. USBFS shall promptly notify the Administrator upon discovery of any material administrative error, and shall consult with the Administrator about the actions it intends to take to correct the error prior to taking such actions. A “material administrative error” means any error which the Administrator or the Fund’s management, including its Chief Compliance Officer, would reasonably need to know to oversee Fund compliance.

- In order that the indemnification provisions contained in this section shall apply, it is understood that if in any case the indemnitor may be asked to indemnify or hold the indemnitee harmless, the indemnitor shall be fully and promptly advised of all pertinent facts concerning the situation in question, and it is further understood that the indemnitee will use all reasonable care to notify the indemnitor promptly concerning any situation that presents or appears likely to present the probability of a claim for indemnification. The indemnitor shall have the option to defend the indemnitee against any claim that may be the subject of this indemnification. In the event that the indemnitor so elects, it will so notify the indemnitee and thereupon the indemnitor shall take over complete defense of the claim, and the indemnitee shall in such situation initiate no further legal or other expenses for which it shall seek indemnification under this section. The indemnitee shall in no case confess any claim or make any compromise in any case in which the indemnitor will be asked to indemnify the indemnitee except with the indemnitor’s prior written consent.
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- C. The indemnity and defense provisions set forth in this Section 6 shall indefinitely survive the termination and/or assignment of this Agreement.

- D. If USBFS is acting in another capacity for the Administrator or the Fund pursuant to a separate agreement, nothing herein shall be deemed to relieve USBFS of any of its obligations in such other capacity.

7. Proprietary and Confidential Information

USBFS agrees on behalf of itself and its directors, officers, and employees to treat confidentially and as proprietary information of the Administrator and the Fund all records and other information relative to the Administrator and the Fund and prior, present, or potential shareholders of the Fund (and clients of said shareholders) including all shareholder trading information, and not to use such records and information for any purpose other than the performance of its responsibilities and duties hereunder, except after prior notification to and approval in writing by the Administrator, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld and may not be withheld where USBFS may be exposed to civil or criminal contempt proceedings for

failure to comply, when requested to divulge such information by duly constituted authorities, provided that to the extent permitted by law, USBFS shall provide the Administrator prior notice to such disclosure or when so requested by the Administrator. USBFS acknowledges that it may come into possession of material nonpublic information with respect to the Administrator or the Fund and confirms that it has in place effective procedures to prevent the use of such information in violation of applicable insider trading laws.

Further, USBFS will adhere to the privacy policies adopted by the Fund pursuant to Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, as may be modified from time to time (the "Act"). In this regard, USBFS shall have in place and maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards reasonably designed to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of, and to prevent unauthorized access to or use of, records and information relating to the Fund and its shareholders. In addition, USBFS has implemented and will maintain an effective information security program reasonably designed to protect information relating to shareholders (such information, "Personal Information"), which program includes sufficient administrative, technical and physical safeguards and written policies and procedures reasonably designed to (a) insure the security and confidentiality of such Personal Information; (b) protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of such Personal Information, including identity theft; and (c) protect against unauthorized access to or use of such Personal Information that could result in substantial harm or inconvenience to the Fund or any Shareholder (the "Information Security Program"). The Information Security Program complies and shall comply with reasonable information security practices within the industry. Upon written request from the Administrator, USBFS shall provide a written description of its Information Security Program. USBFS shall promptly notify the Administrator in writing of any breach of security, misuse or misappropriation of, or unauthorized access to, (in each case, whether actual or alleged) any information of the Fund (any or all of the foregoing referred to individually and collectively for purposes of this provision as a "Security Breach"). USBFS shall promptly investigate and remedy, and bear the cost of the measures (including notification to any affected parties), if any, to address any Security Breach. USBFS shall bear the cost of the Security Breach only if USBFS is determined to be responsible for such Security Breach. In addition to, and without limiting the foregoing, USBFS promptly cooperate with the Administrator, the Fund or any of their affiliates' regulators at USBFS's expense (only if USBFS is determined to be responsible for such Security Breach) to prevent, investigate, cease or mitigate any Security Breach, including but not limited to investigating, bringing claims or actions and giving information and testimony. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, the obligations set forth in this paragraph shall survive termination of this Agreement.

USBFS will provide the Administrator with certain copies of third party audit reports (e.g., SSAE 16 or SOC 1) through access to USBFS's CCO Portal (limited to two persons) to the extent such reports are available and related to services performed or made available by USBFS under this Agreement. The Administrator acknowledges and agrees that such reports are confidential and that it will not disclose such reports except to its employees and service providers who have a need to know and have agreed to obligations of confidentiality applicable to such reports.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, USBFS will not share any nonpublic personal information concerning any of the Fund's shareholders to any third party unless specifically directed by the Administrator or allowed under one of the exceptions noted under the Act.

8. Term of Agreement; Amendment

This Agreement shall become effective as of the last date written in the signature block below and will continue in effect for a period of three (3) years. However, this Agreement may be terminated by either party upon giving ninety (90) days' prior written notice to the other party or such shorter period as is mutually agreed upon by the parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be terminated by any party upon the breach of the other party of any material term of this Agreement if such breach is not cured within fifteen (15) days of notice of such breach to the breaching party. This Agreement may not be amended or modified in any manner except by written agreement executed by the parties.

9. Records

USBFS shall keep records relating to the services to be performed hereunder in the form and manner, and for such period, as it may deem advisable and is agreeable to the Administrator, but not inconsistent with the rules and regulations of appropriate government authorities, in particular, Section 31 of the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder. USBFS agrees that all such records

prepared or maintained by USBFS relating to the services to be performed by USBFS hereunder are the property of the Administrator and/or the Fund, as applicable, and will be preserved, maintained, and made available in accordance with such applicable sections and rules of the 1940 Act and will be promptly surrendered to the Administrator and/or the Fund on and in accordance with its request. USBFS agrees to provide any records necessary to the Fund to comply with the Fund's disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting adopted in accordance with the SOX Act. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, USBFS shall cooperate with the Administrator and assist the Fund, as necessary, by providing information to enable the appropriate officers of the Fund to (i) execute any required certifications and (ii) provide a report of management on the Fund's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Sections 13a-15(f) or 15a-15(f) of the 1934 Act). Notwithstanding the foregoing, USBFS may retain such copies of such records in such form as may be required to comply with any applicable law, rule, regulation, or order of any governmental, regulatory, or judicial authority of competent jurisdiction.

10. Governing Law

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to conflicts of law principles. To the extent that the applicable laws of the State of New York, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the applicable provisions of the 1940 Act, the latter shall control, and nothing herein shall be construed in a manner inconsistent with the 1940 Act or any rule or order of the SEC thereunder.

11. Duties in the Event of Termination

In the event that, in connection with termination, a successor to any of USBFS' duties or responsibilities hereunder is designated by the Administrator by written notice to USBFS, USBFS will promptly, upon such termination, except in the case of a material breach by USBFS, in which case all expenses shall be borne by USBFS, and at the expense of the Administrator, transfer to such successor all relevant books, records, correspondence, and other data established or maintained by USBFS under this Agreement in a form reasonably acceptable to the Administrator (if such form differs from the form in which USBFS has maintained the same, the Administrator shall pay any reasonable and documented expenses associated with transferring the data to such form), and will cooperate in the transfer of such duties and responsibilities, including provision for assistance from USBFS' personnel in the establishment of books, records, and other data by such successor. If no such successor is designated, then such books, records and other data shall be returned to the Administrator.

12. No Agency Relationship

USBFS shall for all purposes herein be deemed to be an independent contractor and shall, unless otherwise expressly provided or authorized herein, have no authority to act for or represent the Administrator or the Fund in any way or otherwise be deemed an agent of the Administrator or the Fund, or conduct business in the name, or for the account, of the Administrator or the Fund.

13. Data Necessary to Perform Services

The Administrator or its agents shall furnish to USBFS the data necessary to perform the services described herein at such times and in such form as mutually agreed upon. If USBFS is also acting in another capacity for the Administrator or the Fund, nothing herein shall be deemed to relieve USBFS of any of its obligations in such capacity.

14. Assignment

This Agreement may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other party.

15. Compliance with Laws

The Administrator has and retains primary responsibility for all compliance matters relating to the Fund, including but not limited to compliance with the 1940 Act, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the SOX Act, the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism of 2001 and the policies and limitations of the Fund related to its portfolio investments as set forth in its registration statement. USBFS' services hereunder shall not relieve the Administrator of its responsibilities for assuring such compliance or the Board of Directors' oversight responsibility with respect thereto.

The foregoing shall not affect USBFS' responsibilities for compliance and related matters delegated to USBFS as expressly provided herein. USBFS shall comply with changes to all regulatory requirements affecting its services hereunder and shall implement any necessary modifications to the services prior to the deadline imposed, or extensions authorized by, the regulatory or other governmental body having jurisdiction for such regulatory requirements.

16. Legal-Related Services

Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to appoint USBFS and its officers, directors and employees as the Administrator's or the Fund' attorneys, form attorney-client relationships or require the provision of legal advice. The Administrator acknowledges that in-house USBFS attorneys exclusively represent USBFS and rely on outside counsel retained by the Administrator or the Fund to review all services provided by in-house USBFS attorneys and to provide independent judgment on the Administrator's or the Fund's behalf. Because no attorney-client relationship exists between in-house USBFS attorneys and the Administrator or the Fund, any information provided to USBFS attorneys may not be privileged and may be subject to compulsory disclosure under certain circumstances. USBFS represents that it will maintain the confidentiality of information disclosed to its in-house attorneys on a best efforts basis.

17. Notices

Any notice required or permitted to be given by either party to the other shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given on the date delivered personally or by courier service, or three days after sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or on the date sent and confirmed received by facsimile transmission to the other party's address set forth below:

Notice to USBFS shall be sent to:

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC
777 East Wisconsin Avenue
MK-WI-J1S
Milwaukee, WI 53202

and notice to the Administrator shall be sent to:

Brightwood Capital Corporation
c/o Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC
810 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10019
Attention: Darilyn T. Oridge, Esq.
Email: oridge@brightwoodlp.com

18. Multiple Originals

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

19. Entire Agreement

This Agreement, together with any exhibits, attachments, appendices or schedules expressly referenced herein, constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements and understandings, whether written or oral.

SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer on one or more counterparts as of the date written below.

Brightwood Capital Corporation I

By: /s/ Russell Zomback

Name: Russell Zomback

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: July 25, 2022

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC

By: /s/ Jason Hadler

Name: Jason Hadler

Title: SVP

Date: July 25, 2022

Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC

By: /s/ Sengal Selassie

Name: Sengal Selassie

Title: Managing Member

Date: July 25, 2022

Exhibit A to the Fund Administration Servicing Agreement –

Fund Administration & Fund Accounting Services Fee Schedule

*Annual Fee Based Upon Average Gross Assets per Fund**

Basis Points

8 on the first \$ 250 million

6 on the next \$ 250 million

4 on the balance

\$180,000 – per fund, Minimum Annual Fee First 9 Months from the effective date of the Fund’s Registration Statement on Form 10 filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

\$ 250,000 - per fund, Minimum Annual Fee

Flat fee per feeder (if required): \$2,000 monthly, plus \$6,000 yearly annual audit

SPV/Blocker fee (if required): \$8,000 yearly

Services Included in Annual Fee per Fund

All schedules subject to change depending upon the use of unique security type requiring special pricing or accounting arrangements.

Chief Compliance Officer Support Fee

- \$ 6,000 per year

Data Services

Pricing Services

- \$ 0.08 - Domestic Equities, Options, ADRs, Foreign Equities, Futures, Forwards, Currency Rates, Total Return Swaps
- \$ 0.50 - Domestic Corporates, Domestic Convertibles, Domestic Governments and Agencies, Mortgage Backed, and Municipal Bonds
- \$ 0.80 - CMOs, Money Market Instruments, Foreign Corporates, Foreign Convertibles, Foreign Governments, Foreign Agencies, Asset Backed, and High Yield Bonds
- \$ 0.90 - Interest Rate Swaps, Foreign Currency Swaps
- \$ 1.00 - Bank Loans
- \$ 1.50 - Swaptions
- \$ 1.50 - Intraday money market funds pricing, up to 3 times per day
- \$ 3.00 - Credit Default Swaps
- \$ 500 per Month Manual Security Pricing (>25per day)

NOTE: Prices above are based on using U.S. Bank primary pricing service which may vary by security type and are subject to change. Use of alternative and/or additional sources may result in additional fees. Pricing vendors may designate certain securities as hard to value or as a non-standard security type, such as CLOs and CDOs, which may result in additional fees.

Corporate Action and Factor Services (security paydown)

- \$ 2.00 per Foreign Equity Security per Month
- \$ 1.00 per Domestic Equity Security per Month
- \$ 2.00 per CMOs, Asset Backed, Mortgage Backed Security per Month

Third Party Administrative Data Charges (descriptive data for each security)

- \$ 1 per security per month for fund administrative data (based upon U.S. Bancorp standard data services and are subject to change)

Annual 10-K & 10-Q Document Management Fee

Included in the basis point service fee schedule above, we will provide final drafts of required financial statements, schedule of investments and tabular data included in footnotes.

Form 10-Q and Form 10-K filings with financial data and includes:

- Shell of 10-Q/10-K provided prior to quarter/year end (Includes prior period comparative data).
- Post-valuation financial statements / document (requires valuation sign-off).
- Final financial statements / document

Additional report drafts beyond these three will be an additional \$ 5,000.

Miscellaneous Expenses

All other miscellaneous fees and expenses, including but not limited to the following, will be separately billed as incurred:

Fair Value Services, SWIFT processing, customized reporting, third-party data provider costs,(including Bloomberg, S&P, Moody's, Morningstar, GICS, MSCI, Lipper, etc.), postage, stationery, programming, special reports, proxies, insurance, EDGAR/XBRL filing, tax e-filing, PFIC monitoring, wash sale reporting (Gainskeeper), retention of records, federal and state regulatory filing fees, expenses from Board of directors meetings, third party auditing and legal expenses, and conversion expenses (if necessary).

Additional services not included above shall be mutually agreed upon at the time of the service being added. In addition to the fees described above, additional fees may be charged to the extent that changes to applicable laws, rules or regulations require additional work or expenses related to services provided (e.g., compliance with new liquidity risk management and reporting requirements).

*Subject to annual CPI increase-All Urban Consumers - U.S. City Average" index, provided that the CPI adjustment will not decrease the base fees (even if the cumulative CPI rate at any point in time is negative).

Fees are calculated pro rata and billed monthly.

Exhibit B to the Sub-Fund Administration Servicing Agreement

REQUIRED PROVISIONS OF DATA SERVICE PROVIDERS

- The Administrator shall use the Data solely for internal purposes and will not redistribute the Data in any form or manner to any third party, except as may otherwise be expressly agreed to by the Data Provider.

The Administrator will not use or permit anyone else to use the Data in connection with creating, managing, advising, writing, trading, marketing or promoting any securities or financial instruments or products, including, but not limited to, funds, synthetic or derivative securities (e.g., options, warrants, swaps, and futures), whether listed on an exchange or traded over the counter or on a private-placement basis or otherwise or to create any indices (custom or otherwise).
- The Administrator shall will treat the Data as proprietary to the Data Provider. Further, the Administrator shall acknowledge that the Data Provider is the sole and exclusive owners of the Data and all trade secrets, copyrights, trademarks and other intellectual property rights in or to the Data.

The Administrator will not (i) copy any component of the Data, (ii) alter, modify or adapt any component of the Data, including, but not limited to, translating, decompiling, disassembling, reverse engineering or creating derivative works, or (iii) make any component of the Data available to any other person or organization (including, without limitation, the Administrator's present and future parents, subsidiaries or affiliates) directly or indirectly, for any of the foregoing or for any other use, including, without limitation, by loan, rental, service bureau, external time sharing or similar arrangement.
- The Administrator shall reproduce on all permitted copies of the Data all copyright, proprietary rights and restrictive legends appearing on the Data.
- The Administrator shall assume the entire risk of using the Data and shall agree to hold the Data Providers harmless from any claims that may arise in connection with any use of the Data by the Administrator.
- The Administrator acknowledges that the Data Providers may, in their sole and absolute discretion and at any time, terminate USBGFS' right to receive and/or use the Data.

- The Administrator acknowledges and agrees that the Data Providers are third party beneficiaries of the agreements between the
- Data Providers and USBGFS with respect to the provision of the Data, entitled to enforce all provisions of such agreement relating to the Data.

- THE DATA IS PROVIDED TO THE ADMINISTRATOR ON AN "AS IS" BASIS. USBGFS, ITS INFORMATION PROVIDERS, AND ANY OTHER THIRD PARTY INVOLVED IN OR RELATED TO THE MAKING OR COMPILING OF THE DATA MAKE NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH RESPECT TO
- THE DATA (OR THE RESULTS TO BE OBTAINED BY THE USE THEREOF). USBGFS, ITS INFORMATION PROVIDERS AND ANY OTHER THIRD PARTY INVOLVED IN OR RELATED TO THE MAKING OR COMPILING OF THE DATA EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF ORIGINALITY, ACCURACY, COMPLETENESS, NON-INFRINGEMENT, MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

- THE ADMINISTRATOR ASSUMES THE ENTIRE RISK OF ANY USE THE ADMINISTRATOR MAY MAKE OF THE DATA. IN NO EVENT SHALL USBGFS, ITS INFORMATION PROVIDERS OR ANY THIRD PARTY INVOLVED IN OR RELATED TO THE MAKING OR COMPILING OF THE DATA, BE LIABLE TO THE ADMINISTRATOR, OR ANY OTHER THIRD PARTY, FOR ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT DAMAGES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY LOST PROFITS,
- LOST SAVINGS OR OTHER INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE INABILITY OF THE ADMINISTRATOR TO USE THE DATA, REGARDLESS OF THE FORM OF ACTION, EVEN IF USBGFS, ANY OF ITS INFORMATION PROVIDERS, OR ANY OTHER THIRD PARTY INVOLVED IN OR RELATED TO THE MAKING OR COMPILING OF THE DATA HAS BEEN ADVISED OF OR OTHERWISE MIGHT HAVE ANTICIPATED THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.
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INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

THIS INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the ____ day of _____, 2022, by and between Brightwood Capital Corporation I, a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), and _____ (“Indemnitee”).

