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FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Loyalty Ventures Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 87-1353472

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

c/o Alliance Data Systems Corporation 7500 Dallas Parkway, Suite 700 Plano, Texas 75024 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Loyalty Ventures Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan Loyalty Ventures Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan

(Full title of the plans)
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller
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CALC	CULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE	

		Price Per Share ⁽²⁾		Officing		
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share ("Common Stock"), which consist of Common Stock reserved for future issuance pursuant to the following Plans:						
 Loyalty Ventures Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan 	1,225,000	\$	45.19	\$	55,357,750	\$ 5,131.67
Loyalty Ventures Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan	1,000,000	\$	45.19	\$	45,190,000	\$ 4,189.12

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 (this "Registration Statement") covers (i) 1,225,000 shares of Common Stock of Loyalty Ventures Inc. (the "Company" or the "Registrant") that are authorized for issuance pursuant to the plans set forth in

- (1) this table (collectively, the "Plans") and (ii) pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement also includes any additional shares of Common Stock that may become issuable under the Plans by reason of any share dividend, share split or other similar transaction.
- Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(h) and Rule 457(c) under the Securities (2) Act, based on the average of the high and low prices of the Registrant's Common Stock as reported on the Nasdaq Stock
- (2) Act, based on the average of the high and low prices of the Registrant's Common Stock as reported on the Nasdaq Stock Market on November 8, 2021.
- (3) Rounded up to the nearest penny.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

The documents containing the information specified in Item 1 and Item 2 of Part I of Form S-8 will be sent or given to participants as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act. In accordance with the rules and regulations of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") and the instructions to Form S-8, such documents are not being filed with the Commission either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) The Registration Statement on Form 10, filed by the Registrant with the Commission on September 24, 2021 (File No. 001-40776), as subsequently amended (the "Form 10 Registration Statement");
- (b) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock, which is contained in the Information Statement filed as Exhibit 99.1 to the Form 10 Registration Statement, including any amendments or supplements thereto; and
- (c) All reports filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the Form 10 Registration Statement.

All documents filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and are a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents; except as to any portion of any future annual or quarterly report to stockholders or document or current report furnished under current Items 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K that is not deemed filed under such provisions. Any

statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 102 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware permits a corporation to eliminate the personal liability of directors of a corporation to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for a breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except where the director breached his duty of loyalty, failed to act in good faith, engaged in intentional misconduct or knowingly violated a law, authorized the payment of a dividend or approved a stock repurchase in violation of Delaware corporate law or obtained an improper personal benefit. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, no director of our corporation shall be liable to it or its stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty as director.

Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware provides that a corporation has the power to indemnify a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation and certain other persons serving at the request of the corporation in related capacities against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlements actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with an action, suit or proceeding to which he is or is threatened to be made a party by reason of such position, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, in any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful, except that, in the case of actions brought by or in the right of the corporation, no indemnification shall be made with respect to any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or other adjudicating court determines that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all of the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we will indemnify any person who was or is a party or threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of our corporation, or is or was serving at our request as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise and held harmless to the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Additionally, we have entered into indemnification agreements with each of our current directors and executive officers. These indemnification agreements are intended to provide indemnification rights to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law. These agreements provide that we indemnify such persons against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as a director or officer, to advance their expenses incurred as a result of a proceeding as to which they may be indemnified and to cover such persons under any directors' and officers' liability insurance policy that we may choose to maintain.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

Number Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the 4.1 Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-40776), filed with the commission on November 8, 2021) Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Current 4.2 Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-40776), filed with the commission on November 8, 2021) 5.1 Opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (filed herewith) 23.1 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP (filed herewith) 23.2 Consent of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1) 24.1 Powers of Attorney (included in the signature pages hereto) Loyalty Ventures Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan (filed herewith). 99.1 99.2 Loyalty Ventures Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (filed herewith).

Item 9. Undertakings.

Exhibit

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
 - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
 - (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in this registration statement; and
 - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the Plan not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the provisions referenced in Item 6 of this Registration Statement, or otherwise, the

Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered hereunder, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question of whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Dallas, State of Texas, on the 9th day of November, 2021.

LOYALTY VENTURES, INC.

By: /s/ John J. Chesnut

Name: John J. Chesnut

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY AND SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned officers and directors of Loyalty Ventures Inc., hereby severally constitute and appoint John J. Chesnut and Cynthia L. Hageman, and each of them singly (with full power to each of them to act alone), our true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution in each of them for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, and in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement (or any other registration statement for the same offering that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite or necessary to be done in and about the premises, as full to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them, or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ Charles L. Horn		November 9, 2021
Charles L. Horn	Chief Executive Officer, President and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ John J. Chesnut		November 9, 2021
John J. Chesnut	Chief Financial Officer	
	(Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ Laura Santillan		November 9, 2021
Laura Santillan	Chief Accounting Officer	
	(Principal Accounting Officer)	

/s/ Graham W. Atkinson		November 9, 2021
Graham W. Atkinson	Director	
/s/ Roger H. Ballou		November 9, 2021
Roger H. Ballou	Director	·
/s/ Richard A. Genovese		November 9, 2021
Richard A. Genovese	Director	November 9, 2021
/s/ Barbara L. Rayner Barbara L. Rayner	Director	November 9, 2021
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OPINION OF DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL LLP

November 9, 2021

Loyalty Ventures Inc. 7500 Dallas Parkway, Suite 700 Plano, Texas 75024

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to Loyalty Ventures Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and are delivering this opinion in connection with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for the registration of (i) 1,225,000 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares"), issuable pursuant to the Loyalty Ventures Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Omnibus Plan") and (ii) 1,000,000 Shares issuable pursuant to the Loyalty Ventures Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP").