WHEREAS, at the request of the Company, Indemnitee currently serves as **[a director] [and] [an officer]** of the Company and may, therefore, be subjected to claims, suits or proceedings arising as a result of such service;

WHEREAS, as an inducement to Indemnitee to serve or continue to serve in such capacity, the Company has agreed to indemnify Indemnitee and to advance expenses and costs incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any such claims, suits or proceedings, to the maximum extent permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, the parties by this Agreement desire to set forth their agreement regarding indemnification and advance of expenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants contained herein, the Company and Indemnitee do hereby covenant and agree as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) “Change in Control” means a change in control of the Company occurring after the Effective Date of a nature that would be required to be reported in response to Item 6(e) of Schedule 14A of Regulation 14A (or in response to any similar item on any similar schedule or form) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), whether or not the Company is then subject to such reporting requirement; provided, however, that, without limitation, such a Change in Control shall be deemed to have occurred if, after the Effective Date (i) any “person” (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) is or becomes the “beneficial owner” (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 15% or more of the combined voting power of all of the Company’s then-outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors without the prior approval of at least two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors in office immediately prior to such person’s attaining such percentage interest; (ii) the Company is a party to a merger, consolidation, sale of assets, plan of liquidation or other reorganization not approved by at least two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors then in office, as a consequence of which members of the Board of Directors in office immediately prior to such transaction or event constitute less than a majority of the Board of Directors thereafter; or (iii) at any time, a majority of the members of the Board of Directors are not individuals (A) who were directors as of the Effective Date or (B) whose election by the Board of Directors or nomination for election by the Company’s stockholders was approved by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the directors then in office who were directors as of the Effective Date or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved.

(b) “Corporate Status” means the status of a person as a present or former director, officer, employee or agent of the Company or as a director, trustee, officer, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise that such person is or was serving in such capacity at the request of the Company. As a clarification and without limiting the circumstances in which Indemnitee may be serving at the request of the Company, service by Indemnitee shall be deemed to be at the request of the Company: (i) if Indemnitee serves or served as a director, trustee, officer, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust or other enterprise (1) of which a majority of the voting power or equity interest is or was owned directly or indirectly by the Company or (2) the management of which is controlled directly or indirectly by the Company and (ii) if, as a result of Indemnitee’s service to the Company or any of its affiliated entities, Indemnitee is subject to duties by, or required to perform services for, an employee benefit plan or its participants or beneficiaries, including as deemed fiduciary thereof.

(c) "Disabling Conduct" means, as to a director or officer of the Company, willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of the director's or officer's office as set forth in Section 17(h) of the Investment Company Act.

(d) "Disinterested Director" means a director of the Company who is not an "interested person" of the Company as defined in the Investment Company Act and was not a party to the Proceeding in respect of which indemnification and/or advance of Expenses is sought by Indemnitee.

(e) "Effective Date" means the date set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement.

(f) "Expenses" means any and all reasonable and out-of-pocket attorneys' fees and costs, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees of experts, witness fees, travel expenses, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees, federal, state, local or foreign taxes imposed on Indemnitee as a result of the actual or deemed receipt of any payments under this Agreement, ERISA excise taxes and penalties and any other disbursements or expenses incurred in connection with prosecuting, defending, preparing to prosecute or defend, investigating, being or preparing to be a witness in or otherwise participating in a Proceeding. Expenses shall also include Expenses incurred in connection with any appeal resulting from any Proceeding including, without limitation, the premium, security for and other costs relating to any cost bond, supersedeas bond or other appeal bond or its equivalent.

(g) "Independent Counsel" means a law firm, or a member of a law firm, that is experienced in matters of corporation law and the Investment Company Act, is "independent legal counsel" within the meaning of Rule 0-1(a)(6) under the Investment Company Act, and neither is, nor in the past five years has been, retained to represent: (i) the Company or Indemnitee in any matter material to either such party (other than with respect to matters concerning Indemnitee under this Agreement or of other indemnitees under similar indemnification agreements), or (ii) any other party to or participant or witness in the Proceeding giving rise to a claim for indemnification or advance of Expenses hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Independent Counsel" shall not include any person who, under the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing, would have a conflict of interest in representing either the Company or Indemnitee in an action to determine Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement.

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(h) "Investment Company Act" means the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(i) "Proceeding" means any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, arbitration, alternate dispute resolution mechanism, investigation, inquiry, administrative hearing or any other actual, threatened or completed proceeding, whether brought by or in the right of the Company or otherwise and whether of a civil (including intentional or unintentional tort claims), criminal, administrative or investigative (formal or informal) nature, including any appeal therefrom, except one pending or completed on or before the Effective Date, unless otherwise specifically agreed in writing by the Company and Indemnitee. If Indemnitee reasonably believes that a given situation may lead to or culminate in the institution of a Proceeding, such situation shall also be considered a Proceeding.

Section 2. Services by Indemnitee. Indemnitee will serve in the capacity or capacities set forth in the first WHEREAS clause above. However, this Agreement shall not impose any independent obligation on Indemnitee or the Company to continue Indemnitee's service to the Company. This Agreement shall not be deemed an employment contract between the Company (or any other entity) and Indemnitee.

Section 3. General. The Company shall indemnify, and advance Expenses to, Indemnitee (a) as provided in this Agreement and (b) otherwise to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law in effect on the Effective Date and as amended from time to time; provided, however, that no change in Maryland law shall have the effect of reducing the benefits available to Indemnitee hereunder based on Maryland law as in effect immediately prior to the date of such change in Maryland law. The rights of Indemnitee provided in this Section 3 shall include, without limitation, the rights set forth in the other sections of this Agreement, including any additional indemnification permitted by the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL"), including, without limitation, Section 2-418 of the MGCL.

Section 4. Standard for Indemnification. If, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be, made a party to any Proceeding, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee against all judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid

in settlement and all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection with any such Proceeding unless it is established by clear and convincing evidence that (a) the act or omission of Indemnitee was material to the matter giving rise to the Proceeding and (i) was committed in bad faith or (ii) was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty or Disabling Conduct, (b) Indemnitee actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (c) in the case of any criminal Proceeding, Indemnitee had reasonable cause to believe that Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful.

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Section 5. Certain Limits on Indemnification. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement (other than Section 6), Indemnitee shall not be entitled to:

- (a) indemnification hereunder if the Proceeding was one by or in the right of the Company and Indemnitee is adjudged, in a final adjudication of the Proceeding not subject to further appeal, to be liable to the Company;
- (b) indemnification hereunder if Indemnitee is adjudged, in a final adjudication of the Proceeding not subject to further appeal, to be liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received in any Proceeding charging improper personal benefit to Indemnitee, whether or not involving action in the Indemnitee's Corporate Status; or
- (c) indemnification or advance of Expenses hereunder if the Proceeding was brought by Indemnitee, unless:
 - (i) the Proceeding was brought to enforce indemnification under this Agreement, and then only to the extent in accordance with and as authorized by Section 12 of this Agreement, or (ii) the Company's charter or Bylaws, a resolution of the stockholders entitled to vote generally in the election of directors or of the Board of Directors or an agreement approved by the Board of Directors to which the Company is a party expressly provide otherwise.

Section 6. Court-Ordered Indemnification. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, a court of appropriate jurisdiction, upon application of Indemnitee and such notice as the court shall require, may order indemnification of Indemnitee by the Company in the following circumstances:

- (a) if such court determines that Indemnitee is entitled to reimbursement under Section 2-418(d)(1) of the MGCL, the court shall order indemnification, in which case Indemnitee shall be entitled to recover the Expenses of securing such reimbursement; or
- (b) if such court determines that Indemnitee is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification in view of all the relevant circumstances, whether or not Indemnitee (i) has met the standards of conduct set forth in Section 2-418(b) of the MGCL or (ii) has been adjudged liable for receipt of an improper personal benefit under Section 2-418(c) of the MGCL, the court may order such indemnification as the court shall deem proper without regard to any limitation on such court-ordered indemnification contemplated by Section 2-418(d)(2)(ii) of the MGCL.

Section 7. Indemnification for Expenses of an Indemnitee Who is Wholly or Partially Successful. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and without limiting any such provision, to the extent that Indemnitee was or is, by reason of his or her Corporate Status, made a party to (or otherwise becomes a participant in) any Proceeding and is successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of such Proceeding, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee for all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection therewith. If Indemnitee is not wholly successful in such Proceeding but is successful, on the merits or otherwise, as to one or more but less than all claims, issues or matters in such Proceeding, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee under this Section 7 for all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection with each such claim, issue or matter, allocated on a reasonable and proportionate basis. For purposes of this Section 7 and, without limitation, the termination of any claim, issue or matter in such a Proceeding by dismissal, with or without prejudice, shall be deemed to be a successful result as to such claim, issue or matter.

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Section 8. Advance of Expenses for Indemnitee. If, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be, made a party to any Proceeding, the Company shall, without requiring a preliminary determination of Indemnitee's ultimate entitlement to indemnification hereunder, advance all Expenses incurred by or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with such Proceeding. The Company shall make such advance within ten days after the receipt by the Company of a statement or statements requesting such advance from time to time, whether prior to or after final disposition of such Proceeding (each, a "Request") and may be in the form of, in the reasonable discretion of the Indemnitee (but without duplication) (a) payment of such Expenses directly to third parties on behalf of Indemnitee, (b) advance of funds to Indemnitee in an amount sufficient to pay such Expenses or (c) reimbursement to Indemnitee for Indemnitee's payment of such Expenses. Such Request shall reasonably evidence the Expenses incurred by Indemnitee and shall include or be preceded or accompanied by a written affirmation by Indemnitee of Indemnitee's good faith belief that the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the Company as authorized by law and by this Agreement has been met and a written undertaking by or on behalf of Indemnitee, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A or in such form as may be required under applicable law as in effect at the time of the execution thereof, to reimburse the portion of any Expenses advanced to Indemnitee relating to claims, issues or matters in the Proceeding as to which it shall ultimately be established that the standard of conduct has not been met by Indemnitee and which have not been successfully resolved as described in Section 7 of this Agreement. Such advances shall be made within ten days (or 30 days if an opinion of Independent Counsel is required) after receipt by the Company of the Request if any one of the following conditions shall have been met: (1) the Indemnitee shall provide security for his undertaking; (2) the Company shall be insured against losses arising by reason of any lawful advances; or (3) a majority of a quorum of Disinterested Directors of the Company who are not party to the proceedings giving rise to the Request, or an Independent Counsel in a written opinion, shall determine, based on review of the readily available facts (as opposed to a trial-type inquiry), that there is reason to believe that the Indemnitee ultimately will be found entitled to indemnification. If the Indemnitee seeks satisfaction of condition (3), the Indemnitee may require the Company to have the determination as to the advances made by Independent Counsel to be selected in the manner provided by Section 1(g) of this Agreement, and the Company and the Indemnitee shall cooperate to cause the Independent Counsel to complete the determination within 30 days after the Company's receipt of the Request. To the extent that Expenses advanced to Indemnitee do not relate to a specific claim, issue or matter in the Proceeding, such Expenses shall be allocated on a reasonable and proportionate basis. The undertaking required by this Section 8 shall be an unlimited general obligation by or on behalf of Indemnitee and shall be accepted without reference to Indemnitee's financial ability to repay such advanced Expenses and, except as provided above, without any requirement to post security therefor. After an Indemnitee's eligibility for advances as to a Proceeding has been established, as above provided, additional advances shall be made, as expenses are incurred by the Indemnitee, upon receipt by the Company of further Requests supported by the aforesaid written affirmation of the Indemnitee, but without the need for a further determination of Indemnitee's entitlement thereto by Directors (or a committee thereof) or an Independent Counsel with respect to the Proceeding.

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Section 9. Indemnification and Advance of Expenses as a Witness or Other Participant. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee is or may be, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, made a witness or otherwise asked to participate in any Proceeding, whether instituted by the Company or any other person, and to which Indemnitee is not a party, Indemnitee shall be advanced and indemnified against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection therewith within ten days after the receipt by the Company of a statement or statements requesting any such advance or indemnification from time to time, whether prior to or after final disposition of such Proceeding. Such statement or statements shall reasonably evidence the Expenses incurred by Indemnitee. In connection with any such advance of Expenses, the Company may require Indemnitee to provide an undertaking and affirmation substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 10. Procedure for Determination of Entitlement to Indemnification.

(a) To obtain indemnification under this Agreement, Indemnitee shall submit to the Company a written request, including therein or therewith such documentation and information as is reasonably available to Indemnitee and is reasonably necessary to determine whether and to what extent Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification. Indemnitee may submit one or more such requests from time to time and at such time(s) as Indemnitee deems appropriate in Indemnitee's sole discretion. The officer of the Company receiving any such request from Indemnitee shall, promptly upon receipt of such a request for indemnification, advise the Board of Directors in writing that Indemnitee has requested indemnification.

(b) Upon written request by Indemnitee for indemnification pursuant to Section 10(a) above, a determination, if required by applicable law, with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement thereto shall promptly be made in the specific case: (i) if a Change in Control has occurred, by Independent Counsel, in a written opinion to the Board of Directors, a copy of which shall be delivered to

Indemnitee, which Independent Counsel shall be selected by the Indemnitee and approved by the Board of Directors in accordance with Section 2-418(e)(2)(ii) of the MGCL, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld; or (ii) if a Change in Control has not occurred, (A) by a majority vote of the Disinterested Directors or, by the majority vote of a group of Disinterested Directors designated by the Disinterested Directors to make the determination, (B) if Independent Counsel has been selected by the Board of Directors in accordance with Section 2-418(e)(2)(ii) of the MGCL and approved by the Indemnitee, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, by Independent Counsel, in a written opinion to the Board of Directors, a copy of which shall be delivered to Indemnitee or (C) if so directed by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors, by the stockholders of the Company, other than directors or officers who are parties to the Proceeding. If it is so determined that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Company shall make payment to Indemnitee within ten days after such determination. Indemnitee shall cooperate with the person, persons or entity making such determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification, including providing to such person, persons or entity upon reasonable advance request any documentation or information which is not privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure and which is reasonably available to Indemnitee and reasonably necessary or appropriate to such determination in the discretion of the Board of Directors or Independent Counsel if retained pursuant to clause (ii)(B) of this Section 10(b). Any Expenses incurred by Indemnitee in so cooperating with the person, persons or entity making such determination shall be borne by the Company (irrespective of the determination as to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification) and the Company shall indemnify and hold Indemnitee harmless therefrom.

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- (c) The Company shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of Independent Counsel, if one is appointed.

Section 11. Presumptions and Effect of Certain Proceedings.

(a) In making any determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification hereunder, the person or persons or entity making such determination shall presume that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification under this Agreement if Indemnitee has submitted a request for indemnification in accordance with Section 10(a) of this Agreement, and the Company shall have the burden of overcoming that presumption in connection with the making of any determination contrary to that presumption.

(b) The termination of any Proceeding or of any claim, issue or matter therein, by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, upon a plea of *nolo contendere* or its equivalent, or entry of an order of probation prior to judgment, does not create a presumption that Indemnitee did not meet the requisite standard of conduct described herein for indemnification.

(c) The knowledge and/or actions, or failure to act, of any other director, officer, employee or agent of the Company or any other director, trustee, officer, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise shall not be imputed to Indemnitee for purposes of determining any other right to indemnification under this Agreement.

(d) If Independent Counsel is engaged to make a determination regarding advance of expenses in accordance with Section 8, there shall be a rebuttable presumption by Independent Counsel that the Indemnitee did not engage in Disabling Conduct if the Indemnitee shall be a Disinterested Director, or such other person who may be entitled to such a rebuttable presumption under Section 17(h) of the Investment Company Act and judicial interpretations thereof, or interpretations thereof by the Securities and Exchange Commission or its Staff.

Section 12. Remedies of Indemnitee.

(a) If (i) a determination is made pursuant to Section 10(b) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification under this Agreement, (ii) advance of Expenses is not timely made pursuant to Sections 8 or 9 of this Agreement, (iii) no determination of entitlement to indemnification shall have been made pursuant to Section 10(b) of this Agreement within 60 days after receipt by the Company of the request for indemnification, (iv) payment of indemnification is not made pursuant to Sections 7 or 9 of this Agreement within ten days after receipt by the Company of a written request therefor, or (v) payment of indemnification pursuant to any other section of this Agreement or the charter or Bylaws of the Company is not made within ten days after a determination has been made that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, Indemnitee shall be entitled to an adjudication in an appropriate court located in the State of Maryland, or in any other court of competent jurisdiction, or in an arbitration conducted by a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association, of Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification or advance of Expenses. Indemnitee shall commence a proceeding seeking an adjudication or an award in arbitration

within 180 days following the date on which Indemnitee first has the right to commence such proceeding pursuant to this Section 12(a); provided, however, that the foregoing clause shall not apply to a proceeding brought by Indemnitee to enforce Indemnitee's rights under Section 7 of this Agreement. Except as set forth herein, the provisions of Maryland law (without regard to its conflicts of laws rules) shall apply to any such arbitration. The Company shall not oppose Indemnitee's right to seek any such adjudication or award in arbitration.

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(b) In any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 12, Indemnitee shall be presumed to be entitled to indemnification or advance of Expenses, as the case may be, under this Agreement, and the Company shall have the burden of proving that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification or advance of Expenses, as the case may be. If Indemnitee commences a judicial proceeding or arbitration pursuant to this Section 12, Indemnitee shall not be required to reimburse the Company for any advances pursuant to Section 8 of this Agreement until a final determination is made with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification (as to which all rights of appeal have been exhausted or lapsed). The Company shall, to the fullest extent not prohibited by law, be precluded from asserting in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 12 that the procedures and presumptions of this Agreement are not valid, binding and enforceable and shall stipulate in any such court or before any such arbitrator that the Company is bound by all of the provisions of this Agreement.

(c) If a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 10(b) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Company shall be bound by such determination in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 12, absent a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification that was not disclosed in connection with the determination.

(d) In the event that Indemnitee is successful in seeking, pursuant to this Section 12, a judicial adjudication of, or an award in arbitration to enforce Indemnitee's rights under, or to recover damages for breach of, this Agreement, Indemnitee shall be entitled to recover from the Company, and shall be indemnified by the Company for, any and all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee in such adjudication or arbitration. If it shall be determined in such judicial adjudication or arbitration that Indemnitee is entitled to receive part but not all of the indemnification or advance of Expenses sought, the Expenses incurred by Indemnitee in connection with such judicial adjudication or arbitration shall be appropriately prorated.

(e) Interest shall be paid by the Company to Indemnitee at the maximum rate allowed to be charged for judgments under the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland for amounts which the Company pays or is obligated to pay for the period (i) commencing with either the tenth day after the date on which the Company was requested to advance Expenses in accordance with Sections 8 or 9 of this Agreement or the 60th day after the date on which the Company was requested to make the determination of entitlement to indemnification under Section 10(b) of this Agreement, as applicable, and (ii) ending on the date such payment is made to Indemnitee by the Company.

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Section 13. Defense of the Underlying Proceeding.

(a) Indemnitee shall notify the Company promptly in writing upon being served with any summons, citation, subpoena, complaint, indictment, request or other document relating to any Proceeding which may result in the right to indemnification or the advance of Expenses hereunder and shall include with such notice a description of the nature of the Proceeding and a summary of the facts underlying the Proceeding. The failure to give any such notice shall not disqualify Indemnitee from the right, or otherwise affect in any manner any right of Indemnitee, to indemnification or the advance of Expenses under this Agreement unless the Company's ability to defend in such Proceeding or to obtain proceeds under any insurance policy is materially and adversely prejudiced thereby, and then only to the extent the Company is thereby actually so prejudiced.

(b) Subject to the provisions of the last sentence of this Section 13(b) and of Section 13(c) below, the Company shall have the right to defend Indemnitee in any Proceeding which may give rise to indemnification hereunder; provided, however, that the Company shall notify Indemnitee of any such decision to defend within 15 calendar days following receipt of notice of any such Proceeding under Section 13(a) above. The Company shall not, without the prior written consent of Indemnitee, which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, consent to the entry of any judgment against Indemnitee or enter into any settlement or compromise which (i) includes an admission of fault of Indemnitee, (ii) does not include, as an unconditional term thereof, the full release of Indemnitee from all liability in respect of such Proceeding, which release shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Indemnitee, or (iii) would impose any Expense, judgment, fine, penalty or limitation on Indemnitee. This Section 13(b) shall not apply to a Proceeding brought by Indemnitee under Section 12 of this Agreement.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 13(b) above, if in a Proceeding to which Indemnitee is a party by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, (i) Indemnitee reasonably concludes, based upon an opinion of counsel approved by the Company, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, that Indemnitee may have separate defenses or counterclaims to assert with respect to any issue which may not be consistent with other defendants in such Proceeding, (ii) Indemnitee reasonably concludes, based upon an opinion of counsel approved by the Company, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, that an actual or apparent conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest exists between Indemnitee and the Company, or (iii) if the Company fails to assume the defense of such Proceeding in a timely manner, Indemnitee shall be entitled to be represented by separate legal counsel of Indemnitee's choice, subject to the prior approval of the Company, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, at the expense of the Company. In addition, if the Company fails to comply with any of its obligations under this Agreement or in the event that the Company or any other person takes any action to declare this Agreement void or unenforceable, or institutes any Proceeding to deny or to recover from Indemnitee the benefits intended to be provided to Indemnitee hereunder, Indemnitee shall have the right to retain counsel of Indemnitee's choice, subject to the prior approval of the Company, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, at the expense of the Company (subject to Section 12(d) of this Agreement), to represent Indemnitee in connection with any such matter.

Section 14. Non-Exclusivity; Survival of Rights; Subrogation.

(a) The rights of indemnification and advance of Expenses as provided by this Agreement shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which Indemnitee may at any time be entitled under applicable law, the charter or Bylaws of the Company, any agreement or a resolution of the stockholders entitled to vote generally in the election of directors or of the Board of Directors, or otherwise. Unless consented to in writing by Indemnitee, no amendment, alteration or repeal of the charter or Bylaws of the Company, this Agreement or of any provision hereof shall limit or restrict any right of Indemnitee under this Agreement in respect of any action taken or omitted by such Indemnitee in Indemnitee's Corporate Status prior to such amendment, alteration or repeal, regardless of whether a claim with respect to such action or inaction is raised prior or subsequent to such amendment, alteration or repeal. No right or remedy herein conferred is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every other right or remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other right or remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prohibit the concurrent assertion or employment of any other right or remedy.

(b) In the event of any payment under this Agreement, the Company shall be subrogated to the extent of such payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee, who shall execute all papers required and take all action necessary to secure such rights, including execution of such documents as are necessary to enable the Company to bring suit to enforce such rights.

Section 15. Insurance.

(a) The Company will use its reasonable best efforts to acquire directors and officers liability insurance, on terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors, with the advice of counsel, covering Indemnitee or any claim made against Indemnitee by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status and covering the Company for any indemnification or advance of Expenses made by the Company to Indemnitee for any claims made against Indemnitee by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status. In the event of a Change in Control, the Company shall maintain in force any and all directors and officers liability insurance policies that were maintained by the Company immediately prior to the Change in Control for a period of six years with the insurance carrier or carriers and through the insurance broker in place at the time of the Change in Control; provided, however, (i) if the carriers will not offer the same policy and an expiring policy needs to be replaced, a policy substantially comparable in scope and amount shall be

obtained and (ii) if any replacement insurance carrier is necessary to obtain a policy substantially comparable in scope and amount, such insurance carrier shall have an AM Best rating that is the same or better than the AM Best rating of the existing insurance carrier; provided, further, however, in no event shall the Company be required to expend in the aggregate in excess of 250% of the annual premium or premiums paid by the Company for directors and officers liability insurance in effect on the date of the Change in Control. In the event that 250% of the annual premium paid by the Company for such existing directors and officers liability insurance is insufficient for such coverage, the Company shall spend up to that amount to purchase such lesser coverage as may be obtained with such amount.

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(b) Without in any way limiting any other obligation under this Agreement, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee for any payment by Indemnitee which would otherwise be indemnifiable hereunder arising out of the amount of any deductible or retention and the amount of any excess of the aggregate of all judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and Expenses incurred by Indemnitee in connection with a Proceeding over the coverage of any insurance referred to in Section 15(a). The purchase, establishment and maintenance of any such insurance shall not in any way limit or affect the rights or obligations of the Company or Indemnitee under this Agreement except as expressly provided herein, and the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Company and the Indemnitee shall not in any way limit or affect the rights or obligations of the Company under any such insurance policies. If, at the time the Company receives notice from any source of a Proceeding to which Indemnitee is a party or a participant (as a witness or otherwise) the Company has director and officer liability insurance in effect, the Company shall give prompt notice of such Proceeding to the insurers in accordance with the procedures set forth in the respective policies.

(c) The Indemnitee shall cooperate with the Company or any insurance carrier of the Company with respect to any Proceeding.

Section 16. Coordination of Payments. The Company shall not be liable under this Agreement to make any payment of amounts otherwise indemnifiable or payable or reimbursable as Expenses hereunder if and to the extent that Indemnitee has otherwise actually received such payment under any insurance policy, contract, agreement or otherwise.

Section 17. Contribution. If the indemnification provided in this Agreement is unavailable in whole or in part and may not be paid to Indemnitee for any reason, other than for failure to satisfy the standard of conduct set forth in Section 4 or due to the provisions of Section 5, then, in respect to any Proceeding in which the Company is jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be joined in such Proceeding), to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, the Company, in lieu of indemnifying and holding harmless Indemnitee, shall pay, in the first instance, the entire amount incurred by Indemnitee, whether for Expenses, judgments, penalties, and/or amounts paid or to be paid in settlement, in connection with any Proceeding without requiring Indemnitee to contribute to such payment, and the Company hereby waives and relinquishes any right of contribution it may have at any time against Indemnitee.

Section 18. Reports to Stockholders. To the extent required by the MGCL, the Company shall report in writing to its stockholders the payment of any amounts for indemnification of, or advance of Expenses to, Indemnitee under this Agreement arising out of a Proceeding by or in the right of the Company with the notice of the meeting of stockholders of the Company next following the date of the payment of any such indemnification or advance of Expenses or prior to such meeting.

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Section 19. Duration of Agreement; Binding Effect.

(a) This Agreement shall continue until and terminate on the later of (i) the date that Indemnitee shall have ceased to serve as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company or as a director, trustee, officer, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other foreign or domestic corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise that such person is or was serving in such capacity at the request of the Company and (ii) the date that Indemnitee is no longer subject to any actual or possible Proceeding (including any rights of appeal thereto and any Proceeding commenced by Indemnitee pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement).

(b) The indemnification and advance of Expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, this Agreement shall be binding upon and be enforceable by the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns (including any direct or indirect successor by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise to all or substantially all of the business or assets of the Company), shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company or a director, trustee, officer, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise that such person is or was serving in such capacity at the request of the Company, and shall inure to the benefit of Indemnitee and Indemnitee's spouse, assigns, heirs, devisees, executors and administrators and other legal representatives.

(c) The Company shall require and cause any successor (whether direct or indirect by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise) to all, substantially all or a substantial part, of the business and/or assets of the Company, by written agreement in form and substance satisfactory to Indemnitee, expressly to assume and agree to perform this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent that the Company would be required to perform if no such succession had taken place.

(d) The Company and Indemnitee agree that a monetary remedy for breach of this Agreement, at some later date, may be inadequate, impracticable and difficult of proof, and further agree that such breach may cause Indemnitee irreparable harm. Accordingly, the parties hereto agree that Indemnitee may enforce this Agreement by seeking injunctive relief and/or specific performance hereof, without any necessity of showing actual damage or irreparable harm and that by seeking injunctive relief and/or specific performance, Indemnitee shall not be precluded from seeking or obtaining any other relief to which Indemnitee may be entitled. Indemnitee shall further be entitled to such specific performance and injunctive relief, including temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions and permanent injunctions, without the necessity of posting bonds or other undertakings in connection therewith. The Company acknowledges that, in the absence of a waiver, a bond or undertaking may be required of Indemnitee by a court, and the Company hereby waives any such requirement of such a bond or undertaking.

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Section 20. Severability. If any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, void, illegal or otherwise unenforceable for any reason whatsoever: (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any Section, paragraph or sentence of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and shall remain enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law; (b) such provision or provisions shall be deemed reformed to the extent necessary to conform to applicable law and to give the maximum effect to the intent of the parties hereto; and (c) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any Section, paragraph or sentence of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to give effect to the intent manifested thereby.

Section 21. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, (delivery of which may be by facsimile, or via e-mail as a portable document format (.pdf) or other electronic format), each of which will be deemed to be an original, and it will not be necessary in making proof of this agreement or the terms of this Agreement to produce or account for more than one such counterpart. One such counterpart signed by the party against whom enforceability is sought shall be sufficient to evidence the existence of this Agreement.

Section 22. Headings. The headings of the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to constitute part of this Agreement or to affect the construction thereof.

Section 23. Modification and Waiver. No supplement, modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by both of the parties hereto. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provisions hereof (whether or not similar) nor, unless otherwise expressly stated, shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver.

Section 24. Notices. All notices, requests, demands and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if (i) delivered by hand and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed, on the day of such delivery, or (ii) mailed by certified or registered mail with postage prepaid, on the third business day after the date on which it is so mailed:

(a) If to Indemnitee, to the address set forth on the signature page hereto.

(b) If to the Company, to:

Brightwood Capital Corporation I
810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10019

or to such other address as may have been furnished in writing to Indemnitee by the Company or to the Company by Indemnitee, as the case may be.

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Section 25. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Maryland, without regard to its conflicts of laws rules.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

INDEMNITEE

Name: _____

Address: _____

EXHIBIT A

AFFIRMATION AND UNDERTAKING TO REPAY EXPENSES ADVANCED

To: The Board of Directors of Brightwood Capital Corporation I

Re: Affirmation and Undertaking

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This Affirmation and Undertaking is being provided pursuant to that certain Indemnification Agreement dated the ____ day of _____, 2022, by and between Brightwood Capital Corporation I, a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), and the undersigned Indemnitee (the "Indemnification Agreement"), pursuant to which I am entitled to advance of Expenses in connection with **[Description of Proceeding]** (the "Proceeding").

Terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings specified in the Indemnification Agreement.

I am subject to the Proceeding by reason of my Corporate Status or by reason of alleged actions or omissions by me in such capacity. I hereby affirm my good faith belief that at all times, insofar as I was involved as **[a director] [and] [an officer]** of the Company, in any of the facts or events giving rise to the Proceeding, I (1) did not act with bad faith or active or deliberate dishonesty, and did not engage in Disabling Conduct, (2) did not receive any improper personal benefit in money, property or services and (3) in the case of any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that any act or omission by me was unlawful.

In consideration of the advance by the Company for Expenses incurred by me in connection with the Proceeding (the "Advanced Expenses"), I hereby agree that if, in connection with the Proceeding, it is established that (1) an act or omission by me was material to the matter giving rise to the Proceeding and (a) was committed in bad faith or (b) was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty or Disabling Conduct or (2) I actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (3) in the case of any criminal proceeding, I had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful, then I shall promptly reimburse the portion of the Advanced Expenses relating to the claims, issues or matters in the Proceeding as to which the foregoing findings have been established.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Affirmation and Undertaking on this ____ day of _____, 2022.

Name: _____

CUSTODY AGREEMENT

THIS CUSTODY AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the last date on the signature page, by and between **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I**, a Maryland corporation, (the “Fund”) and **U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**, a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America with its principal place of business at Minneapolis, Minnesota (the “Custodian”).

WHEREAS, the Fund is a closed-end management investment company, which intends to elect to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”);

WHEREAS, Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, serves as administrator and investment manager to the Fund (the “Fund Administrator” or the “Investment Manager”);

WHEREAS, the Custodian is a bank having the qualifications prescribed in Section 26(a)(1) of the 1940 Act;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (as defined below) has delegated to the Custodian the responsibilities set forth in Rule 17f-5(c) under the 1940 Act and the Custodian is willing to undertake the responsibilities and serve as the foreign custody manager for the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Fund desires to retain the Custodian to act as custodian of its cash and securities.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in this Agreement, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings set forth below unless the context otherwise requires:

1.01 “Authorized Person” means any Officer or person (including an authorized person of one of the Fund Administrator or the Investment Manager) or other agent who has been designated by written notice as such from the Fund, the Fund Administrator or the Investment Manager, or other agent and is named in Exhibit B attached hereto. Such officer or person shall continue to be an Authorized Person until such time as the Custodian receives Written Instructions from the Fund or the Fund’s investment advisor or other agent that any such person is no longer an Authorized Person.

1.02 “Board of Directors” shall mean the directors from time to time serving under the Fund’s declaration of trust, as amended from time to time.

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1.03 “Book-Entry System” shall mean a federal book-entry system as provided in Subpart O of Treasury Circular No. 300, 31 CFR 306, in Subpart B of 31 CFR Part 350, or in such book-entry regulations of federal agencies as are substantially in the form of such Subpart O.

1.04 “Business Day” shall mean any day recognized as a settlement day by The New York Stock Exchange, Inc., and any other day for which the Fund computes the net asset value of Shares of the Fund.

1.05 “Eligible Foreign Custodian” has the meaning set forth in Rule 17f-5(a)(1), including a majority-owned or indirect subsidiary of a U.S. Bank (as defined in Rule 17f-5), a bank holding company meeting the requirements of an Eligible Foreign Custodian (as set forth in Rule 17f-5 or by other appropriate action of the SEC), or a foreign branch of a Bank (as defined in Section 2(a)(5) of the 1940 Act) meeting the requirements of a custodian under Section 17(f) of the 1940 Act; the term does not include any Eligible Securities Depository.

1.06 “Eligible Securities Depository” shall mean a system for the central handling of securities as that term is defined in Rule 17f-4 and 17f-7 under the 1940 Act.

1.07 “Foreign Securities” means any of the Fund’s investments (including foreign currencies) for which the primary market is outside the United States and such cash and cash equivalents as are reasonably necessary to effect the Fund’s transactions in such investments.

1.08 “Fund Custody Account” shall mean any of the accounts in the name of the Fund, which is provided for in Section 3.02 below.

1.09 “IRS” shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

1.10 “FINRA” shall mean the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.

1.11 “Loan” means any U.S. dollar denominated commercial loan, or participation therein, made by a bank or other financial institution that by its terms provides for payments of principal and/or interest, including discount obligations and payment- in-kind obligations, acquired by any Fund from time to time.

1.12 “Loan Checklist” means a list delivered to the Custodian in connection with delivery of a Loan to the Custodian that identifies the items contained in the related Loan File.

1.13 “Loan Documents” means those documents related to Loans to the extent delivered to the Custodian.

1.14 “Loan File” means, with respect to each Loan delivered to the Custodian, each of the Loan Documents identified on the related Loan Checklist.

1.15 “Loan Trade Confirmation” means a confirmation to the Custodian from the Fund of the Fund’s acquisition of a Loan, and setting forth applicable information with respect to such Loan, which confirmation may be in the form of Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof, subject to such changes or additions as may be agreed to by, or in such other form as may be agreed to by, the Custodian and the Fund from time to time

1.16 “Noteless Loan” means a Loan with respect to which (i) the related loan agreement does not require the obligor to execute and deliver an Underlying Note to evidence the indebtedness created under such Loan and (ii) no Underlying Notes are outstanding with respect to the portion of the Loan transferred to a Fund.

1.17 “Officer” shall mean the Chairman, President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, the Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer of the Fund.

1.18 “Participation” means an interest in a Loan that is acquired indirectly by way of a participation from a selling institution.

1.19 “Proper Instructions” shall mean Written Instructions.

1.20 “SEC” shall mean the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

1.21 “Securities” shall include, without limitation, common and preferred stocks, bonds, call options, put options, debentures, notes, bank certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, mortgage-backed securities or other obligations, and any certificates, receipts, warrants or other instruments or documents representing rights to receive, purchase or subscribe for the same, or evidencing or

representing any other rights or interests therein, or any similar property or assets that the Custodian or its agents have the facilities to clear and service.

1.22 “Securities Depository” shall mean The Depository Trust Company and any other clearing agency registered with the SEC under Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “1934 Act”), which acts as a system for the central handling of Securities where all Securities of any particular class or series of an issuer deposited within the system are treated as fungible and may be transferred or pledged by bookkeeping entry without physical delivery of the Securities.

1.23 “Shares” shall mean, with respect to the Fund, the shares of common stock issued by the Fund on account of the Fund.

1.24 “Sub-Custodian” shall mean and include (i) any branch of a “U.S. bank,” as that term is defined in Rule 17f-5 under the 1940 Act, and (ii) any “Eligible Foreign Custodian”, as that term is defined in Rule 17f-5 under the 1940 Act, having a contract with the Custodian which the Custodian has determined will provide reasonable care of assets of the Fund based on the standards specified in Section 3.03 below. Such contract shall be in writing and shall include provisions that provide: (i) for indemnification or insurance arrangements (or any combination of the foregoing) such that the Fund will be adequately protected against the risk of loss of assets held in accordance with such contract; (ii) that the Foreign Securities will not be subject to any right, charge, security interest, lien or claim of any kind in favor of the Sub-Custodian or its creditors except a claim of payment for their safe custody or administration, in the case of cash deposits, liens or rights in favor of creditors of the Sub-Custodian arising under bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar laws; (iii) that beneficial ownership for the Foreign Securities will be freely transferable without the payment of money or value other than for safe custody or administration; (iv) that adequate records will be maintained identifying the assets as belonging to the Fund or as being held by a third party for the benefit of the Fund; (v) that the Fund’s independent public accountants will be given access to those records or confirmation of the contents of those records; and (vi) that the Fund will receive periodic reports with respect to the safekeeping of the Fund’s assets, including, but not limited to, notification of any transfer to or from the Fund’s account or a third party account containing assets held for the benefit of the Fund. Such contract may contain, in lieu of any or all of the provisions specified in (i)-(vi) above, such other provisions that the Custodian determines will provide, in their entirety, the same or a greater level of care and protection for Fund assets as the specified provisions.

1.25 “Underlying Note” means the one or more promissory notes executed by an obligor evidencing a Loan.