We, as your counsel, have examined originals or copies of such documents, corporate records, certificates of public officials and other instruments as we have deemed necessary or advisable for the purpose of rendering this opinion.

In rendering the opinion expressed herein, we have, without independent inquiry or investigation, assumed that (i) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic and complete, (ii) all documents submitted to us as copies conform to authentic, complete originals, (iii) all signatures on all documents that we reviewed are genuine, (iv) all natural persons executing documents had and have the legal capacity to do so, (v) all statements in certificates of public officials and officers of the Company that we reviewed were and are accurate and (vi) all representations made by the Company as to matters of fact in the documents that we reviewed were and are accurate.

On the basis of the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly authorized and, when and to the extent issued pursuant to the Plan upon receipt by the Company of the consideration for the Shares specified therein, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We are members of the Bar of the State of New York and the foregoing opinion is limited to the laws of the State of New York and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated July 14, 2021, relating to the combined financial statements of LoyaltyOne (now known as Loyalty Ventures Inc.) appearing in Amendment No. 2 to Form 10 (Registration Statement No. 001-40776) of Loyalty Ventures Inc.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Dallas, Texas November 9, 2021



LOYALTY VENTURES INC.

2021 OMNIBUS INCENTIVE PLAN

- 1. **Purpose**. The purpose of this 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "*Plan*") of Loyalty Ventures Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Company*"), is to advance the interests of the Company and its stockholders by providing a means to attract, retain and reward executive officers, other key employees, directors, and consultants of and service providers to, the Company and its Affiliates, and to enable such individuals to acquire or increase a proprietary interest in the Company, thereby promoting a closer identity of interests between such individuals and the Company's stockholders.
- 2. **Definitions**. For purposes of the Plan, the following additional terms shall be defined as set forth below:
- (a) "Affiliate" means any entity that either has a direct or indirect equity interest in the Company or with respect to which the Company holds an equity interest; provided that, with respect to Incentive Stock Options, the term shall only mean a Parent Corporation or Subsidiary (as defined herein); and provided that, with respect to Nonqualified Stock Options and SARs, the term shall only mean a direct or indirect subsidiary in a chain of corporations or other entities in which each corporation or other entity, starting with the Company, has a controlling interest in another entity in the chain, where "controlling interest" means ownership of at least 50% of (i) the total combined voting power or the total value of all stock of a corporation or (ii) the profits interest or capital interest of a partnership or limited liability company.
- (b) "Appreciation Value" means the appreciation in the Fair Market Value of one share of Stock which shall be measured by determining the amount equal to the Fair Market Value of one share of Stock on the exercise date minus the per share exercise price of the SAR being exercised.
- (c) "Award" means individually or collectively, a grant under the plan of Incentive Stock Options, Nonqualified Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights (SARs), Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, Performance Share Awards, Cash Incentive Awards, Deferred Stock Units, Other Stock-Based Awards and Cash-Based Awards, in each case subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan.

"Award Agreement" means to the extent deemed necessary by the Committee, an Award under the Plan shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in a form approved by the Committee setting forth the number of Shares, units or cash subject to the Award, the exercise price, base price, or purchase price of the Award, the time or times at which an Award will become vested, exercisable, or payable and the term of the Award. An Award Agreement may also set forth the effect on an Award of a termination of employment or other service. An Award Agreement may be either (i) a written or electronic agreement entered into by the Company and a Participant setting forth the terms and provisions applicable to an Award granted under this Plan, including any amendment or modification thereof, or (ii) a written or electronic statement issued by the Company to a Participant describing the terms and provisions of such Award, including any amendment or modification thereof. The Award Agreement shall be subject to and incorporate, by reference or otherwise, all of the applicable terms and conditions of the Plan, may also set forth other terms and conditions applicable to the Award as determined by the Committee consistent with the limitations of the Plan and need not be identical. Award Agreements evidencing Incentive Stock Options shall contain such terms and conditions as may be necessary to meet the applicable provisions of Section 422 of the Code. The grant of an Award under the Plan shall not confer any rights upon the Participant holding such Award other than such terms, and subject to such conditions, as are specified in the Plan as being applicable to such type of Award (or to all Awards) or as are expressly set forth in the Award Agreements. The Company may deliver by email or other electronic means (including posting on a Web site maintained by the Company or by a third party under contract with the Company) all documents relating to the Plan or any Award thereunder (including without limitation, prospectuses required by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission) and all

other documents that the Company is required to deliver to its security holders (including without limitation, annual reports and proxy statements).

- (e) "Beneficiary" means the individual, individuals, trust or trusts which have been designated by a Participant in his or her most recent written beneficiary designation filed with the Committee to receive the benefits specified under the Plan upon such Participant's death or, if there is no designated Beneficiary or surviving designated Beneficiary, then the individual, individuals, trust or trusts entitled by will or the laws of descent and distribution to receive such benefits.
 - (f) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
 - (g) "Cash-Based Awards" means an Award granted pursuant to Section 6(g).
 - (h) "Cash Incentive Award" means an Award granted to a key executive pursuant to Section 6(f).
- (i) "Cause" means, if the Participant is a party to an employment agreement or agreement for services with the Company or its Affiliates and such agreement provides for a definition of Cause, the definition therein contained, or, if no such agreement or definition exists, it means a Participant's (i) material breach of any of such Participant's covenants or obligations under any applicable employment agreement, agreement for services, non-compete agreement, non-solicitation agreement or confidentiality agreement; (ii) continued failure after written notice from the Company or any applicable Affiliate to perform assigned job responsibilities or to follow the reasonable instructions of such Participant's superiors, including, without limitation, the Board; (iii) commission of a crime constituting a felony (or its equivalent) under the law; or (iv) material violation of any law or regulation or any policy or code of conduct adopted by the Company or engaging in any other form of misconduct which, if it were made public, could reasonably be expected to adversely affect the business reputation or affairs of the Company or of an Affiliate. The Board or Committee, in good faith, shall determine all matters and questions relating to whether a Participant has been discharged for Cause.

- (j) "Change in Control" means one of the following events:
- the merger, consolidation or other reorganization of the Company in which its outstanding common stock, \$0.01 par value, is converted into or exchanged for a different class of securities of the Company, a class of securities of any other issuer (except a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company), cash, or other property, other than a merger, consolidation or other reorganization that would result in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior to such merger or consolidation continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or any parent thereof), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities of the Company or such surviving entity or any parent thereof outstanding immediately after such merger, consolidation or other reorganization;
 - (ii) the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company to any other Person;
 - (iii) the consummation of a plan of complete liquidation and dissolution of the Company;
- (iv) the acquisition by any Person of beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, of more than 20% (based on voting power) of the Company's outstanding capital stock; or
- (the "*Incumbent Directors*") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board, provided that any individual becoming a director subsequent to the beginning of such period whose election or nomination for election was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the Incumbent Directors then on the Board (either by a specific vote or by approval of the proxy statement of the Company in which such individual is named as a nominee for director, without written objection to such nomination) shall be an Incumbent Director; provided, however, that no individual initially elected or nominated as a director of the Company as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to directors or as a result of any other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies by or on behalf of any individual other than the Board shall be deemed to be an Incumbent Director.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of any Award subject to Section 409A of the Code, a Change in Control shall not occur unless such transaction or series of related transactions, constitutes a change in ownership of the Company, a change in effective control of the Company or a change in ownership of a substantial portion of the Company's assets, each under Section 409A of the Code or otherwise constitutes a "change in control event" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code; provided, however, that if the Company treats an event as a Change in Control that does not meet the requirements of Section 409A of the Code, such Award shall be paid when it would otherwise have been paid but for the Change in Control.

(k) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time. References to any provision of the Code shall be deemed to include regulations thereunder and successor provisions and regulations thereto.

- (l) "Committee" means the Compensation Committee of the Board, or such other Board committee as may be designated by the Board to administer the Plan. Any such Committee that is authorized to grant Awards to Participants subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act (a "Section 16 Committee") shall, to the extent necessary to comply with Rule 16b-3, be comprised of two or more "nonemployee directors" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 or shall constitute the entire Board; provided, however, that no director who is also an employee of the Company may sit on any Committee (other than the full Board when it is sitting as the Section 16 Committee), and to the extent that the Company is required to comply with the Nasdaq Global Stock Market ("Nasdaq") requirements for listed companies, the Committee shall also be composed entirely of "independent directors" as required by Nasdaq.
- (m) "Deferred Stock Units" means a deferred stock unit Award that represents an unfunded and unsecured promise to deliver shares in accordance with the terms of the applicable Award Agreement.
- (n) "Disability" means: (i) in the case of a Participant whose employment or service is subject to the terms of an employment or other agreement, which agreement includes a definition of "Disability," the definition therein contained; or (ii) the term "Disability" as used in any applicable long-term disability plan, if any; or (iii) if there is no such agreement or plan, it means a physical or mental infirmity which impairs the Participant's ability to perform substantially his or her duties for a period of 180 consecutive days.
- (o) "Dividend Equivalent Right" means the right of a Participant, granted at the discretion of the Committee or as otherwise provided by the Plan, to receive a credit to the account of such Participant in an amount equal to the cash dividends paid on one share of Stock for each share of Stock represented by an Award held by such Participant.
 - (p) "Effective Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 8(k).
- (q) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time. References to any provision of the Exchange Act shall be deemed to include rules thereunder and successor provisions and rules thereto.
- (r) "Fair Market Value" means with respect to any date that the Stock is listed on a national securities exchange or quoted in an interdealer quotation system, the methods to determine value may range from but not limited to, closing share price on the last trading day prior to grant, average of the high and low price per share of the Stock on that date as reported in the Wall Street Journal (or other reporting service approved by the Committee), average daily share price, or volume weighted average share price; provided, however, that with respect to any day on which the markets are closed, "Fair Market Value" for that day shall be determined on the next available trading day, and further provided that with respect to Stock that is not listed on a national securities exchange or quoted in an interdealer quotation system and with respect to other property, or in the event of a Change in Control, the Fair Market Value of such Stock or other property shall be determined through the reasonable application of a reasonable valuation method based on the facts and circumstances as of the valuation date that is consistent with the requirements of Code Section 409A, including, at the election of the Committee, by an independent appraisal that meets the requirements of Code Section 401(a)(28)(C) and the regulations promulgated thereunder as of a date that is no more than 12 months before the relevant transaction to which the valuation is applied (for example, the date of grant of an Option) and such determination will be conclusive and binding on all Persons. The chosen Fair Market Value method for a particular grant will be defined and specified in the applicable Award Agreement.