1.26 “Written Instructions” shall mean (i) written communications received by the Custodian and signed by an Authorized Person, (ii) communications by facsimile or Internet electronic e-mail or any other such system from one or more persons reasonably believed by the Custodian to be an Authorized Person, or (iii) communications between electronic devices.

ARTICLE II.

APPOINTMENT OF CUSTODIAN

2.01 Appointment. The Fund hereby appoints the Custodian as custodian of all Securities and cash owned by or in the possession of the Fund at any time during the period of this Agreement, on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, and the Custodian hereby accepts such appointment and agrees to perform the services and duties set forth in this Agreement. Fund hereby delegates to the Custodian, subject to Rule 17f-5(b), the responsibilities with respect to the Fund’s Foreign Securities, and the Custodian hereby accepts such delegation as foreign custody manager with respect to the Fund. The services and duties of the Custodian shall be confined to those matters expressly set forth herein, and no implied duties are assumed by or may be asserted against the Custodian hereunder.

2.02 Documents to be Furnished. The following documents, including any amendments thereto, will be provided contemporaneously with the execution of the Agreement to the Custodian by the Fund:

- (a) A copy of the Fund’s articles of incorporation, certified by the Secretary;
- (b) A copy of the Fund’s bylaws, certified by the Secretary;
- (c) A copy of the resolution of the Board of Directors of the Fund appointing the Custodian, certified by the Secretary;

- (d) A copy of the current private placement memorandum of the Fund (the “Prospectus”);
- (e) A certification of the Chairman or the President and the Secretary of the Fund setting forth the names and signatures of the current Officers of the Fund and other Authorized Persons; and

- (f) An executed authorization required by the Shareholder Communications Act of 1985, attached hereto as Exhibit C.

2.03 Notice of Appointment of Transfer Agent. The Fund agrees to notify the Custodian in writing of the appointment, termination or change in appointment of any transfer agent of the Fund, except if the Fund appoints an affiliate of the Custodian to serve as transfer agent of the Fund, the Custodian hereby waives the Fund’s obligation to provide such written notice.

ARTICLE III.

CUSTODY OF CASH AND SECURITIES

3.01 Segregation. All Securities and non-cash property held by the Custodian for the account of the Fund (other than Securities maintained in a Securities Depository, Eligible Securities Depository or Book-Entry System) shall be physically segregated from other Securities and non-cash property in the possession of the Custodian (including the Securities and non-cash property of the other series of the Fund, if applicable) and shall be identified as subject to this Agreement.

3.02 Fund Custody and Cash Accounts. The Custodian shall open and maintain in its fund custody department: (x) a custody account in the name of the Fund coupled with the name of the Fund, subject only to draft or order of the Custodian, in which the Custodian shall enter and carry all Securities (other than Loans), cash and other assets of the Fund which are delivered to it and (y) cash accounts, including any subaccounts, in the name of the Fund, subject only to draft or order of the Custodian, in which the Custodian shall enter and carry all principal and interest received with respect to the Loans. The amounts held in the cash in the custody account but shall instead maintain a register (in book-entry form or in such other form as it shall deem necessary or desirable) of such Loans, containing such information as the Fund and the Custodian may reasonably agree. The Custodian shall be authorized to open such additional accounts as may be necessary or convenient for administration of its duties hereunder.

3.03 Appointment of Agents.

- In its discretion, the Custodian may appoint one or more Sub-Custodians to establish and maintain arrangements with
- (i) Eligible Securities Depositories or
 - (ii) Eligible Foreign Custodians that are members of the Sub-Custodian’s network to hold Securities and cash of the Fund and to carry out such other provisions of this Agreement as it may determine; provided,
- (a) however, that the appointment of any such agents and maintenance of any Securities and cash of the Fund shall be at the Custodian's expense and shall not relieve the Custodian of any of its obligations or liabilities under this Agreement. The Custodian shall be liable for the actions of any Sub-Custodians (regardless of whether assets are maintained in the custody of a Sub-Custodian, a member of its network or an Eligible Securities Depository) appointed by it as if such actions had been done by the Custodian.

- If, after the initial appointment of Sub-Custodians by the Board of Directors in connection with this Agreement, the Custodian
- (b) wishes to appoint other Sub-Custodians to hold property of the Fund, it will so notify the Fund and make the necessary determinations as to any such new Sub-Custodian's eligibility under Rule 17f-5 under the 1940 Act.

- In performing its delegated responsibilities as foreign custody manager to place or maintain the Fund’s assets with a Sub-Custodian, the Custodian will determine that the Fund’s assets will be subject to reasonable care, based on the standards
- (c) applicable to custodians in the country in which the Fund’s assets will be held by that Sub-Custodian, after considering all factors relevant to safekeeping of such assets, including, without limitation the factors specified in Rule 17f-5(c)(1).

- (d) The agreement between the Custodian and each Sub-Custodian acting hereunder shall contain the required provisions set forth in Rule 17f-5(c)(2) under the 1940 Act.

- At the end of each calendar quarter after the date of this Agreement, the Custodian shall provide written reports notifying the Board of Directors of the withdrawal or placement of the Securities and cash of the Fund with a Sub-Custodian and of any material changes in the Fund's arrangements. Such reports shall include an analysis of the custody risks associated with maintaining assets with any Eligible Securities Depositories. The Custodian shall promptly take such steps as may be required to withdraw assets of the Fund from any Sub-Custodian arrangement that has ceased to meet the requirements of Rule 17f-5 or Rule 17f-7 under the 1940 Act, as applicable.
- (e)

- With respect to its responsibilities under this Section 3.03, the Custodian hereby warrants to the Fund that it agrees to exercise reasonable care, prudence and diligence such as a person having responsibility for the safekeeping of property of the Fund; provided, however, with respect to custody of any Loans, the Custodian's responsibility shall be limited to the exercise of reasonable care by the Custodian in the physical custody of any such documents delivered to it, and any related instrument, security, credit agreement, assignment agreement and/or other agreements or documents, if any, that may be delivered to it. The Custodian further warrants that the Fund's assets will be subject to reasonable care if maintained with a Sub-Custodian, after
- (f) considering all factors relevant to the safekeeping of such assets, including, without limitation: (i) the Sub-Custodian's practices, procedures, and internal controls for certificated securities (if applicable), its method of keeping custodial records, and its security and data protection practices; (ii) whether the Sub-Custodian has the requisite financial strength to provide reasonable care for Fund assets; (iii) the Sub-Custodian's general reputation and standing and, in the case of a Securities Depository, the Securities Depository's operating history and number of participants; and (iv) whether the Fund will have jurisdiction over and be able to enforce judgments against the Sub-Custodian, such as by virtue of the existence of any offices of the Sub-Custodian in the United States or the Sub-Custodian's consent to service of process in the United States.

- The Custodian shall establish a system or ensure that its Sub-Custodian has established a system to monitor on a continuing basis (i) the appropriateness of maintaining the Fund's assets with a Sub-Custodian or Eligible Foreign Custodians who are members of a Sub-Custodian's network; (ii) the performance of the contract governing the Fund's arrangements with such Sub-Custodian or Eligible Foreign Custodian's members of a Sub-Custodian's network; and (iii) the custody risks of maintaining assets with an Eligible Securities Depository. The Custodian must promptly notify the Fund or its investment adviser of any material change in these risks.
- (g)

- The Custodian shall use commercially reasonable efforts to collect all income and other payments with respect to Foreign Securities to which the Fund shall be entitled and shall credit such income, as collected, to the Fund. In the event that
- (h) extraordinary measures are required to collect such income, the Fund and Custodian shall consult as to the measurers and as to the compensation and expenses of the Custodian relating to such measures.

3.04 Delivery of Assets to Custodian. The Fund shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Custodian all of the Fund's Securities, cash and other investment assets, including (i) all payments of income, payments of principal and capital distributions received by the Fund with respect to such Securities, cash or other assets owned by the Fund at any time during the period of this Agreement, and (ii) all cash received by the Fund for the issuance of Shares. The Custodian shall not be responsible for such Securities, cash or other assets until actually received by it.

3.05 Securities Depositories and Book-Entry Systems. The Custodian may deposit and/or maintain Securities (excluding Loans) of the Fund in a Securities Depository or in a Book-Entry System, subject to the following provisions:

- (a) The Custodian, on an on-going basis, shall deposit in a Securities Depository or Book-Entry System all Securities eligible for deposit therein and shall make use of such Securities Depository or Book-Entry System to the extent possible and practical in connection with its performance hereunder, including, without limitation, in connection with settlements of purchases and sales of Securities, loans of Securities, and deliveries and returns of collateral consisting of Securities.

- Securities (other than Loans) of the Fund kept in a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository shall be kept in an account
- (b) (“Depository Account”) of the Custodian in such Book-Entry System or Securities Depository which includes only assets held by the Custodian as a fiduciary, custodian or otherwise for customers.
 - (c) The records of the Custodian with respect to Securities of the Fund maintained in a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository shall, by book-entry, identify such Securities (other than Loans) as belonging to the Fund.

- If Securities purchased by the Fund are to be held in a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository, the Custodian shall pay for such Securities upon: (i) receipt of advice from the Book-Entry System or Securities Depository that such Securities have been transferred to the Depository Account; and (ii) the making of an entry on the records of the Custodian to reflect such payment
- (d) and transfer for the account of the Fund. If Securities sold by the Fund are held in a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository, the Custodian shall transfer such Securities upon (i) receipt of advice from the Book-Entry System or Securities Depository that payment for such Securities has been transferred to the Depository Account; and (ii) the making of an entry on the records of the Custodian to reflect such transfer and payment for the account of the Fund.

- The Custodian shall provide the Fund with copies of any report (obtained by the Custodian from a Book-Entry System or
- (e) Securities Depository in which Securities of the Fund are kept) on the internal accounting controls and procedures for safeguarding Securities deposited in such Book-Entry System or Securities Depository.

- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Custodian shall be liable to the Fund for any loss or damage to the Fund resulting from: (i) the use of a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository by reason of any negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Custodian or any Sub-Custodian; or (ii) failure of the Custodian or any Sub-Custodian to enforce
- (f) effectively such rights as it may have against a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository. At its election, the Fund shall be subrogated to the rights of the Custodian with respect to any claim against a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository or any other person from any loss or damage to the Fund arising from the use of such Book-Entry System or Securities Depository, if and to the extent that the Fund has not been made whole for any such loss or damage.

- With respect to its responsibilities under this Section 3.05 and pursuant to Rule 17f-4 under the 1940 Act, the Custodian hereby warrants to the Fund that it agrees to (i) exercise due care in accordance with reasonable commercial standards in discharging its duty as a securities intermediary to obtain and thereafter maintain such assets, (ii) provide, promptly upon request by the
- (g) Fund, such reports as are available concerning the Custodian’s internal accounting controls and financial strength, and (iii) require any Sub-Custodian to exercise due care in accordance with reasonable commercial standards in discharging its duty as a securities intermediary to obtain and thereafter maintain assets corresponding to the security entitlements of its entitlement holders.

3.06 Disbursement of Moneys from Fund Custody Account. Upon receipt of Written Instructions, the Custodian shall disburse moneys from the Fund Custody Account but only in the following cases:

- For the purchase of Securities for the Fund but only in accordance with Section 4.01 of this Agreement and only (i) in the case of Securities (other than options on Securities, futures contracts and options on futures contracts), against the delivery to the Custodian (or any Sub-Custodian) of such Securities registered as provided in Section 3.09 below or in proper form for transfer, or if the purchase of such Securities is effected through a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository, in accordance with the conditions set forth in Section 3.05 above; (ii) in the case of options on Securities, against delivery to the Custodian (or any Sub-Custodian) of such receipts as are required by the customs prevailing among dealers in such options; (iii) in the case of
- (a) futures contracts and options on futures contracts, against delivery to the Custodian (or any Sub-Custodian) of evidence of title thereto in favor of the Fund or any nominee referred to in Section 3.09 below; and (iv) in the case of repurchase or reverse repurchase agreements entered into between the Fund and a bank that is a member of the Federal Reserve System or between the Fund and a primary dealer in U.S. Government securities, against delivery of the purchased Securities either in certificate form or through an entry crediting the Custodian’s account at a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository with such Securities;
 - (b) In connection with the conversion, exchange or surrender, as set forth in Section 3.07(f) below, of Securities owned by the Fund;

(c) For the payment of any dividends or capital gain distributions declared by the Fund;

(d) In payment of the redemption price of Shares as provided in Section 5.01 below;

(e) For the payment of any expense or liability incurred by the Fund, including, but not limited to, the following payments for the account of the Fund: interest; taxes; administration, investment advisory, accounting, auditing, transfer agent, custodian, trustee and legal fees; and other operating expenses of the Fund; in all cases, whether or not such expenses are to be in whole or in part capitalized or treated as deferred expenses;

(f) For transfer in accordance with the provisions of any agreement among the Fund, the Custodian and a broker-dealer registered under the 1934 Act and a member of FINRA, relating to compliance with rules of the Options Clearing Corporation and of any registered national securities exchange (or of any similar organization or organizations) regarding escrow or other arrangements in connection with transactions by the Fund;

(g) For transfer in accordance with the provisions of any agreement among the Fund, the Custodian and a futures commission merchant registered under the Commodity Exchange Act, relating to compliance with the rules of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and/or any contract market (or any similar organization or organizations) regarding account deposits in connection with transactions by the Fund;

(h) For the funding of any uncertificated time deposit or other interest-bearing account with any banking institution (including the Custodian), which deposit or account has a term of one year or less; and

(i) For any other purpose directed by the Company, but only upon receipt of Proper Instructions specifying the amount of such payment, and naming the person or persons to whom such payment is to be made.

3.07 Delivery of Securities from Fund Custody Account. Upon receipt of Proper Instructions, the Custodian shall release and deliver, or cause the Sub-Custodian to release and deliver, Securities from the Fund Custody Account or Loan Documents but only in the following cases:

(a) Upon the sale of Securities for the account of the Fund but only against receipt of payment therefor in cash, by certified or cashiers check or bank credit;

(b) In the case of a sale effected through a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.05 above;

(c) To an offeror's depository agent in connection with tender or other similar offers for Securities of the Fund; provided that, in any such case, the cash or other consideration is to be delivered to the Custodian;

(d) To the issuer thereof or its agent (i) for transfer into the name of the Fund, the Custodian or any Sub-Custodian, or any nominee or nominees of any of the foregoing, or (ii) for exchange for a different number of certificates or other evidence representing the same aggregate face amount or number of units; provided that, in any such case, the new Securities are to be delivered to the Custodian;

(e) To the broker selling the Securities, for examination in accordance with the "street delivery" custom;

(f) For exchange or conversion pursuant to any plan of merger, consolidation, recapitalization, reorganization or readjustment of the issuer of such Securities, or pursuant to provisions for conversion contained in such Securities, or pursuant to any deposit

agreement, including surrender or receipt of underlying Securities in connection with the issuance or cancellation of depository receipts; provided that, in any such case, the new Securities and cash, if any, are to be delivered to the Custodian;

- (g) Upon receipt of payment therefor pursuant to any repurchase or reverse repurchase agreement entered into by the Fund;
- (h) In the case of warrants, rights or similar Securities, upon the exercise thereof, provided that, in any such case, the new Securities and cash, if any, are to be delivered to the Custodian;
- (i) For delivery in connection with any loans of Securities of the Fund, but only against receipt of such collateral as the Fund shall have specified to the Custodian in Proper Instructions;
- (j) For delivery as security in connection with any borrowings by the Fund requiring a pledge of assets by the Fund, but only against receipt by the Custodian of the amounts borrowed;
- (k) Pursuant to any authorized plan of liquidation, reorganization, merger, consolidation or recapitalization of the Fund;

- For delivery in accordance with the provisions of any agreement among the Fund, the Custodian and a broker-dealer registered under the 1934 Act and a member of FINRA, relating to compliance with the rules of the Options Clearing Corporation and of any registered national securities exchange (or of any similar organization or organizations) regarding escrow or other arrangements in connection with transactions by the Fund;
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- For delivery in accordance with the provisions of any agreement among the Fund, the Custodian and a futures commission merchant registered under the Commodity Exchange Act, relating to compliance with the rules of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and/or any contract market (or any similar organization or organizations) regarding account deposits in connection with transactions by the Fund;
- (m)

- For any other proper corporate purpose, but only upon receipt, in addition to Proper Instructions, specifying the Securities to be delivered, declaring such purpose to be a proper trust purpose, and naming the person or persons to whom delivery of such Securities shall be made; or
- (n)

- To brokers, clearing banks or other clearing agents for examination or trade execution in accordance with market custom;
- (o) provided that in any such case the Custodian shall have no responsibility or liability for any loss arising from the delivery of such securities prior to receiving payment for such securities except as may arise from the Custodian's own negligence or willful misconduct.

3.08 Actions Not Requiring Proper Instructions. Unless otherwise instructed by the Fund, the Custodian shall with respect to all Securities held for the Fund:

- (a) Subject to Section 9.04 below, collect on a timely basis all income and other payments to which the Fund is entitled either by law or pursuant to custom in the securities business;
- (b) Present for payment and, subject to Section 9.04 below, collect on a timely basis the amount payable upon all Securities that may mature or be called, redeemed, or retired, or otherwise become payable;
- (c) Endorse for collection, in the name of the Fund, checks, drafts and other negotiable instruments;
- (d) Surrender interim receipts or Securities in temporary form for Securities in definitive form;

- Execute, as custodian, any necessary declarations or certificates of ownership under the federal income tax laws or the laws or regulations of any other taxing authority now or hereafter in effect, and prepare and submit reports to the IRS and the Fund at such time, in such manner and containing such information as is prescribed by the IRS;
- (e)

- (f) Hold for the Fund, either directly or, with respect to Securities held therein, through a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository, all rights and similar Securities issued with respect to Securities of the Fund; and
- (g) In general, and except as otherwise directed in Proper Instructions, attend to all non-discretionary details in connection with the sale, exchange, substitution, purchase, transfer and other dealings with Securities and other assets of the Fund.

Important information related to ADR's and Preferential Tax Treatment: With respect to any ADR's you may purchase and own and which U.S. Bank (the "Bank") custodies on your behalf, you understand that the holding of American Depository Receipts ("ADRs") may require the disclosure of your beneficial ownership information (Name, Address, TIN/SSN, Share amount) by

- (h) U.S. Bank to vendors, sub-custodians, or local tax authorities in foreign jurisdictions to avoid tax penalties and obtain for you the most preferential tax treatment. You acknowledge and consent to any and all disclosures or releases of beneficial information, described above, by U.S. Bank to any third parties relating to ADRs and release, hold harmless, and indemnify the Bank from any liability for doing so.