- (s) "Good Reason" means, if the Participant is a party to an employment agreement or offer letter or any other individual agreement with the Company or an Affiliate, including but not limited to a severance protection agreement, and such agreement provides for a definition of Good Reason, the definition therein contained. If no such agreement or definition exists, it means the initial existence of any of the following conditions, in each case without the Participant's consent: (i) material diminution of the Participant's responsibilities, authorities or duties; (ii) a material diminution in the Participant's total salary; or (iii) the Company's requiring the Participant to be based anywhere other than within 75 miles of the Participant's place of employment or other service at the time of the occurrence of a Change in Control, except for reasonably required travel to the extent substantially consistent with the Participant's business travel obligations as in existence at the time of the Change in Control. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a condition will constitute Good Reason only if the Participant has provided written notice to the Company of the existence of the condition within 90 days following the initial existence of the condition and the Company fails to remedy the condition on or before the 30th day following its receipt such notice from the Participant.
- (t) "Incentive Stock Option" means any Option intended to be and designated as an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code.
 - (u) "Nonqualified Stock Option" means an Option that is not an Incentive Stock Option.
 - (v) "*Option*" means an Incentive Stock Option or a Nonqualified Stock Option.
- (w) "Other Stock-Based Award" means an equity based or equity related Award not otherwise described by the terms and provisions of the Plan that is granted pursuant to Section 6(h).
- (x) "Parent Corporation" means any corporation which is a parent corporation of the Company within the meaning of Section 424(e) of the Code.
- (y) "Participant" means an individual who, at a time when eligible under Section 5 hereof, has been granted an Award under the Plan.
- (z) "*Performance Goals*" means, for a Performance Period, the one or more goals established by the Committee for the Performance Period based upon business criteria or other performance measures determined by the Committee in its discretion.
- (aa) "Performance Period" means the one or more periods of time not less than one year nor more than five years in duration, as the Committee may specify, over which the attainment of one or more Performance Goals will be measured for the purpose of determining a Participant's right to and the payment of a Performance Share Award or a Cash Incentive Award.

- (bb) "*Performance Share*" means the grant of a right to receive a number of actual shares of Stock or share units based upon the performance of the Company during a Performance Period, as determined by the Committee.
 - (cc) "Performance Award" means an Award granted pursuant to Section 6(f) hereof.
- (dd) "**Person**" has the meaning given in Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act, including two or more persons acting as a syndicate or other group as modified and used in Sections 13(d)(3) and 14(d)(2) thereof, except that such term shall not include: (i) the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (ii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any of its Affiliates; (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities; or (iv) a corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the stockholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of the Company.
- (ee) "Restricted Stock" means an Award of Stock subject to forfeiture if the restrictions with respect to such Stock do not lapse.
- (ff) "Restricted Stock Unit" means a right to receive one share of Stock, or its cash value, subject to vesting conditions, the terms of the Plan and the applicable Agreement.

- (gg) "*Rule 16b-3*" means Rule 16b-3, as from time to time in effect and applicable to the Plan and Participants, promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.
 - (hh) "SAR" or "Stock Appreciation Right" means a right to receive the Appreciation Value of one share of Stock.
- (ii) "Stock" means the Common Stock, \$.01 par value, of the Company and such other securities as may be substituted for Stock or such other securities pursuant to Section 4 hereof.
- (jj) "Subsidiary" means any corporation which is a subsidiary corporation within the meaning of Section 424(f) of the Code with respect to the Company.
- (kk) "Ten-Percent Stockholder" means a Participant, who, at the time an Incentive Stock Option is to be granted to him or her, owns (within the meaning of Section 422(b)(6) of the Code) Stock possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company, or of a Parent Corporation or Subsidiary.

3. Administration.

- (a) **Authority of the Committee**. The Plan shall be administered by the Committee. The Committee shall have full and final authority to take the following actions, in each case subject to and consistent with the provisions of the Plan:
 - (i) to select individuals to whom Awards may be granted;

- (ii) to determine the type or types of Awards to be granted to each such individual;
- (iii) to determine the number of Awards to be granted, the number or value of shares of Stock to which an Award will relate, the terms and conditions of any Award granted under the Plan (including, but not limited to, any exercise price, grant price or purchase price, any restriction or condition, any schedule for lapse of restrictions or conditions relating to transferability or forfeiture, exercisability or settlement of an Award and waivers or accelerations thereof, performance conditions relating to an Award and waivers and modifications thereof, based in each case on such considerations as the Committee shall determine), and all other matters to be determined in connection with an Award;
- (iv) to determine the target number of Performance Shares to be granted pursuant to a Performance Share Award, the performance measures that will be used to establish the Performance Goals, the Performance Period or Periods and the number of Performance Shares earned by a Participant;
- (v) to determine whether, to what extent and under what circumstances an Award may be settled, or the exercise price of an Award may be paid, in Stock, cash, other Awards, or other property, or an Award may be canceled, forfeited, or surrendered;
 - (vi) to prescribe the form of each Agreement, which need not be identical for each Participant;
- (vii) to adopt, amend, suspend, waive and rescind such rules and regulations and appoint such agents as the Committee may deem necessary or advisable to administer the Plan;
- (viii) to correct any defect or supply any omission or reconcile any inconsistency in the Plan and to construe and interpret the Plan and any Award, rules and regulations, Agreement or other instrument hereunder; and
- (ix) to make all other decisions and determinations as may be required under the terms of the Plan or as the Committee may deem necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan.

- Manner of Exercise of Committee Authority. Unless authority is specifically reserved to the Board under the terms of the Plan, the Company's Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws, or applicable law, the Committee shall have sole discretion in exercising authority under the Plan. Any action of the Committee with respect to the Plan shall be final, conclusive and binding on all Persons, including the Company, any of its subsidiaries, Participants, any Person claiming any rights under the Plan from or through any Participant and stockholders, except to the extent the Committee may subsequently modify, or take further action not consistent with, its prior action. If not specified in the Plan, the time at which the Committee must or may make any determination shall be determined by the Committee, and any such determination may thereafter by modified by the Committee (subject to Section 8(g)). The express grant of any specific power to the Committee, and the taking of any action by the Committee, shall not be construed as limiting any power or authority of the Committee. The Committee may delegate to officers or managers of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company the authority, subject to such terms as the Committee shall determine, to perform administrative functions and, with respect to Participants not subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, to perform such other functions as the Committee may determine, to the extent permitted under Rule 16b-3, if applicable, and other applicable law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may delegate, by a resolution adopted by the Board, authority to one or more officers of the Company to do one or both of the following: (i) designate the officers and employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries who shall be granted Awards under the Plan, and (ii) determine the number of shares subject to the Awards to be granted to such officers and employees; provided, however, that said Board resolution shall specify the total number of shares or total value of shares that may be subject to Awards that shall be granted by such officer or officers, shall include the terms of the Awards, and shall specify either the exercise or purchase price of the Options or Restricted Stock, as the case may be, or the formula for determining such exercise or purchase price. The Board may not authorize any officer to designate himself or herself as a recipient of any Award hereunder. Further, the Committee may authorize the outsourcing of nondiscretionary administrative functions to a third party provider.
- (c) **Limitation of Liability**. No member of the Committee, nor any officer or employee of the Company acting on behalf of the Committee, shall be personally liable for any action, determination or interpretation taken or made in good faith with respect to the Plan, and all members of the Committee and any officer or employee of the Company acting on its behalf shall, to the extent permitted by law, be fully indemnified and protected by the Company with respect to any such action, determination or interpretation.

4. Stock Subject to Plan.

(a) Amount of Stock Reserved. Subject to Section 4(d) and the following provision regarding the Evergreen Increase, the maximum number of shares of Stock that may be made the subject of all Awards granted under the Plan is 1,225,000 (the "Share Reserve"). The Share Reserve will automatically increase on February 1st of each calendar year, for a period of not more than ten (10) years, beginning on February 1, 2022 and ending on (and including) February 1, 2031 (each an "Evergreen Date") in an amount equal to three percent (3%) of the total number of shares of Stock outstanding on the date immediately preceding the Evergreen Date (the "Evergreen Increase"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may act prior to the Evergreen Date of a given year to provide that there will be no Evergreen Increase for such year, or that the Evergreen Increase for such year will be a lesser number of shares of Stock than would otherwise occur pursuant to the preceding sentence. Any of the authorized shares of Stock may be used for any type of Award under the Plan, and any or all of the Shares may be allocated to Incentive Stock Options. The Company shall reserve for the purposes of the Plan, out of its authorized but unissued shares of Stock or out of shares of Stock reacquired by the Company in any manner, or partly out of each, such number of shares of Stock as shall be determined by the Board. Any Award that is settled by the terms of the Plan or the terms of such Award in cash or other property that is not Stock shall not reduce or otherwise count against the number of shares of Stock available for Awards under the Plan, or such other limitations provided for in this Section 4(a).

- (b) Annual Director Limit. The maximum number of shares of Stock subject to Awards granted during a single calendar year to any member of the Board in his or her capacity as a director, together with any cash fees paid to such member of the Board during the calendar year in such capacity, shall not exceed a total value of \$1,000,000 (calculating the value of any Awards based on the grant date fair value for financial reporting purposes). For the avoidance of doubt, any compensation that is deferred shall be counted toward this limit for the calendar year in which it was first earned, and not when paid or settled if later.
- (c) **Share Counting**. In connection with the grant of an Award, the maximum number of shares of Stock available for grant shall be reduced by the number of shares of Stock in respect of which the Award is granted or denominated; provided however that

in the case of an Award that provides for a range of potential payouts of shares of Stock the Committee shall determine the extent to which the maximum number of shares of Stock available for grant has been reduced in respect of such an Award. Any shares of Stock related to an outstanding Award or portion thereof that terminates by expiration, cancellation, forfeiture or otherwise without the issuance of the shares of Stock shall be available again for grant under the Plan. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, shares of Stock used or withheld to pay the exercise price or tax obligations of a Participant, or shares not issued in connection with settlement of an Option or SAR or underlying any Award that is settled in cash in lieu of shares of Stock, will not be available again for grant under the Plan.