3.09 Registration and Transfer of Securities. All Securities held for the Fund that are issued or issuable only in bearer form shall be held by the Custodian in that form, provided that any such Securities (other than Loans) shall be held in a Book-Entry System if eligible therefor. All other Securities held for the Fund may be registered in the name of the Fund, the Custodian, a Sub-Custodian or any nominee thereof, or in the name of a Book-Entry System, Securities Depository or any nominee of either thereof. The records of the Custodian with respect to the Fund's Foreign Securities that are maintained with a Sub-Custodian in an account that is identified as belonging to the Custodian for the benefit of its customers shall identify those securities as belonging to the Fund. The Fund shall furnish to the Custodian appropriate instruments to enable the Custodian to hold or deliver in proper form for transfer, or to register in the name of any of the nominees referred to above or in the name of a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository, any Securities (other than Loans) registered in the name of the Fund.

3.10 Records.

- The Custodian shall maintain complete and accurate records with respect to Securities, cash or other property held for the Fund, including (i) journals or other records of original entry containing an itemized daily record in detail of all receipts and deliveries of Securities and all receipts and disbursements of cash; (ii) ledgers (or other records) reflecting (A) Securities in transfer, (B) Securities in physical possession, (C) monies and Securities borrowed and monies and Securities loaned (together with a
- (a) record of the collateral therefor and substitutions of such collateral), (D) dividends and interest received, and (E) dividends receivable and interest receivable; (iii) canceled checks and bank records related thereto; and (iv) all records relating to its activities and obligations under this Agreement. The Custodian shall keep such other books and records of the Fund as the Fund shall reasonably request, or as may be required by the 1940 Act, including, but not limited to, Section 31 of the 1940 Act and Rule 31a-2 promulgated thereunder.

- All such books and records maintained by the Custodian shall (i) be maintained in a form acceptable to the Fund and in compliance with the rules and regulations of the SEC, (ii) be the property of the Fund and at all times during the regular
- (b) business hours of the Custodian be made available upon request for inspection by duly authorized officers, employees or agents of the Fund and employees or agents of the SEC, and (iii) if required to be maintained by Rule 31a-1 under the 1940 Act, be preserved for the periods prescribed in Rules 31a-1 and 31a-2 under the 1940 Act.

3.11 Fund Reports by Custodian. The Custodian shall furnish the Fund with a daily activity statement and a summary of all transfers to or from each Fund Custody Account on the day following such transfers. At least monthly, the Custodian shall furnish the Fund with a detailed statement of the Securities and moneys held by the Custodian and the Sub-Custodians for the Fund under this Agreement.

3.12 Other Reports by Custodian. As the Fund may reasonably request from time to time, the Custodian shall provide the Fund with reports on the internal accounting controls and procedures for safeguarding Securities which are employed by the Custodian or any Sub-Custodian.

3.13 Proxies and Other Materials. The Custodian shall cause all proxies relating to Securities that (excluding Loans) which are not registered in the name of the Fund to be promptly executed by the registered holder of such Securities (excluding Loans), without indication of the manner in which such proxies are to be voted, and shall promptly deliver to the Fund such proxies, all proxy soliciting materials and all notices relating to such Securities. With respect to the foreign Securities, the Custodian will use reasonable commercial efforts to facilitate the exercise of voting and other shareholder rights, subject to the laws, regulations and practical constraints that may exist in the country where such securities are issued. The Fund acknowledges that local conditions, including lack of regulation, onerous procedural obligations, lack of notice and other factors may have the effect of severely limiting the ability of the Fund to exercise shareholder rights.

3.14 Information on Corporate Actions. The Custodian shall promptly deliver to the Fund all information received by the Custodian and pertaining to Securities being held by the Fund with respect to optional tender or exchange offers, calls for redemption or purchase or expiration of rights. If the Fund desires to take action with respect to any tender offer, exchange offer or other similar transaction, the Fund shall notify the Custodian at least three Business Days prior to the date on which the Custodian is to take such action. The Fund will provide or cause to be provided to the Custodian all relevant information for any Security which has unique put/option provisions at least three Business Days prior to the beginning date of the tender period. The Custodian shall have no duty or obligation hereunder to take any action on behalf of the Fund, to communicate on behalf of the Fund, to collect amounts or proceeds in respect of, or otherwise to interact or exercise rights or remedies on behalf of the Fund, with respect to any Loans. All such actions and communications are the responsibility of the Fund.

ARTICLE IV.

PURCHASE AND SALE OF INVESTMENTS OF THE FUND

4.01 Purchase of Securities. Promptly upon each purchase of Securities (other than Loans) for the Fund, Written Instructions shall be delivered to the Custodian, specifying (i) the name of the issuer or writer of such Securities, and the title or other description thereof, (ii) the number of shares, principal amount (and accrued interest, if any) or other units purchased, (iii) the date of purchase and settlement, (iv) the purchase price per unit, (v) the total amount payable upon such purchase, and (vi) the name of the person to whom such amount is payable. The Custodian shall upon receipt of such Securities purchased by the Fund pay out of the moneys held for the account of the Fund the total amount specified in such Written Instructions to the person named therein. The Custodian shall not be under any obligation to pay out moneys to cover the cost of a purchase of Securities for the Fund, if in the Fund Custody Account there is insufficient cash available to the Fund for which such purchase was made.

- In connection with its acquisition of a Loan or other delivery of a Security constituting a Loan, the Fund shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Custodian a properly completed Loan Trade Confirmation containing such information in respect of such Loan as the Custodian may reasonably require in order to enable the Custodian to perform its duties
- (i) hereunder in respect of such Loan on which the Custodian may conclusively rely without further inquiry or investigation, in such form and format as the Custodian reasonably may require, and may, but is not required, deliver to the Custodian the Loan Documents for all Loans, including the Loan Checklist.

- Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, delivery of Loans acquired by the Fund which constitute Noteless Loans or Participations or which are otherwise not evidenced by a “security” or “instrument” as defined in Section 8-102 and Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC, respectively, shall be made by delivery to the Custodian of (i) in the case of a Noteless Loan, a copy of the loan register with respect to such Noteless Loan evidencing registration of such Loan on the books and records of the applicable obligor or bank agent to the name of the Fund (or its nominee) or a copy (which may be a
- (ii) facsimile copy) of an assignment agreement in favor of the Fund as assignee, and (ii) in the case of a Participation, a copy of the related participation agreement. Any duty on the part of the Custodian with respect to the custody of such Loans shall be limited to the exercise of reasonable care by the Custodian in the physical custody of any loan documents including any related instrument, security, credit agreement, assignment agreement and/or other agreements or documents, if any (collectively, “Financing Documents”), that may be delivered to it. Nothing herein shall require the Custodian to credit to the Securities Account or to treat as a financial asset (within the meaning of Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC) any

such Loan or other asset in the nature of a general intangible (as defined in Section 9-102(a)(42) of the UCC) or to “maintain” a sufficient quantity thereof.

The Custodian may assume the genuineness of any such Financing Document it may receive and the genuineness and due authority of any signatures appearing thereon, and shall be entitled to assume that each such Financing Document it may receive is what it purports to be. If an original “security” or “instrument” as defined in Section 8-102 and Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC, respectively, is or shall be or become available with respect to any Loan to be held by the Custodian under this Agreement, it shall be the sole responsibility of the Fund to make or cause delivery thereof to the Custodian, and the Custodian shall not be under any obligation at any time to determine whether any such original security or instrument has been or is required to be issued or made available in respect of any Loan or to compel or cause delivery thereof to the Custodian.

Contemporaneously with the acquisition of any Loan, the Fund may (i) cause the copies of the loan documents evidencing such Loan to be delivered to the Custodian; (ii) if requested by the Custodian, provide to the Custodian an amortization schedule of principal payments and a schedule of the interest payable date(s) identifying the amount and due dates of all scheduled principal and interest payments for such Loan and (iii) a properly completed Loan Trade Confirmation containing such information in respect of such Loan as the Custodian may reasonably require in order to enable the Custodian to perform its duties hereunder in respect of such Loan on which the Custodian may conclusively rely without further inquiry or investigation, in such form and format as the Custodian reasonably may require; (iv) take all actions reasonably necessary for the Fund to acquire good title to such Loan; and (v) take all actions as may be reasonably necessary (including appropriate payment notices and instructions to bank agents or other applicable paying agents) to cause (A) all payments in respect of the Loan to be made to the Custodian and (B) all notices, solicitations and other communications in respect of such Loan to be directed to the Fund. The Custodian shall have no liability for any delay or failure on the part of the Fund to provide necessary information to the Custodian, or for any inaccuracy therein or incompleteness thereof, or for any delay or failure on the part of the Fund to give such effective payment instruction to bank agents and other paying agents, in respect of the Loans. With respect to each such Loan, the Custodian shall be entitled to rely on any information and notices it may receive from time to time from the related bank agent, obligor or similar party with respect to the related Loan Asset, and shall be entitled to update its records (as it may deem necessary or appropriate), or from the Fund, on the basis of such information or notices received, without any obligation on its part independently to verify, investigate or recalculate such information.

4.02 Liability for Payment in Advance of Receipt of Securities Purchased. In any and every case where payment for the purchase of Securities for the Fund is made by the Custodian in advance of receipt of the Securities purchased and in the absence of specified Written Instructions to so pay in advance, the Custodian shall be liable to the Fund for such payment.

4.03 Sale of Securities. Promptly upon each sale of Securities by the Fund, Written Instructions shall be delivered to the Custodian, specifying: (i) the name of the issuer or writer of such Securities, and the title or other description thereof; (ii) the number of shares, principal amount (and accrued interest, if any), or other units sold; (iii) the date of sale and settlement, (iv) the sale price per unit; (v) the total amount payable upon such sale; and (vi) the person to whom such Securities are to be delivered. Upon receipt of the total amount payable to the Fund as specified in such Written Instructions, the Custodian shall deliver such Securities to the person specified in such Written Instructions. Subject to the foregoing, the Custodian may accept payment in such form as shall be satisfactory to it, and may deliver Securities and arrange for payment in accordance with the customs prevailing among dealers in Securities.

4.04 Delivery of Securities Sold. Notwithstanding Section 4.03 above or any other provision of this Agreement, the Custodian, when instructed to deliver Securities (excluding Loans) against payment, shall be entitled, if in accordance with generally accepted market practice, to deliver such Securities (excluding Loans) prior to actual receipt of final payment therefor. In any such case, the Fund shall bear the risk that final payment for such Securities may not be made or that such Securities may be returned or otherwise held or disposed of by or through the person to whom they were delivered, and the Custodian shall have no liability for any for the foregoing.

4.05 Payment for Securities Sold. In its sole discretion and from time to time, the Custodian may credit the Fund Custody Account, prior to actual receipt of final payment thereof, with: (i) proceeds from the sale of Securities which it has been instructed to deliver against payment; (ii) proceeds from the redemption of Securities or other assets of the Fund; and (iii) income from cash, Securities or other assets of the Fund. Any such credit shall be conditional upon actual receipt by Custodian of final payment and may

be reversed if final payment is not actually received in full. The Custodian may, in its sole discretion and from time to time, permit the Fund to use funds so credited to the Fund Custody Account in anticipation of actual receipt of final payment. Any such funds shall be repayable immediately upon demand made by the Custodian at any time prior to the actual receipt of all final payments in anticipation of which funds were credited to the Fund Custody Account.

4.06 Advances by Custodian for Settlement. The Custodian may, in its sole discretion and from time to time, advance funds to the Fund to facilitate the settlement of a Fund's transactions in the Fund Custody Account. Any such advance shall be repayable immediately upon demand made by Custodian.

ARTICLE V.

REDEMPTION OF FUND SHARES

5.01 Transfer of Funds. From such funds as may be available for the purpose in the relevant Fund Custody Account, and upon receipt of Proper Instructions specifying that the funds are required to redeem Shares of the Fund, the Custodian shall wire each amount specified in such Proper Instructions to or through such bank or broker-dealer as the Fund may designate.

5.02 No Duty Regarding Paying Banks. Once the Custodian has wired amounts to a bank or broker-dealer pursuant to Section 5.01 above, the Custodian shall not be under any obligation to effect any further payment or distribution by such bank or broker-dealer.

ARTICLE VI.

SEGREGATED ACCOUNTS

Upon receipt of Proper Instructions, the Custodian shall establish and maintain a segregated account or accounts for and on behalf of the Fund, into which account or accounts may be transferred cash and/or Securities, including Securities maintained in a Depository Account:

- in accordance with the provisions of any agreement among the Fund, the Custodian and a broker-dealer registered under the 1934 Act and a member of FINRA (or any futures commission merchant registered under the Commodity Exchange Act),
- (a) relating to compliance with the rules of the Options Clearing Corporation and of any registered national securities exchange (or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission or any registered contract market), or of any similar organization or organizations, regarding escrow or other arrangements in connection with transactions by the Fund;
- (b) for purposes of segregating cash or Securities in connection with securities options purchased or written by the Fund or in connection with financial futures contracts (or options thereon) purchased or sold by the Fund;
- (c) which constitute collateral for loans of Securities made by the Fund;
- for purposes of compliance by the Fund with requirements under the 1940 Act for the maintenance of segregated accounts by
- (d) registered investment companies in connection with reverse repurchase agreements and when-issued, delayed delivery and firm commitment transactions; and
- (e) for other proper trust purposes, but only upon receipt of Proper Instructions, setting forth the purpose or purposes of such segregated account and declaring such purposes to be proper trust purposes.

Each segregated account established under this Article VI shall be established and maintained for the Fund only. All Proper Instructions relating to a segregated account shall specify the Fund.

ARTICLE VII.

COMPENSATION OF CUSTODIAN

7.01 Compensation. The Custodian shall be compensated for providing the services set forth in this Agreement in accordance with the fee schedule set forth on Exhibit A hereto (as amended from time to time). The Custodian shall also be compensated for such miscellaneous expenses (e.g., telecommunication charges, postage and delivery charges, and reproduction charges) as are reasonably incurred by the Custodian in performing its duties hereunder. The Fund shall pay all such fees and reimbursable expenses within 30 calendar days following receipt of the billing notice, except for any fee or expense subject to a good faith dispute. The Fund shall notify the Custodian in writing within 30 calendar days following receipt of each invoice if the Fund is disputing any amounts in good faith. The Fund shall pay such disputed amounts within 10 calendar days of the day on which the parties agree to the amount to be paid. With the exception of any fee or expense the Fund is disputing in good faith as set forth above, unpaid invoices shall accrue a finance charge of 1½ % per month after the due date. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, amounts owed by the Fund to the Custodian shall only be paid out of the assets and property of the Fund.

7.02 Overdrafts. The Fund is responsible for maintaining an appropriate level of short term cash investments to accommodate cash outflows. The Fund may obtain a formal line of credit for potential overdrafts of its custody account. In the event of an overdraft or in the event the line of credit is insufficient to cover an overdraft, the overdraft amount or the overdraft amount that exceeds the line of credit will be charged in accordance with the fee schedule set forth on Exhibit A hereto (as amended from time to time)

ARTICLE VIII.

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

8.01 Representations and Warranties of the Fund. The Fund hereby represents and warrants to the Custodian, which representations and warranties shall be deemed to be continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, that:

- (a) It is duly organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with full power to carry on its business as now conducted, to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder;

This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Fund in accordance with all requisite action and

- (b) constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Fund, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application affecting the rights and remedies of creditors and secured parties; and

- (c) It is conducting its business in compliance in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations, both state and federal, and has obtained all regulatory approvals necessary to carry on its business as now conducted; there is no statute, rule, regulation, order or judgment binding on it and no provision of its charter, bylaws or any contract binding it or affecting its property which would prohibit its execution or performance of this Agreement.

8.02 Representations and Warranties of the Custodian. The Custodian hereby represents and warrants to the Fund, which representations and warranties shall be deemed to be continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, that:

- (a) It is duly organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with full power to carry on its business as now conducted, to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder;

- (b) It is a "U.S. Bank" as defined in section (a)(7) of Rule 17f-5.

- (c) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Custodian in accordance with all requisite action and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Custodian, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to

bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application affecting the rights and remedies of creditors and secured parties; and

- (d) It is conducting its business in compliance in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations, both state and federal, and has obtained all regulatory approvals necessary to carry on its business as now conducted; there is no statute, rule, regulation, order or judgment binding on it and no provision of its charter, bylaws or any contract binding it or affecting its property which would prohibit its execution or performance of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IX.

CONCERNING THE CUSTODIAN

9.01 Standard of Care. The Custodian shall exercise reasonable care in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. The Custodian shall not be liable for any error of judgment, mistake of law, shareholder fraud, or for any loss suffered by the Fund in connection with its duties under this Agreement, except a loss arising out of or relating to the Custodian's (or a Sub-Custodian's) refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement (or any sub-custody agreement) or from its (or a Sub-Custodian's) bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement (or any sub-custody agreement). The Custodian shall be entitled to rely on and may act upon advice of counsel on all matters, and shall be without liability for any action reasonably taken or omitted pursuant to such advice. The Custodian shall promptly notify the Fund of any action taken or omitted by the Custodian pursuant to advice of counsel.

9.02 Actual Collection Required. The Custodian shall not be liable for, or considered to be the custodian of, any cash belonging to the Fund or any money represented by a check, draft or other instrument for the payment of money, until the Custodian or its agents actually receive such cash or collect on such instrument.

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9.03 No Responsibility for Title, etc. So long as and to the extent that it is in the exercise of reasonable care, the Custodian shall not be responsible for the title, validity or genuineness of any property or evidence of title thereto received or delivered by it pursuant to this Agreement.

9.04 Limitation on Duty to Collect. Custodian shall not be required to enforce collection, by legal means or otherwise, of any money or property due and payable with respect to Securities held for the Fund if such Securities are in default or payment is not made after due demand or presentation.

9.05 Reliance Upon Documents and Instructions. The Custodian shall be entitled to rely upon any certificate, notice or other instrument in writing received by it and reasonably believed by it to be genuine. The Custodian shall be entitled to rely upon any Written Instructions actually received by it pursuant to this Agreement.

9.06 Cooperation. The Custodian shall cooperate with and supply necessary information to the entity or entities appointed by the Fund to keep the books of account of the Fund and/or compute the value of the assets of the Fund. The Custodian shall take all such reasonable actions as the Fund may from time to time request to enable the Fund to obtain, from year to year, favorable opinions from the Fund's independent accountants with respect to the Custodian's activities hereunder in connection with (i) the preparation of the Fund's reports on Form N-SAR, Form N-CSR and any other reports required by the SEC or any future registration statement on Form N-2, and (ii) the fulfillment by the Fund of any other requirements of the SEC.

ARTICLE X.

INDEMNIFICATION

10.01 Indemnification by Fund. The Fund shall indemnify and hold harmless the Custodian, any Sub-Custodian and any nominee thereof (each, an "Indemnified Party" and collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, reasonable expenses and liabilities of any and every nature (including reasonable attorneys' fees) that an Indemnified Party may sustain or incur or that may be asserted against an Indemnified Party by any person arising directly or indirectly (i) from the fact that Securities are registered in the name of any such nominee, (ii) from any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Custodian or such Sub-

Custodian (a) at the request or direction of or in reliance on the advice of the Fund, or (b) upon Proper Instructions, or (iii) from the performance of its obligations under this Agreement or any sub-custody agreement, provided that neither the Custodian nor any such Sub-Custodian shall be indemnified and held harmless from and against any such claim, demand, loss, expense or liability arising out of or relating to its refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement (or any sub-custody agreement), or from its bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement (or any sub-custody agreement). This indemnity shall be a continuing obligation of the Fund, its successors and assigns, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, the terms "Custodian" and "Sub-Custodian" shall include their respective directors, officers and employees.