- (d) **Adjustments.** In the event that the Committee determines that any dividend or other distribution (whether in the form of Stock or other property), recapitalization, forward or reverse split, reorganization, merger, consolidation, spin-off, combination, repurchase or exchange of Stock or other securities, liquidation, dissolution, or other similar corporate transaction or event, affects the Stock such that an adjustment is appropriate in order to prevent dilution or enlargement of the rights of Participants under the Plan, then the Committee shall, in such manner as it may deem equitable, adjust any or all of (i) the number and kind of shares of Stock reserved and available for Awards under Section 4(a), including shares reserved for Incentive Stock Options and Restricted Stock, (ii) the number and kind of shares of Stock specified in the Annual Per-Participant Limitations under Section 4(a), (iii) the number and kind of shares of outstanding Restricted Stock or other outstanding Award in connection with which shares have been issued, (iv) the number and kind of shares that may be issued in respect of other outstanding Awards and, (v) the exercise price or purchase price relating to any Award. In addition, the Committee is authorized to make adjustments in the terms and conditions of, and the criteria included in, Awards in recognition of unusual or nonrecurring events (including, without limitation, events described in the preceding sentence) affecting the Company or any Affiliate or the financial statements of the Company or any Affiliate or in response to changes in applicable laws, regulations, or accounting principles. The foregoing notwithstanding, no adjustments shall be authorized under this Section 4(d) with respect to Incentive Stock Options to the extent that such authority would cause any Award to fail to comply with Section 422 of the Code. Any adjustment to such Awards shall be made in compliance with Section 409A of the Code and Treasury Regulation section 1.409A-1(b)(5)(iii)(E)(4), as applicable.
- No Restrictions on Adjustments. The existence of the Plan, the Award Agreement and the Awards granted hereunder shall not affect or restrict in any way the right or power of the Company or the stockholders of the Company to make or authorize any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the Company's capital structure or its business, any merger or consolidation of the Company, any issue of Stock or of Options, warrants or rights to purchase Stock or of bonds, debentures, preferred or prior preference stocks whose rights are superior to or affect the Stock or the rights thereof or which are convertible into or exchangeable for Stock, or the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, or any sale or transfer of all or any part of its assets or business, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise.

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5. **Eligibility**. Officers, employees, consultants and directors of the Company and its Affiliates are eligible to be granted Awards under the Plan; however, only employees of the Company and its Parent Corporation and its Subsidiaries are eligible to receive Incentive Stock Options.

6. Specific Terms of Awards.

- (a) General. Awards may be granted on the terms and conditions set forth in this Section 6. In addition, the Committee may impose on any Award or the exercise thereof such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine, including terms requiring forfeiture of Awards in the event of termination of employment or other service of the Participant.
 - (b) **Options**. The Committee is authorized to grant Options on the following terms and conditions:
- (i) Exercise Price. The exercise price per share of Stock purchasable under an Option shall be determined by the Committee, provided that such exercise price shall be not less than the Fair Market Value of a share of Stock on the date of grant of such Option, and further provided that the exercise price per share shall not be less than 110% of the Fair Market Value on the date of grant in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Ten-Percent Stockholder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Option granted under an assumption or substitution for another stock option in a manner satisfying the provisions of Section 424(a) of the Code, as if the Option was a statutory stock option, may be granted with an Exercise Price lower than the Fair Market Value per share on the date of grant.

(ii) Time and Method of Exercise. The Committee shall determine the time or times at which an Option
may be exercised in whole or in part (which may be based on performance or other criteria), provided that no Option (other than an
Option granted in substitution for another stock option under Section 6(i) hereof) may be granted with a vesting provision that permits
any portion of the Option to be exercised prior to 12 months from the date of grant. The exercise price of Stock acquired pursuant to
the exercise of an Option shall be paid either: (1) through a "cashless exercise" procedure that is acceptable to the Committee in its full
discretion, to the extent such procedure does not violate the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 or any other applicable law; (2) in cash at the
time of purchase if permitted by the Committee; or (3) subject to applicable law, in any other form of legal consideration that may be
acceptable to the Committee in its discretion.

- (iii) **Incentive Stock Options.** The terms of any Incentive Stock Option granted under the Plan shall comply in all respects with the provisions of Section 422 of the Code, including but not limited to the requirement that no Incentive Stock Option shall be granted more than ten years after the date of the Plan's adoption by the Board (or March 10, 2030). An Incentive Stock Option shall not be exercisable after the expiration of 10 years from the date it is granted (five years in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Ten-Percent Stockholder). An Option shall be treated as an Incentive Stock Option only to the extent that the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined at the time the Option is granted) of the shares with respect to which all Incentive Stock Options held by a Participant (under the Plan and all other plans of the Company, its Parent Corporation or Subsidiary) become exercisable for the first time during any calendar year does not exceed \$100,000. This limitation shall be applied by taking Options into account in the order in which they were granted. To the extent this limitation is exceeded, an Option shall be treated as a Nonqualified Stock Option regardless of its designation as an Incentive Stock Option. Should any Incentive Stock Option remain exercisable more than three months after employment terminates for any reason other than Disability or death, or more than one year after employment terminates if employment terminates due to Disability, the Option shall immediately be converted to a Nonqualified Stock Option; provided, however, that if the Disability causing a Participant's termination of employment does not fit within the definition of "disability" under Section 422(c)(6) of the Code, the Option shall convert into a Nonqualified Stock Option three months after termination of employment although it will remain outstanding for one year after termination of employment. The Company shall have no liability in the event it is determined that any Option intended to be an Incentive Stock Option fails to qualify as such, whether such failure is a result of the Participant's disposition of shares purchased under the Option prior to the later of two years from the date of grant of the Option or one year from the date of transfer of the purchased shares to the Participant, the terms of this Plan or any governing Agreement or any other action or inaction by the Company or any Participant.
 - (c) Stock Appreciation Rights. The Committee is authorized to grant SARs on the following terms and conditions:
- (i) **Exercise Price**. The exercise price per share of Stock purchasable under a SAR shall be determined by the Committee, but in no event shall a SAR be granted at an exercise price of at least Fair Market Value of a share of Stock on the date of grant of such SAR. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a SAR granted under an assumption or substitution for another SAR in a manner satisfying the provisions of Section 424(a) of the Code, as if the SAR was a statutory stock option, may be granted with an Exercise Price lower than the Fair Market Value per share on the date of grant.
- (ii) Time and Method of Exercise. The Committee shall determine the time or times at which a SAR may be exercised in whole or in part (which may be based on performance or other criteria), provided that no SAR (other than a SAR granted in substitution for another SAR under Section 6(i) hereof) may be granted with a vesting provision that permits any portion of the SAR to be exercised prior to 12 months from the date of grant. The full or partial exercise of an Award of SARs shall be made by a written notice delivered in person or by mail or telecopy to the Secretary of the Company at the Company's principal executive office, or through such other notification method that the Committee may adopt including but not limited to electronic methods, specifying the number of SARs with respect to which the Award is being exercised. If requested by the Committee, the Participant shall deliver the Award Agreement evidencing the SARs being exercised to the Secretary of the Company who shall endorse thereon a notation of such exercise and return such Agreement to the Participant.