10.02 Indemnification by Custodian. The Custodian shall indemnify and hold harmless the Fund from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, and liabilities of any and every nature (including reasonable attorneys' fees) that the Fund may sustain or incur or that may be asserted against the Fund by any person arising directly or indirectly out of any action taken or omitted to be taken by an Indemnified Party as a result of the Indemnified Party's refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement (or any sub-custody agreement), or from its bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement (or any sub-custody agreement). This indemnity shall be a continuing obligation of the Custodian, its successors and assigns, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, the term "Fund" shall include the Fund's directors, officers and employees.

10.03 Security. If the Custodian advances cash or Securities to the Fund for any purpose, either at the Fund's request or as otherwise contemplated in this Agreement, or in the event that the Custodian or its nominee incurs, in connection with its performance under this Agreement, any claim, demand, loss, expense or liability (including reasonable attorneys' fees) (except such as may arise from its or its nominee's bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct), then, in any such event, any property at any time held for the account of the Fund shall be security therefor, and should the Fund fail to promptly repay or indemnify the Custodian, the Custodian shall be entitled to utilize available cash of such Fund and to dispose of other assets of such Fund to the extent necessary to obtain reimbursement or indemnification.

10.04 Miscellaneous.

- (a) Neither party to this Agreement shall be liable to the other party for consequential, special or punitive damages under any provision of this Agreement.
- (b) The indemnity provisions of this Article shall indefinitely survive the termination and/or assignment of this Agreement.

In order that the indemnification provisions contained in this Article shall apply, it is understood that if in any case the indemnitor may be asked to indemnify or hold the indemnitee harmless, the indemnitor shall be fully and promptly advised of all pertinent facts concerning the situation in question, and it is further understood that the indemnitee will use all reasonable care to notify the indemnitor promptly concerning any situation that presents or appears likely to present the probability of a claim for indemnification. The indemnitor shall have the option to defend the indemnitee against any claim that may be the subject of this indemnification. In the event that the indemnitor so elects, it will so notify the indemnitee and thereupon the indemnitor shall take over complete defense of the claim, and the indemnitee shall in such situation initiate no further legal or other expenses for which it shall seek indemnification under this Article X. The indemnitee shall in no case confess any claim or make any compromise in any case in which the indemnitor will be asked to indemnify the indemnitee except with the indemnitor's prior written consent.

ARTICLE XI.

FORCE MAJEURE

Neither the Custodian nor the Fund shall be liable for any failure or delay in performance of its obligations under this Agreement arising out of or caused, directly or indirectly, by circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including, without limitation, acts of God; earthquakes; fires; floods; wars; civil or military disturbances; acts of terrorism; sabotage; strikes; epidemics; riots; power failures; and any such circumstances beyond its reasonable; accidents; labor disputes; acts of civil or military authority; governmental actions; or inability to obtain labor, material, equipment or transportation; provided, however, that in the event of a failure or delay, the Custodian: (i) shall not discriminate against the Fund in favor of any other customer of the Custodian in making computer time and personnel available to input or process the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; and (ii) shall use its best efforts to ameliorate the effects of any such failure or delay.

ARTICLE XII.

PROPRIETARY AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

12.01 The Custodian agrees on behalf of itself and its directors, officers, and employees to treat confidentially and as proprietary information of the Fund, all records and other information relative to the Fund and prior, present, or potential shareholders of the Fund (and clients of said shareholders), and not to use such records and information for any purpose other than the performance of its responsibilities and duties hereunder, except: (i) after prior notification to and approval in writing by the Fund, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld and may not be withheld where the Custodian may be exposed to civil or criminal contempt proceedings for failure to comply; (ii) when requested to divulge such information by duly constituted governmental or regulatory authorities with jurisdiction over the Custodian, although the Custodian will promptly report such disclosure to the Fund if disclosure is permitted by applicable law and regulation; or (iii) when so requested by the Fund. Records and other information which have become known to the public through no wrongful act of the Custodian or any of its employees, agents or representatives, and information that was already in the possession of the Custodian prior to receipt thereof from the Fund or its agent, shall not be subject to this paragraph.

12.02 Further, the Custodian will adhere to the privacy policies adopted by the Fund pursuant to Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, as may be modified from time to time. In this regard, the Custodian shall have in place and maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards reasonably designed to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of, and to prevent unauthorized access to or use of, records and information relating to the Fund and its shareholders. The Fund agrees on behalf of itself and its directors, officers, and employees to treat confidentially and as proprietary information of the Custodian, all non-public information relative to the Custodian (including, without limitation, information regarding the Custodian's pricing, products, services, customers, suppliers, financial statements, processes, know-how, trade secrets, market opportunities, past, present or future research, development or business plans, affairs, operations, systems, computer software in source code and object code form, documentation, techniques, procedures, designs, drawings, specifications, schematics, processes and/or intellectual property), and not to use such information for any purpose other than in connection with the services provided under this Agreement, except (i) after prior notification to and approval in writing by the Custodian, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld and may not be withheld where the Fund may be exposed to civil or criminal contempt proceedings for failure to comply, (ii) when requested to divulge such information by duly constituted authorities, or (iii) when so requested by the Custodian. Information which has become known to the public through no wrongful act of the Fund or any of its employees, agents or representatives, and information that was already in the possession of the Fund prior to receipt thereof from the Custodian, shall not be subject to this paragraph.

12.03 Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the Fund shall be permitted to disclose the identity of the Custodian as a service provider, redacted copies of this Agreement, and such other information as may be required in the Trust's registration or offering documents, or as may otherwise be required by applicable law, rule, or regulation, and (ii) the Custodian shall be permitted to include the name of the Fund in lists of representative clients in due diligence questionnaires, RFP responses, presentations, and other marketing and promotional purposes.

ARTICLE XIII.

EFFECTIVE PERIOD; TERMINATION

13.01 Effective Period. This Agreement shall become effective as of the date last written on the signature page and will continue in effect for a period of three (3) years.

13.02 Termination.

- (a) Following the initial term, this Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year terms unless either party provides written notice at least 90 days prior to the end of the then current term that it will not be renewing the Agreement.
- (b) Subject to Section 13.03, this Agreement may be terminated by either party upon giving 90 days' prior written notice to the other party or such shorter notice period as is mutually agreed upon by the parties.

The Custodian may terminate this Agreement in its discretion upon the sending of at least five (5) days' advance written notice to the Fund would cause the Custodian or any of its affiliates to be in violation of any applicable law, rule, regulation, or order of any governmental, regulatory or judicial authority of competent jurisdiction,; provided, that the Custodian shall not be

- (c) discharged from its duties or obligations hereunder until a new the successor custodian has been appointed. If no successor custodian shall have been appointed, or if appointed, shall not have accepted its appointment, within twenty (20) days after the resignation or removal of the Custodian, then the Fund shall appoint a successor custodian. Any termination or any amendment or waiver of this Agreement shall be effected solely by an instrument in writing executed by all the parties hereto.

- (d) This Agreement may be terminated by any party upon the breach of the other party of any material term of this Agreement if such breach is not cured within 15 days of notice of such breach to the breaching party.

The Fund may, at any time, immediately terminate this Agreement in the event of the appointment of a conservator or receiver

- (e) for the Custodian by regulatory authorities or upon the happening of a like event at the direction of an appropriate regulatory agency or court of competent jurisdiction.

13.03 Appointment of Successor Custodian. If a successor custodian shall have been appointed by the Board of Directors, the Custodian shall, upon receipt of a notice of acceptance by the successor custodian, on such specified date of termination (i) deliver directly to the successor custodian all Securities (other than Securities held in a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository) and cash then owned by the Fund and held by the Custodian as custodian, and (ii) transfer any Securities held in a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository to an account of or for the benefit of the Fund at the successor custodian, provided that the Fund shall have paid to the Custodian all fees, expenses and other amounts the payment or reimbursement of which it shall then be entitled. In addition, the Custodian shall, at the expense of the Fund, transfer to such successor all relevant books, records, correspondence, and other data established or maintained by the Custodian under this Agreement in a form reasonably acceptable to the Fund (if such form differs from the form in which the Custodian has maintained the same, the Fund shall pay any expenses associated with transferring the data to such form), and will cooperate in the transfer of such duties and responsibilities, including provision for assistance from the Custodian's personnel in the establishment of books, records, and other data by such successor. Upon such delivery and transfer, the Custodian shall be relieved of all obligations under this Agreement.

13.04 Failure to Appoint Successor Custodian. If a successor custodian is not designated by the Fund on or before the date of termination of this Agreement, then the Custodian shall have the right to deliver to a bank or trust company of its own selection, which bank or trust company: (i) is a "bank" as defined in the 1940 Act; and (ii) has aggregate capital, surplus and undivided profits as shown on its most recent published report of not less than \$25 million, all Securities, cash and other property held by the Custodian under this Agreement and to transfer to an account of or for the Fund at such bank or trust company all Securities of the Fund held in a Book-Entry System or Securities Depository. Upon such delivery and transfer, such bank or trust company shall be the successor custodian under this Agreement and the Custodian shall be relieved of all obligations under this Agreement. In addition, under these circumstances, all books, records and other data of the Fund shall be returned to the Fund.

ARTICLE XIV.

CLASS ACTIONS

The Custodian shall use its best efforts to identify and file claims for the Fund involving any class action litigation that impacts any security the Fund may have held during the class period. The Fund agrees that the Custodian may file such claims on its behalf and understands that it may be waiving and/or releasing certain rights to make claims or otherwise pursue class action defendants who settle

their claims. Further, the Fund acknowledges that there is no guarantee these claims will result in any payment or partial payment of potential class action proceeds and that the timing of such payment, if any, is uncertain.

However, the Fund may instruct the Custodian to distribute class action notices and other relevant documentation to the Fund or its designee and, if it so elects, will relieve the Custodian from any and all liability and responsibility for filing class action claims on behalf of the Fund.

ARTICLE XV.

MISCELLANEOUS

15.01 Compliance with Laws. The Fund has and retains primary responsibility for all compliance matters relating to the Fund, including but not limited to compliance with the 1940 Act, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the USA Patriot Act of 2001 and the policies and limitations of the Fund relating to its portfolio investments as set forth in its Form 10. The Custodian's services hereunder shall not relieve the Fund of its responsibilities for assuring such compliance or the Board of Directors' oversight responsibility with respect thereto. The Fund shall immediately notify the Custodian if the investment strategy of the Fund materially changes or deviates from the investment strategy that causes the Fund to file an amended prospectus with the SEC, or if it becomes subject to any new law, rule, regulation, or order of a governmental or judicial authority of competent jurisdiction that materially impacts the operations of the Fund or the services provided under this Agreement

15.02 Amendment. This Agreement may not be amended or modified in any manner except by written agreement executed by the Custodian and the Fund, and authorized or approved by the Board of Directors.

15.03 Assignment. This Agreement shall extend to and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns; provided, however, that this Agreement shall not be assignable by the Fund without the written consent of the Custodian, or by the Custodian without the written consent of the Fund accompanied by the authorization or approval of the Board of Directors.

15.04 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to conflicts of law principles. To the extent that the applicable laws of the State of Minnesota, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the applicable provisions of the 1940 Act, the latter shall control, and nothing herein shall be construed in a manner inconsistent with the 1940 Act or any rule or order of the SEC thereunder.

15.05 No Agency Relationship. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize or empower either party to act as agent for the other party to this Agreement, or to conduct business in the name, or for the account, of the other party to this Agreement.

15.06 Services Not Exclusive. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit or restrict the Custodian from providing services to other parties that are similar or identical to some or all of the services provided hereunder.

15.07 Invalidity. Any provision of this Agreement which may be determined by competent authority to be prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. In such case, the parties shall in good faith modify or substitute such provision consistent with the original intent of the parties.

15.08 Notices. Any notice required or permitted to be given by either party to the other shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given on the date delivered personally or by courier service, or three days after sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or on the date sent and confirmed received by facsimile transmission to the other party's address set forth below:

Notice to the Custodian shall be sent to:
U.S Bank, N.A.
1555 N. Rivercenter Dr., MK-WI-S302
Milwaukee, WI 53212
Attn: Tom Fuller
Phone: 414-905-6118
Fax: 866-350-5066

and notice to the Fund shall be sent to:

Brightwood Capital Corporation
c/o Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC
810 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10019
Attention: Brightwood Infrastructure
Email: Brightwood.Infrastructure@brightwoodlp.com

With a copy to:

Darilyn T. Olidge, Esq., General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer
Email: olidge@brightwoodlp.com

15.09 Multiple Originals. This Agreement may be executed on two or more counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed an original, but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

15.10 No Waiver. No failure by either party hereto to exercise, and no delay by such party in exercising, any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof. The exercise by either party hereto of any right hereunder shall not preclude the exercise of any other right, and the remedies provided herein are cumulative and not exclusive of any remedies provided at law or in equity.

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15.11 References to Custodian. The Fund shall not circulate any written material that contains any reference to the Custodian without the prior written approval of the Custodian, excepting written material contained in the Prospectus or statement of additional information for the Fund and such other written material as merely identifies the Custodian as custodian for the Fund. The Fund shall submit written material requiring approval to the Custodian in draft form, allowing sufficient time for review by the Custodian and its counsel prior to any deadline for publication.

(signatures on the following page)

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WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer on one or more counterparts as of the last date written below.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: /s/ Sengal Selassie

Name: Sengal Selassie

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: July 25, 2022

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Greg Farley

Name: Greg Farley

Title: Sr. Vice President

Date: July 25, 2022

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List of Data Elements for Loan Trade Confirmation¹

Trade Date

Issuer Description

Investment Description

CUSIP/Investment ID

Maturity Date

Coupon Rate

Currency

Quantity

Price

Trade Fees

Accrued Interest

Broker

Comments

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EXHIBIT A

Fee Schedule

Loan Custody Services Fee Schedule

- Alternative Investment Processing
- Trade Coordination
- Transaction Activity
- Corporate Actions

One time on-boarding fee: \$3,000

Based upon an annual rate of average daily market value of all long securities and cash held in the portfolio*

2.5 basis points

The fee is based on the quoted basis points time the par value of the assets excluding cash as of the 35th day of the month of December, March, June, and September, for the previous 3 months.

All Fees will be billed and auto debited in January, April, July, and October

Minimum quarterly fee per fund / series – \$5,000*

Securities custody at a separate fee and service schedule.

Additional services not included above shall be mutually agreed upon at the time of the service being added. In addition to the fees described above, additional fees may be charged to the extent that changes to applicable laws, rules or regulations require additional work or expenses related to services provided (e.g. margin management services, securities lending services, compliance with new SEC rules and reporting requirements).

*Subject to annual CPI increase– All Urban Consumers – U.S. City Average” index, provided that the CPI adjustment will not decrease the base fees (even if the cumulative CPI rate at any point in time is negative).

EXHIBIT B

AUTHORIZED PERSONS

Set forth below are the names and specimen signatures of the persons authorized by the Fund to administer the Fund Custody Accounts.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Telephone/Fax Number</u>	<u>Signature</u>

EXHIBIT C

SHAREHOLDER COMMUNICATIONS ACT AUTHORIZATION

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION

The Shareholder Communications Act of 1985 requires banks and trust companies to make an effort to permit direct communication between a company which issues securities and the shareholder who votes those securities.

Unless you specifically require us to NOT release your name and address to requesting companies, we are required by law to disclose your name and address.

Your “yes” or “no” to disclosure will apply to all U.S. securities Custodian holds for you now and in the future, unless you change your mind and notify us in writing. A “no” election may prevent Custodian from obtaining, on your behalf, the most favorable tax rate for American Depository Receipts (ADRs) held in your account.

YES

U.S. Bank is authorized to provide the Trust’s name, address and security position to requesting companies whose stock is owned by the Trust.

NO

U.S. Bank is NOT authorized to provide the Trust’s name, address and security position to requesting companies whose stock is owned by the Trust.

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

TRANSFER AGENT SERVICING AGREEMENT

THIS TRANSFER AGENT SERVICING AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of this 25th day of July, 2022, by and among **BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I**, a Maryland corporation (the “Fund”), and **U.S. BANCORP FUND SERVICES, LLC d/b/a U.S. Bank Global fund Services**, a Wisconsin limited liability company (“USBFS”).

WHEREAS, the Fund is a closed-end management investment fund that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act” or the “Act”);

WHEREAS, the Fund is authorized to offer and sell common stock in the Fund (collectively, the “Shares”);

WHEREAS, USBFS is, among other things, in the business of administering transfer agent functions for the benefit of its customers; and

WHEREAS, the Fund desires to retain USBFS to provide transfer agent services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

1. Appointment of USBFS as Transfer Agent

The Fund hereby appoints USBFS as transfer agent of the Fund on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, and USBFS hereby accepts such appointment and agrees to perform the services and duties set forth in this Agreement. The services and duties of USBFS shall be confined to those matters expressly set forth herein, and no implied duties are assumed by or may be asserted against USBFS hereunder.

2. Services and Duties of USBFS

USBFS shall provide the following transfer agent services to the Fund:

- (1) Receive and process orders for the purchase of Shares in accordance with applicable rules under the 1940 Act and other applicable regulations, and as specified in the Fund’s registration statement.
- (2) Process subscription agreements received from prospective holders of Shares (such holder of Shares, “Shareholders”).
- (3) Process purchase orders with prompt delivery, where appropriate, of payment and supporting documentation to the Fund’s custodian(s), and issue the appropriate number of uncertificated Shares with such uncertificated Shares being held in the appropriate Shareholder account.

- (4) Arrange for issuance of Shares obtained through transfers of funds from Shareholders’ accounts at financial institutions.
- (5) Process tender offers and related repurchase requests received in good order and, where relevant, deliver appropriate documentation to the Fund.
- (6) Pay monies upon receipt from the Fund where relevant, in accordance with the instructions of redeeming Shareholders.

- (7) Process transfers of Shares in accordance with the Shareholder's instructions and as permitted by the Fund's registration statement.
- (8) Prepare and transmit payments for distributions declared by the Fund, after deducting any amount required to be withheld by any applicable laws, rules and regulations and in accordance with Shareholder instructions.
- (9) Make changes to Shareholder records, including, but not limited to, address changes.
- (10) Prepare ad-hoc reports as necessary at prevailing rates.
- (11) Provide Shareholder account information upon Shareholder or Fund request and prepare and mail confirmations and statements of account to Shareholders for all purchases, redemptions, and other confirmable transactions as agreed upon with the Fund.
- (12) Mail account statements and performance reports in a form approved by the Fund to Shareholders on a monthly basis and shareholder reports on annual basis.
- (13) Prepare and file U.S. Treasury Department Forms 1099 and other appropriate information required with respect to dividends, distributions and repurchases for all shareholders.
- (16) Answer correspondence from shareholders, securities brokers and others relating to USBFS's duties hereunder within required time periods established by applicable regulation.
- (17) Provide service and support to financial intermediaries including but not limited to trade placements, settlements and corrections.
- (18) Perform its duties hereunder in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations and provide any sub-certifications reasonably requested by the Fund in connection with any certification required of the Fund pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("SOX Act") or any rules or regulations promulgated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") thereunder, provided the same shall not be deemed to change USBFS' standard of care as set forth herein.

- (19) In order to assist the Fund in satisfying the requirements of Rule 38a-1 under the 1940 Act, USBFS will provide the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer with reasonable access to USBFS' Fund records relating to the services provided by it under this Agreement, and will provide quarterly compliance reports and related certifications regarding any Material Compliance Matter (as defined in the 1940 Act) involving USBFS that affect or could affect the Fund.

3. Lost Shareholder Due Diligence Searches and Servicing

The Fund hereby acknowledges that USBFS has an arrangement with an outside vendor to conduct lost shareholder searches required by Rule 17Ad-17 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Costs associated with such searches will be passed through to the Fund as a miscellaneous expense in accordance with the fee schedule set forth in Exhibit A hereto. If a shareholder remains lost and the shareholder's account unresolved after completion of the mandatory Rule 17Ad-17 search, the Fund hereby authorizes USBFS to conduct a more in-depth search in order to locate the lost shareholder before the shareholder's assets escheat to the applicable state, to enter into agreements with vendors to conduct such additional searches, and to charge the costs of such additional searches to the account of the lost shareholder.

4. Anti-Money Laundering and Red Flag Identity Theft Prevention Programs

The Fund acknowledges that it has had an opportunity to review, consider and comment upon the written procedures provided by USBFS describing various tools used by USBFS which are designed to promote the detection and reporting of potential

money laundering activity and identity theft by monitoring certain aspects of shareholder activity as well as written procedures for verifying a customer's identity (collectively, the "Procedures"). Further, the Fund and USBFS have determined that the Procedures, as part of the Fund's overall anti-money laundering program and Red Flag Identity Theft Prevention program, are reasonably designed to: (i) prevent the Fund from being used for money laundering or the financing of terrorist activities; (ii) prevent identity theft; and (iii) to achieve compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bank Secrecy Act, Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003 and the USA Patriot Act of 2001 and the implementing regulations thereunder.

Based on this determination, the Fund hereby instructs and directs USBFS to implement the Procedures, as applicable, on the Fund's behalf, as such may be amended from time to time. It is contemplated that these Procedures will be amended from time to time by USBFS and any such amended Procedures will be provided to the Fund. Should the Fund desire that USBFS perform services not provided for in the Procedures, such additional services and the associated cost must be specifically detailed in the attached fee schedule.

The Fund acknowledges and agrees that although it is directing USBFS to implement the Procedures on its behalf, USBFS is implementing the Procedures as a service provider to the Fund and the Fund is and remains ultimately responsible for complying with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations with respect to anti-money laundering, customer identification, identity theft prevention, economic sanctions, and terrorist financing, whether under the AML Rules, or otherwise, such as, the establishment and board adoption of its own formal anti-money laundering program and the designation of its own anti-money laundering officer, as applicable.

The Fund further acknowledges and agrees that certain portions of the Procedures are applicable to certain products, entities, structures, or geographies and, accordingly, certain portions of the Procedures may not be implemented with respect to the Fund. The Fund has had the opportunity to discuss the Procedures with USBFS, and the Fund understands and agrees which portions of the Procedures may not be implemented on behalf of the Fund. Without limitation of the foregoing, USBFS shall not be responsible for providing anti-money laundering or customer identification services with respect to certain intermediary or dealer-controlled customer accounts (i.e., level 0 sub-accounts through the Fund/SERV system operated by the National Securities Clearing Corporation) and other fund client relationships where there is a sub-transfer agency or similar arrangement between the Fund and the intermediary.

The Fund hereby directs, and USBFS acknowledges, that USBFS shall (i) permit federal regulators access to such information and records maintained by USBFS and relating to USBFS' implementation of the Procedures, on behalf of the Fund, as they may request, and (ii) permit such federal regulators to inspect USBFS' implementation of the Procedures on behalf of the Fund.

5. Compensation

USBFS shall be compensated for providing the services set forth in this Agreement in accordance with the fee schedule set forth on Exhibit A hereto (as amended from time to time). USBFS shall also be reimbursed for such miscellaneous expenses as set forth on Exhibit A hereto as are reasonably incurred by USBFS in performing its duties hereunder. The Fund shall pay all such fees and reimbursable expenses within thirty (30) calendar days following receipt of the billing notice, except for any fee or expense subject to a good faith dispute. The Administrator and/or the Fund shall notify USBFS in writing within thirty (30) calendar days following receipt of each invoice if the Administrator and/or the Fund is disputing any amounts in good faith. The Fund shall pay such disputed amounts within ten (10) calendar days of the day on which the parties agree to the amount to be paid. With the exception of any fee or expense the Fund is disputing in good faith as set forth above, unpaid invoices shall accrue a finance charge of 1½% per month after the due date.

6. Representations and Warranties

- A. The Fund hereby represents and warrants to USBFS, which representations and warranties shall be deemed to be continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, that:

- (1) The Fund is duly organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with full power to carry on its business as now conducted, to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder;

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- (2) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Fund in accordance with all requisite action and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Fund, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application affecting the rights and remedies of creditors and secured parties;

- (3) It is conducting its business in compliance in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations, both state and federal, and has obtained all regulatory approvals necessary to carry on its business as now conducted; there is no statute, rule, regulation, order or judgment binding on it and no provision of its charter, bylaws or any contract binding it or affecting its property which would prohibit its execution or performance of this Agreement.;

- (4) All records of the Fund (including, without limitation, all shareholder and account records) provided to USBFS by the Fund or by a prior transfer agent of the Fund are accurate and complete and USBFS is entitled to rely on all such records in the form provided; and

- (5) The Fund has a reasonable belief that it knows the true identity of all shareholders of the Fund as of the date of this Agreement including, to the extent applicable, the beneficial owners of such shareholders, and USBFS is entitled to rely on such identification by the Fund.

B. USBFS hereby represents and warrants to the Fund, which representations and warranties shall be deemed to be continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, that:

- (1) It is duly organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with full power to carry on its business as now conducted, to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder;

- (2) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by USBFS in accordance with all requisite action and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of USBFS, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application affecting the rights and remedies of creditors and secured parties;

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- (3) It is conducting its business in compliance in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations, both state and federal, and has obtained all regulatory approvals necessary to carry on its business as now conducted; there is no statute, rule, regulation, order or judgment binding on it and no provision of its charter, bylaws or any contract binding it or affecting its property which would prohibit its execution or performance of this Agreement; and

- (4) It is a registered transfer agent under the Exchange Act.

7. Standard of Care; Indemnification; Limitation of Liability

- A. USBFS shall exercise reasonable care in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. USBFS shall not be liable for any error of judgment or mistake of law or for any loss suffered by the Fund in connection with its duties under this Agreement, except a loss arising out of or relating to USBFS' refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement or from its or any sub-processor's bad faith, negligence, or willful misconduct in the performance of

its duties under this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if USBFS has exercised reasonable care in the performance of its duties under this Agreement, the Fund shall indemnify and hold harmless USBFS from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, and liabilities of any and every nature (including reasonable and documented attorneys' fees) that USBFS may sustain or incur or that may be asserted against USBFS by any person arising out of any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in performing the services hereunder (i) in accordance with the foregoing standards, (ii) in reliance upon any written or oral instruction provided to USBFS by the Fund's investment adviser or by any duly authorized officer of the Fund, as approved by the Board of Directors, except for any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, and liabilities arising out of or relating to USBFS' refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement or from its bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. This indemnity shall be a continuing obligation of the Fund, its successors and assigns, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, the term "USBFS" shall include USBFS' directors, officers and employees.

USBFS shall indemnify and hold the Fund harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, and liabilities of any and every nature (including reasonable attorneys' fees) that the Fund may sustain or incur or that may be asserted against the Fund by any person arising out of any action taken or omitted to be taken by USBFS as a result of USBFS' refusal or failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement, bad faith, negligence, or willful misconduct in the performance of its duties under this Agreement. This indemnity shall be a continuing obligation of USBFS, its successors and assigns, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, the term "Fund" shall include the Fund's directors, officers and employees.

In no case shall either party be liable to the other for (i) any special, indirect or consequential damages, loss of profits or goodwill (even if advised of the possibility of such) under this Agreement; or (ii) any delay by reason of circumstances not reasonably foreseeable and beyond its reasonable control, including acts of civil or military authority, national emergencies, labor difficulties, fire, mechanical breakdown, flood or catastrophe, acts of God, insurrection, war, riots, or failure beyond its control of transportation or power supply.

In the event of a mechanical breakdown or failure of communication or power supplies beyond its control, USBFS shall take all reasonable steps to minimize service interruptions for any period that such interruption continues. USBFS shall as promptly as possible under the circumstances notify the Fund in the event of any service interruption that materially impacts USBFS' services under this Agreement. USBFS will make every reasonable effort to restore any lost or damaged data and correct any errors resulting from such a breakdown at the expense of USBFS as soon as practicable. USBFS agrees that it shall, at all times, have reasonable business continuity and disaster recovery contingency plans with appropriate parties, making reasonable provision for emergency use of electrical data processing equipment to the extent appropriate equipment is available. Representatives of the Fund shall be entitled to inspect USBFS' premises and operating capabilities, books and records maintained on behalf of the Fund at any time during regular business hours of USBFS, upon reasonable notice to USBFS. USBFS shall promptly notify the Fund upon discovery of any material administrative error, and shall consult with the Fund about the actions it intends to take to correct the error prior to taking such actions. A "material administrative error" means any error which the Fund's management, including its Chief Compliance Officer, would reasonably need to know to oversee Fund compliance. Moreover, USBFS shall obtain and provide the Fund, at such times as the Fund may reasonably require, copies of reports rendered by independent accountants on the internal controls and procedures of USBFS relating to the services provided by USBFS under this Agreement.

Notwithstanding the above, USBFS reserves the right to reprocess and correct administrative errors at its own expense.

B. In order that the indemnification provisions contained in this section shall apply, it is understood that if in any case the indemnitor may be asked to indemnify or hold the indemnitee harmless, the indemnitor shall be fully and promptly advised of all pertinent facts concerning the situation in question, and it is further understood that the indemnitee will use all reasonable care to notify the indemnitor promptly concerning any situation that presents or appears likely to present the probability of a claim for indemnification. The indemnitor shall have the option to defend the indemnitee against any claim that may be the subject of this indemnification. In the event that the indemnitor so elects, it will so

notify the indemnitee and thereupon the indemnitor shall take over complete defense of the claim, and the indemnitee shall in such situation initiate no further legal or other expenses for which it shall seek indemnification under this section. The indemnitee shall in no case confess any claim or make any compromise in any case in which the indemnitor will be asked to indemnify the indemnitee except with the indemnitor's prior written consent.

- C. The indemnity and defense provisions set forth in this Section 7 shall indefinitely survive the termination and/or assignment of this Agreement.
- D. If USBFS is acting in another capacity for the Fund pursuant to a separate agreement, nothing herein shall be deemed to relieve USBFS of any of its obligations in such other capacity.

8. Data Necessary to Perform Services

The Fund or its agent shall furnish to USBFS the data necessary to perform the services described herein at such times and in such form as mutually agreed upon. For the avoidance of doubt, USBFS agrees that, to the extent required in order to carry out any of its obligations hereunder, USBFS will coordinate with all other service providers of the Fund as may be requested and authorized by the Fund, including each custodian of the Fund, as appropriate. If USBFS is also acting in another capacity for the Fund, nothing herein shall be deemed to relieve USBFS of any of its obligations in such capacity.

9. Proprietary and Confidential Information

USBFS agrees on behalf of itself and its directors, officers, and employees to treat confidentially and as proprietary information of the Fund, all records and other information relative to the Fund and prior, present, or potential shareholders of the Fund (and clients of said shareholders) including all shareholder trading information, and not to use such records and information for any purpose other than the performance of its responsibilities and duties hereunder, except (i) after prior notification to and approval in writing by the Fund, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld and may not be withheld where USBFS may be exposed to civil or criminal contempt proceedings for failure to comply, (ii) when requested to divulge such information by duly constituted authorities provided that to the extent permitted by law, USBFS shall provide the Fund notice prior to such disclosures, or (iii) when so requested by the Fund. Records and other information which have become known to the public through no wrongful act of USBFS or any of its employees, agents or representatives, and information that was already in the possession of USBFS prior to receipt thereof from the Fund or its agent, shall not be subject to this paragraph. USBFS acknowledges that it may come into possession of material nonpublic information with respect to the Transfer Agent or the Fund and confirms that it has in place effective procedures to prevent the use of such information in violation of applicable insider trading laws.

Further, USBFS will adhere to the privacy policies adopted by the Fund pursuant to Title V of the Gramm Leach Bliley Act, as may be modified from time to time. In this regard, USBFS shall have in place and maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards reasonably designed to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of, and to prevent unauthorized access to or use of, records and information relating to the Fund and its shareholders. In addition, USBFS has implemented and will maintain an effective information security program reasonably designed to protect information relating to Shareholders (such information, "Personal Information"), which program includes sufficient administrative, technical and physical safeguards and written policies and procedures reasonably designed to (a) insure the security and confidentiality of such Personal Information; (b) protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of such Personal Information, including identity theft; and (c) protect against unauthorized access to or use of such Personal Information that could result in substantial harm or inconvenience to the Fund or any Shareholder (the "Information Security Program"). The Information Security Program complies and shall comply with reasonable information security practices within the industry. Upon written request from the Fund, USBFS shall provide a written description of its Information Security Program. USBFS shall promptly notify the Fund in writing of any breach of security, misuse or misappropriation of, or unauthorized access to, (in each case, whether actual or

alleged) any Personal Information (any or all of the foregoing referred to individually and collectively for purposes of this provision as a “Security Breach”). USBFS shall promptly investigate and remedy, and bear the cost of the measures (including notification to any affected parties), if any, to address any Security Breach. USBFS shall bear the cost of the Security Breach only if USBFS is determined to be responsible for such Security Breach.

In addition to, and without limiting the foregoing, USBFS will promptly cooperate with the Fund or any of their affiliates’ regulators at USBFS’s expense (only if USBFS is determined to be responsible for such Security Breach) to prevent, investigate, cease or mitigate any Security Breach, including but not limited to investigating, bringing claims or actions and giving information and testimony. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, the obligations set forth in this paragraph shall survive termination of this Agreement.

USBFS will provide the Transfer Agent with certain copies of third party audit reports (e.g., SSAE 16 or SOC 1) through access to USBFS’s CCO Portal (limited to two persons) to the extent such reports are available and related to services performed or made available by USBFS under this Agreement. The Transfer Agent acknowledges and agrees that such reports are confidential and that it will not disclose such reports except to its employees and service providers who have a need to know and have agreed to obligations of confidentiality applicable to such reports.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, USBFS will not share any nonpublic personal information concerning any of the Fund’s shareholders to any third party unless specifically directed by the Transfer Agent or allowed under one of the exceptions noted under the Gramm Leach Bliley Act.

10. Records

USBFS shall keep records relating to the services to be performed hereunder in the form and manner, and for such period, as it may deem advisable and is agreeable to the Fund, but not inconsistent with the rules and regulations of appropriate government authorities, in particular, Section 31 of the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder. USBFS agrees that all such records prepared or maintained by USBFS relating to the services to be performed by USBFS hereunder are the property of the Fund and will be preserved, maintained, and made available in accordance with such applicable sections and rules of the 1940 Act and will be promptly surrendered to the Fund or their designee on and in accordance with its request. USBFS agrees to provide any records necessary to the Fund to comply with the Fund’s disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting adopted in accordance with the SOX Act. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, USBFS shall cooperate with the Transfer Agent and assist the Fund, as necessary, by providing information to enable the appropriate officers of the Fund to (i) execute any required certifications and (ii) provide a report of management on the Fund’s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Sections 13a-15(f) or 15a-15(f) of the Exchange Act).

11. Compliance with Laws

A. The Fund has and retains primary responsibility for all compliance matters relating to the Fund, including but not limited to compliance with the Act, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the SOX Act, the USA Patriot Act of 2001 and the policies and limitations of the Fund relating to its portfolio investments as set forth in its registration statement. USBFS’ services hereunder shall not relieve the Fund of its responsibilities for assuring such compliance and oversight responsibility with respect thereto.

B. The foregoing shall not affect USBFS’ responsibilities for compliance and related matters delegated to USBFS by the Fund as expressly provided herein. USBFS shall comply with changes to all regulatory requirements affecting its services hereunder to the Fund and shall implement any necessary modifications to the services prior to the deadline imposed, or extensions authorized by, the regulatory or other governmental body having jurisdiction for such regulatory requirements.

C. If, and to the extent that, the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679, as amended (“GDPR”) or the Cayman Islands Data Protection Law, 2017, as amended (“DPL”), are applicable to USBFS and the Fund the following provisions shall apply:

- The parties agree USBFS is a “Data Processor” under GDPR and DPL, as applicable, in the performance of its services under this the Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties agree USBFS is a “Data Controller” under GDPR and DPL, as applicable, solely for the purpose of fulfilling its own pre-contractual AML/KYC new fund client onboarding obligations. In either case, the Fund shall ensure that all necessary and appropriate consents, disclosures and notices, including data subject consents, are in place to enable the processing of “Personal Data” (as defined by GDPR and DPL) by USBFS, the transfer of Personal Data to USBFS, and the transfer of Personal Data by USBFS to third countries or regulatory organizations.
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- (2) The parties further agree the Fund is a “Data Controller” under GDPR and DPL, as applicable. The Fund, either alone or jointly with others, determines or controls the content, use, purpose and means of processing the Personal Data.

- (3) USBFS shall process the Personal Data: (i) in accordance with instructions of the Fund pursuant to this Agreement and any authorized persons list executed pursuant thereto, for the purpose of discharging USBFS’ obligations under the Agreement; and (ii) when required by law or regulation, or required or requested by any court or regulator (each a “Processing Order”) to which USBFS is subject. In the event USBFS receives a request to process Personal Data pursuant to any Processing Order, it shall, to the extent legally permissible and reasonably practicable under the circumstances, notify the Fund prior to processing.

- (4) The Fund is solely responsible for developing and implementing its internal policies and procedures with respect to GDPR and DPL.