- (iii) Amount Payable. Upon the exercise of SARs, the Participant shall be entitled to receive a value paid in cash or a number of shares (as specified in the Award), which shall be determined by multiplying (A) the Appreciation Value by (B) the number of SARs being exercised, minus the value withheld for payment of taxes pursuant to Section 8(d). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may limit in any manner the number of shares that may be delivered with respect to any Award of SARs by including such a limit in the Award Agreement evidencing SARs at the time of grant.
- (d) **Restricted Stock**. The Committee is authorized to grant Restricted Stock on the following terms and conditions, including those with respect to which the restrictions lapse upon the achievement of Performance Goals:
- (i) **Grants and Restrictions.** Restricted Stock shall be subject to such restrictions on transferability and other restrictions, if any, as the Committee may impose, which restrictions may lapse separately or in combination at such times, under such circumstances (including upon the achievement of Performance Goals), in such installments, or otherwise, as the Committee may determine; provided that the Committee shall determine the time or times at which restrictions will lapse, in whole or in part, provided that no Award (other than an Award granted in substitution for another award under Section 6(i) hereof) may be granted with a vesting provision that permits the restrictions on any portion of the Award to lapse prior to 12 months from the date of grant. A Participant granted Restricted Stock or Performance Shares shall have such stockholder rights as may be set forth in the applicable Agreement, including, for example, the right to vote the Restricted Stock or Performance Shares.
- (ii) **Forfeiture**. Upon termination of employment or other service (as determined under criteria established by the Committee) during the applicable restriction period, Restricted Stock and Performance Shares that are at that time subject to restrictions shall be forfeited and shall become available for grant again by the Company; provided, however, that the Committee may provide, by rule or regulation or in any Award Agreement, or may determine in any individual case, that restrictions or forfeiture conditions relating to Restricted Stock will be waived in whole or in part in the event of termination resulting from death or Disability.
- (iii) **Evidence for Stock**. Restricted Stock and Performance Shares granted under the Plan may be evidenced in such manner as the Committee shall determine, including electronic book entry form.
- (iv) **Dividends**. Any dividends that may be paid on Restricted Stock shall be withheld by the Company for the Participant's account, subject to such terms as the Committee may determine. Dividends so withheld by the Committee and attributable to any particular share of Restricted Stock (and earnings thereon, if any) shall be distributed to the Participant in cash or, at the discretion of the Committee, in shares of unrestricted Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of such dividends, upon the release of restrictions on such share or, if such share of Restricted Stock is forfeited, such dividends shall be forfeited and the Participant shall have no right thereto. Subject to Section 409A of the Code, the payment of such dividends may be deferred or the amount or value thereof automatically reinvested in additional Restricted Stock, other Awards, or other investment vehicles, as the Committee may determine or permit the Participant to elect. Stock distributed in connection with a Stock split or Stock dividend, and other property distributed as a dividend, shall be subject to restrictions and a risk of forfeiture to the same extent as the Restricted Stock with respect to which such Stock or other property has been distributed.

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(e) Restricted Stock Units.

- (i) **Grant**. The Committee may grant Awards of Restricted Stock Units to Participants, each of which shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement between the Company and the Participant. Each Agreement shall contain such restrictions, terms and conditions as the Committee may, in its discretion, determine, subject to the terms and provisions set forth below in this Section 6(e).
- (ii) **Rights of Grantees**. Until all restrictions upon Restricted Stock Units awarded to a Participants shall have lapsed in the manner set forth in Section 6(e), the Participant shall not be a stockholder of the Company, nor have any of the rights or privileges of a stockholder of the Company, including, without limitation, rights to receive dividends and voting rights with respect to the Restricted Stock Units. However, the Committee, in its discretion, may provide in the Award Agreement evidencing any Restricted Stock Unit Award that the Participant shall be entitled to Dividend Equivalent Rights with respect to the payment of cash dividends on Stock during the period beginning on the date such Award is granted and ending, with respect to each share subject to the Award, on the earlier of the date the Award is settled or the date on which it is terminated. Such Dividend Equivalent Rights, if any, shall be paid by crediting the Participant with a cash amount or with additional whole Restricted Stock Units as of the date of payment of such cash dividends on Stock, as determined by the Committee. The number of additional Restricted Stock Units (rounded to the nearest whole number), if

any, to be so credited shall be determined by dividing (A) the amount of cash dividends paid on such date with respect to the number of shares of Stock represented by the Restricted Stock Units previously credited to the Participant by (B) the Fair Market Value per share of Stock on such date. Such cash amounts or additional Restricted Stock Units shall be subject to the same terms and conditions and shall be settled in the same manner and at the same time as the Restricted Stock Units originally subject to the Restricted Stock Unit Award.