- (5) USBFS shall:
- i. ensure that persons handling Personal Data on its behalf are subject to confidentiality obligations similar to those contained in this Agreement;
 - ii. implement appropriate technical and organizational measures to protect Personal Data including against unauthorized or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, damage or destruction;
 - iii. only appoint sub-processors with the prior written consent of the Fund (standing instructions or general written authorization are sufficient), and only if the sub-processors provide sufficient guarantees in writing to USBFS that they have implemented appropriate technical and organizational measures in such a manner that processing will comply with GDPR and DPL, as applicable¹;
 - iv. beyond the initial appointment, inform the Fund of any intended material changes concerning the addition or replacement of sub-processors, thereby giving the Fund the opportunity to object;
 - v. taking into account the nature of the processing, reasonably assist the Fund by appropriate technical and organizational measures, insofar as possible, to enable the Fund to comply with its obligation to respond to requests for exercising a data subject’s rights under GDPR or DPL;

¹ For the avoidance of doubt, USBFS’ affiliates and third party software providers will be used as sub-processors under this Agreement, and the Fund hereby authorizes such use.

- vi. provide reasonable assistance to the Fund in ensuring their compliance with obligations regarding Personal Data breaches, data protection impact assessments and prior consultation subject to the nature of the processing and the information reasonably available to USBFS, and inform the Fund of Personal Data breaches without undue delay;
- vii. at the written direction of the Fund, delete or return all Personal Data to the Fund after the end of the provision of services under the Agreement relating to processing, and delete existing copies of Personal Data unless applicable law or internal data retention or backup procedures require the storage of such Personal Data; and
- viii. make available to the Fund all information reasonably necessary to demonstrate compliance with GDPR or DPL, as applicable, and allow for and reasonably cooperate with audits, including inspections, conducted by the Fund or its auditor; and immediately inform the Fund if, in its opinion, the Fund's instructions regarding this subsection infringes on GDPR or DPL.

- (6) Each party shall comply with any other applicable law or regulation which implements GDPR and DPL in relation to the Personal Data. Nothing in the Agreement shall be construed as preventing either party from taking such other steps as are necessary to comply with GDPR, DPL or any other applicable data protection laws.

12. Term of Agreement; Amendment

This Agreement shall become effective as of the date first written above and will continue in effect for a period of three (3) years. This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon giving ninety (90) days' prior written notice to the other party or such shorter period as is mutually agreed upon by the parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be terminated by any party upon the breach of the other party of any material term of this Agreement if such breach is not cured within fifteen (15) days of notice of such breach to the breaching party. This Agreement may not be amended or modified in any manner except by written agreement executed by USBFS and the Fund, and authorized or approved by the Board of Directors.

13. Duties in the Event of Termination

In the event that, in connection with termination, a successor to any of USBFS' duties or responsibilities hereunder is designated by the Fund by written notice to USBFS, USBFS will promptly, upon such termination and, except in the case of a material breach by USBFS, in which case all expenses shall be borne by USBFS, at the expense of the Fund, transfer to such successor all relevant books, records, correspondence, and other data established or maintained by USBFS under this Agreement in a form reasonably acceptable to the Fund (if such form differs from the form in which USBFS has maintained the same, the Fund shall pay any reasonable and documented expenses associated with transferring the data to such form), and will cooperate in the transfer of such duties and responsibilities, including provision for assistance from USBFS' personnel in the establishment of books, records, and other data by such successor. If no such successor is designated, then such books, records and other data shall be returned to the Fund. The Fund shall also pay any fees associated with record retention and/or tax reporting obligations that USBFS is obligated under applicable law, regulation, or rule to continue following the termination.

14. Assignment

This Agreement shall extend to and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns; provided, however, that this Agreement shall not be assignable by the Fund without the written consent of USBFS, or by USBFS without the written consent of the Fund accompanied by the authorization or approval of the Board of Directors.

15. Governing Law

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to conflicts of law principles. To the extent that the applicable laws of the State of New York, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the applicable provisions of the Act, the latter shall control, and nothing herein shall be construed in a manner inconsistent with the Act or any rule or order of the SEC thereunder.

16. Services not Exclusive

Nothing in this Agreement shall limit or restrict USBFS from providing services to other parties that are similar or identical to some or all of the services provided hereunder.

17. No Agency Relationship

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize or empower either party to act as agent for the other party to this Agreement, or to conduct business in the name, or for the account, of the other party to this Agreement.

18. Invalidity

Any provision of this Agreement which may be determined by competent authority to be prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. In such case, the parties shall in good faith modify or substitute such provision consistent with the original intent of the parties.

19. Notices

Any notice required or permitted to be given by either party to the other shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given on the date delivered personally or by courier service, or three days after sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or on the date sent and confirmed received by facsimile transmission to the other party's address set forth below:

Notice to USBFS shall be sent to:

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC
615 East Michigan Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

and notice to the Fund shall be sent to:

Brightwood Capital Corporation
c/o Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC
810 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10019
Attention: Darilyn T. Oledge, Esq., General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer
Email: oledge@brightwoodlp.com

20. Multiple Originals

This Agreement may be executed on two or more counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

21. Entire Agreement

This Agreement, together with any exhibits, attachments, appendices or schedules expressly referenced herein, constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements and understandings, whether written or oral.

[Signature Page Follows]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer on one or more counterparts as of the date last written below.

U.S. BANCORP FUND SERVICES, LLC

By: /s/ Gregory Farley

Name: Gregory Farley

Title: Senior Vice President

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: /s/ Sengal Selassie

Name: Sengal Selassie

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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Exhibit A to the Transfer Agent Servicing Agreement – Fee Schedule

Transfer Agency/Investor Services Fee Schedule*

- \$ 20,000 - per year, Base Fee Per CUSIP
- \$ 13.00 - per open account for Open Accounts
- \$ 3.00 - per closed account for Closed Accounts

CUSIP Setup

- \$ 5,000 - per CUSIP, CUSIP Fee

PA Port

- \$ 10,000 - Annual fee
- \$ 15,000 - One-time standard set up charge

- Customization charged at vendor's current hourly rate

Data Output

- \$ 1,875 - One-time standard set up for periodic statements and confirms
 - Customization charged at vendor's current hourly rate

Chief Compliance Officer Support Fee

- \$ 3,000 per year

Miscellaneous Expenses

All other miscellaneous fees and expenses, including but not limited to the following, will be separately billed as incurred:

brokerage fees, telephone toll-free lines, inbound calls, mailing, sorting and postage, stationery, envelopes, service/data conversion, AML verification services, special reports, record retention, lost shareholder search, disaster recovery charges, Fed wire charges, shareholder/dealer print out (daily confirms, investor statements, tax, checks, and commissions), voice response (VRU) maintenance and development, data communication and implementation charges, return mail processing, travel, FATCA and other compliance mailings.

Additional Services

Additional services not included above shall be mutually agreed upon at the time of the service being added. Available but not included above are the following services- client dedicated line data access, programming charges, physical certificate processing, CUSIP setup and additional services mutually agreed upon.

In addition to the fees described above, additional fees may be charged to the extent that changes to applicable laws, rules or regulations require additional work or expenses related to services provided (e.g., compliance with new liquidity risk management and reporting requirements).

*Subject to annual CPI increase-All Urban Consumers - U.S. City Average" index, provided that the CPI adjustment will not decrease the base fees (even if the cumulative CPI rate at any point in time is negative).

Fees are calculated pro rata and billed monthly

The monthly fee for an open account shall be charged in the month during which an account is opened through the month in which such account is closed. The monthly fee for a closed account shall be charged in the month following the month during which such account is closed.

Fees for Special Situation:

- Fee will be assessed.

Rule 2a-5 Reporting (valuation reporting and support):

- \$ 2,000 per fund

Customized delivery of data:

- TBD

RIC Core Tax Services

M-1 book-to-tax adjustments at fiscal and excise year-end, prepare tax footnotes in conjunction with fiscal year-end audit, Prepare Form 1120-RIC federal income tax return and relevant schedules, Prepare Form 8613 and relevant schedules, Prepare Form 1099-MISC Forms, Prepare Annual TDF FBAR (Foreign Bank Account Reporting) filing, Prepare state returns (Limited to two) and Capital Gain Dividend Estimates (Limited to two).

Optional Tax Services RIC

- \$ 5,000 per year - Prepare book-to-tax adjustments & Form 5471 for Controlled Foreign Corporations (CFCs)
- \$ 1,000 per additional estimate - Additional Capital Gain Dividend Estimates - (First two included in core services)
- \$ 1,500 per additional return - State tax returns - (First two included in core services)

Partnership Core Tax Services

- Fund book to tax analysis (Excluding specific MLP Investment Structures)
- LP and GP tax allocation calculations as a component of Schedule K-1 disclosures
- Fund Treasury filings including FINCEN Form 114 (F/K/A TDF 90-22.1 Foreign Account Returns) upon request
- File Form 1099 Miscellaneous upon request
- Semi Annual and Annual Provision if applicable
- Form 8937 if applicable

Partnership Optional Tax Services - (in addition to Standard Services)

Federal Tax Returns

- Prepare partnership federal income tax returns for master or standalone investment fund (up to 100 investors):
- \$ 2,000 - \$ 5,000 Prepare partnership federal income tax returns for feeder entity (up to 100 K-1s)
- Prepare Federal and State extensions (If Applicable); Included in the return fees
- \$ 2,500 per blocker - Prepare corporate federal tax returns and analysis for US blocker entities
- \$ 2,000 per blocker - Prepare corporate federal tax returns and analysis for foreign blocker entities
- \$ 2,000 per SPV - Prepare tax analysis for Special Purpose Vehicles (SPV's)
- \$ 5,000 Additional Per PFIC request - PFIC Statements
- Coordinate filings and help facilitate payments to federal and local governments (If Applicable); Included in the return fees
- \$ 3,000 Per Estimate request - Prepare K-1 estimates

State Tax Returns

- \$ 1,000 per fund - State tax notice consultative support and resolution

- \$ 250 - Prepare New York Form IT- 204-LL

- \$ 1,500 per state return - Prepare state income tax returns for funds and blocker entities
 - \$ 2,000 per state return - Sign state income tax returns
 - Included with preparation of returns - Assist in filing state income tax returns

Additional fee for Returns with over 100 investors to be added based on complexity.

Note Increase analysis due to side pocket allocation analysis may result in additional fees.

Note US Corporation preparation fees do not include 1099-DIV reporting

Tax Reporting - C-Corporations

Federal Tax Returns

- \$ 25,000 - Prepare corporate Book to tax calculation, average cost analysis and cost basis role forwards, and federal income tax returns for investment fund (Federal returns & 1099 Breakout Analysis)
- Included in the return fees - Prepare Federal and State extensions (If Applicable)
- \$ 2,000 Per estimate - Prepare provision estimates

State Tax Returns

- \$ 1,500 per state return - Prepare state income tax returns for funds and blocker entities
 - \$ 2,000 per state return - Sign state income tax returns
 - Included with preparation of returns - Assist in filing state income tax returns
 - \$ 1,000 per fund - State tax notice consultative support and resolution

TRADEMARK LICENSE AGREEMENT

This TRADEMARK LICENSE AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is made and effective as of the date hereof, by and between Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the “Licensor”), and Brightwood Capital Corporation I, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Maryland (the “Licensee”) (each a “party,” and collectively, the “parties”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Licensee is a newly organized, externally managed, closed-end, non-diversified management investment company that has filed an election to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”);

WHEREAS, Licensor, together with its affiliates, provides investment management, investment consultation and investment advisory services;

WHEREAS, Licensor and its affiliates have used the mark “Brightwood Capital” (the “Licensed Mark”) in the United States of America and certain other jurisdictions (collectively, the “Territory”) in connection with the investment management, investment consultation and investment advisory services they provide;

WHEREAS, Licensee desires to use the Licensed Mark as part of its corporate name and in connection with the operation of its business, and Licensor is willing to grant Licensee a license to use the Licensed Mark, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

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

ARTICLE 1. LICENSE GRANT

1.1. License. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Licensor hereby grants to Licensee, and Licensee hereby accepts from Licensor, a personal, non-exclusive, royalty-free right and license to use the Licensed Mark solely and exclusively as a component of Licensee’s own corporate name and in connection with marketing the investment management, investment consultation and investment advisory services that Licensor may provide to Licensee. During the term of this Agreement, Licensee shall use the Licensed Mark only to the extent permitted under this License, and except as provided above, neither Licensee nor any affiliate, owner, director, officer, employee or agent thereof shall otherwise use the Licensed Mark or any derivative thereof in the Territory without the prior express written consent of Licensor in its sole and absolute discretion and shall not use the Licensed Mark for any purpose outside the Territory. All rights not expressly granted to Licensee hereunder shall remain the exclusive property Licensor.

1.2. Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude Licensor or any of its successors or assigns from using or permitting other entities to use the Licensed Mark, whether or not such entity directly or indirectly competes or conflicts with Licensee’s business in any manner.

ARTICLE 2. COMPLIANCE

2.1. Quality Control. In order to preserve the inherent value of the Licensed Mark, Licensee agrees to use reasonable efforts to ensure that it maintains the quality of the Licensee’s business and the operation thereof equal to the standards prevailing in the operation of Licensee’s business as of the date of this Agreement. The Licensee further agrees to use the Licensed Mark in accordance with such quality standards as may be reasonably established by Licensor and communicated to the Licensee from time to time in writing, or as may be agreed to by Licensor and the Licensee from time to time in writing.

2.2. Compliance With Laws. Licensee agrees that the business operated by it in connection with the Licensed Mark shall comply with all laws, rules, regulations and requirements of any governmental body in the Territory or elsewhere as may be applicable to the operation, marketing, and promotion of the business and shall notify Licensor of any action that must be taken by Licensee to comply with such law, rules, regulations or requirements.

2.3. Notification of Infringement. Each party shall immediately notify the other party and provide to the other party all relevant background facts upon becoming aware of (a) any registrations of, or applications for registration of, marks in the Territory that do or may conflict with the Licensor's rights in the Licensed Mark or the rights granted to the Licensee under this Agreement, (b) any infringements or misuse of the Licensed Mark in the Territory by any third party ("Third Party Infringement"), or (c) any claim that Licensee's use of the Licensed Mark infringes the intellectual property rights of any third party in the Territory ("Third Party Claim"). Licensor shall have the exclusive right, but not the obligation, to prosecute, defend and/or settle in its sole discretion, all actions, proceedings and claims involving any Third Party Infringement or Third Party Claim, and to take any other action that it deems necessary or proper for the protection and preservation of its rights in the Licensed Mark. Licensee shall cooperate with Licensor in the prosecution, defense or settlement of such actions, proceedings or claims.

ARTICLE 3. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

3.1. Licensee accepts this license on an "as is" basis. Licensee acknowledges that Licensor makes no explicit or implicit representation or warranty as to the registrability, validity, enforceability, ownership of the Licensed Mark, or as to Licensee's ability to use the Licensed Mark without infringing or otherwise violating the rights of others, and Licensor has no obligation to indemnify Licensee with respect to any claims arising from Licensee's use of the Licensed Mark, including without limitation any Third Party Claim.

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3.2. Mutual Representations. Each party hereby represents and warrants to the other party as follows:

(a) Due Authorization. Such party is a limited liability company duly formed or a corporation duly incorporated, as applicable, and is in good standing as of the date hereof, and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by such party have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such party.

(b) Due Execution. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by such party and, upon due authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement by the other party, constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of such party, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms.

(c) No Conflict. Such party's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement do not: (i) violate, conflict with or result in the breach of any provision of the operating agreement, charter or bylaws (or similar organizational documents) of such party; (ii) conflict with or violate any governmental order applicable to such party or any of its assets, properties or businesses; or (iii) conflict with, result in any breach of, constitute a default (or event which with the giving of notice or lapse of time, or both, would become a default) under, require any consent under, or give to others any rights of termination, amendment, acceleration, suspension, revocation or cancellation of any contract, agreement, lease, sublease, license, permit, franchise or other instrument or arrangement to which it is a party.

ARTICLE 4. TERM AND TERMINATION

4.1. Term. This Agreement shall expire if the Licensor or one of its affiliates ceases to serve as investment adviser to the Licensee. This Agreement shall be terminable by Licensor at any time and in its sole discretion in the event that Licensor or Licensee receives notice of any Third Party Claim arising out of Licensee's use of the Licensed Mark; by Licensor or Licensee upon sixty (60) days' written notice to the other party; or by Licensee at any time in the event Licensee assigns or attempts to assign or sublicense this Agreement or any of Licensee's rights or duties hereunder without the prior written consent of Licensor.

4.2. Upon Termination. Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement, all rights granted to Licensee under this Agreement with respect to the Licensed Mark shall cease, and Licensee shall immediately delete the term “Brightwood Capital” from its corporate name and shall discontinue all other use of the Licensed Mark. For twenty-four (24) months following termination of this Agreement, Licensee shall specify on all public-facing materials in a prominent place and in prominent typeface that Licensee is no longer operating under the Licensed Mark, is no longer associated with Licensor, or such other notice as may be deemed necessary by Licensor in its sole discretion in its prosecution, defense, and/or settlement of any Third Party Claim.

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ARTICLE 5.
MISCELLANEOUS

5.1. Assignment. Licensee shall not sublicense, assign, pledge, grant or otherwise encumber or transfer to any third party all or any part of its rights or duties under this Agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent from Licensor, which consent Licensor may grant or withhold in its sole and absolute discretion. Any purported transfer without such consent shall be void *ab initio*.

5.2. Independent Contractor. Neither party shall have, or shall represent that it has, any power, right or authority to bind the other party to any obligation or liability, or to assume or create any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party.

5.3. Notices. All notices, requests, claims, demands and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be given or made (and shall be deemed to have been duly given or made upon receipt) by delivery in person, by overnight courier service (with signature required), by facsimile or by registered or certified mail (postage prepaid, return receipt requested) to the respective parties at the following addresses (or such other address as the parties may provide to each other by written Notice):

If to Licensor:

Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC
810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10019
Tel. No.: 646-957-9525
Fax No.: []
Attn: Member

If to Licensee:

Brightwood Capital Corporation I
810 Seventh Avenue, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10019
Tel. No.: 646-957-9525
Fax No.: []
Attn: Chief Executive Officer

5.4. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The parties unconditionally and irrevocably consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts located in the State of New York and waive any objection with respect thereto, for the purpose of any action, suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

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5.5. Amendment. This Agreement may not be amended or modified except by an instrument in writing signed by each party hereto.

5.6. No Waiver. The failure of either party to enforce at any time for any period the provisions of or any rights deriving from this Agreement shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provisions or rights or the right of such party thereafter to enforce such provisions, and no waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by all parties hereto.

5.7. Severability. If any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.

5.8. Headings. The descriptive headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

5.9. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original instrument and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

5.10. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and undertakings, both written and oral, between the parties with respect to such subject matter.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each party has caused this Agreement to be executed as of July 26, 2022 by its duly authorized officer.

LICENSOR:

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

By: /s/ Sengal Selassie

Name: Sengal Selassie

Title: Managing Member

LICENSEE:

BRIGHTWOOD CAPITAL CORPORATION I

By: /s/ Russell Zomback

Name: Russell Zomback

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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