- (iii) Restricted Stock Unit Account. The Company or its third party administrator shall establish and maintain a separate account ("Restricted Stock Unit Account") for each Participant who has received a grant of Restricted Stock Units, and such account shall be credited for the number of Restricted Stock Units granted to such Participant.
- (iv) **Vesting**. Restricted Stock Units awarded hereunder shall vest at such time or times and on such terms and conditions (including on the achievement of Performance Goals) as the Committee may determine, provided that no Award may be granted with a vesting provision that permits any portion of the Award (other than an Award granted in substitution for another award under Section 6(i) hereof) to vest prior to 12 months from the date of grant. The Award Agreement evidencing the Award of Restricted Stock Units shall set forth any such terms and conditions.
- (v) **Payment or Delivery of Cash or Stock**. As soon as practicable after each vesting date of an Award of Restricted Stock Units, but in any event no later than the 15th day of the third calendar month following the month in which the vesting date occurs, payment shall be made in cash or in Stock (as specified in the Award and based upon the Fair Market Value of the Stock on the day all restrictions lapse). Any payment made in Stock shall be delivered electronically. Any number of shares delivered hereunder shall be net of the number of shares withheld pursuant to Section 8(d), and any cash payment delivered hereunder shall be net of cash withheld pursuant to Section 8(d), if applicable.

- (f) **Performance Awards and Cash Incentive Awards**. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant Performance Shares or Cash Incentive Awards to Participants as may be selected by the Committee. Each Performance Award shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement, and shall be subject to the conditions set forth in this Section 6(f), and to such other conditions not inconsistent with the Plan as may be reflected in the applicable Award Agreement.
- (i) The Committee shall have the discretion to determine: (A) the number of shares of Stock or stock-denominated units subject to a Performance Share Award granted to any Participant; (B) the maximum monetary amount subject to a Cash Incentive Award granted to any Participant; (C) the Performance Period applicable to any Performance Award; (D) the conditions that must be satisfied for a Participant to earn a Performance Award; and (E) any other terms, conditions and restrictions of the Performance Award.
- (ii) The number of Performance Shares or the dollar amount of cash, as applicable, earned by a Participant will depend on the extent to which the Performance Goals established by the Committee are attained within the applicable Performance Period, as determined by the Committee.
- (g) Cash-Based Awards. Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time, and from time to time, may grant Cash-Based Awards under the Plan to eligible individuals in such amounts and upon such terms as the Committee shall determine, provided that no Award (other than an Award granted in substitution for another award under Section 6(i) hereof) may be granted with a vesting provision that permits any portion of the Award to be vested prior to 12 months from the date of grant. Any Cash-Based Award may be granted as a Cash Incentive Award pursuant to Section 6(f) hereof.
- (i) Value. Each Cash-Based Award shall specify a payment amount or payment range as determined by the Committee.
- (ii) **Method of Payment**. Payment, if any, with respect to a Cash-Based Award shall be made in accordance with the terms of the Award in cash.
- (iii) **Termination of Employment or Other Service**. The Committee shall determine the extent to which a Participant's rights with respect to Cash-Based Awards shall be affected by the Participant's termination of employment or other service. Such provisions shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Committee and need not be uniform among all Cash-Based Awards issued pursuant to the Plan.

- (h) Other Stock-Based Awards. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee shall have the sole authority to grant to Participants other equity-based or equity-related Awards (including but not limited to Deferred Stock Units and fully-vested Shares) in amounts subject to such terms and conditions as the Committee shall determine, including but not limited to, at the Committee's discretion, Dividend Equivalent Rights, provided that such Awards comply with applicable laws; provided that no Award (other than an Award granted in substitution for another award under Section 6(i) hereof) may be granted with a vesting provision that permits any portion of the Award to be vested prior to 12 months from the date of grant.
- (i) **Method of Payment**. Payment, if any, with respect to an Other Stock-Based Award shall be made in accordance with the terms of the Award, in cash or shares of Stock as the Committee determines.
- (ii) **Termination of Employment or Other Service**. The Committee shall determine the extent to which a Participant's rights with respect to Other Stock-Based Awards shall be affected by the Participant's termination of employment or other service. Such provisions shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Committee and need not be uniform among all Other Stock-Based Awards issued pursuant to the Plan.
- (i) Awards in Substitution for Awards Granted by Other Corporations. Options and other Awards may be granted under the Plan from time to time in substitution for stock options and other awards held by employees of corporations who become employees of the Company or of any Subsidiary as a result of a merger or consolidation of the employing corporation with the Company or such Subsidiary, or the acquisition by the Company or Subsidiary of all or a portion of the assets of the employing corporation, or the acquisition by the Company or a Subsidiary of stock of the employing corporation with the result that such employing corporation becomes a Subsidiary. Notwithstanding anything in this Plan to the contrary, no Option or SAR granted in substitution for another stock option or SAR under this Section 6(i) may be granted with a vesting provision that permits any portion of the Option or SAR to become exercisable earlier than provided for under the original stock option or SAR, and no other Award granted in substitution for another award under this Section 6(i) may be granted with a vesting provision that permits the restrictions on any portion of the Award to lapse or the award to otherwise vest earlier than provided for under the original award.

7. Certain Provisions Applicable to All Awards

(a) **Term of Awards**. The term of each Award shall be for such period as may be determined by the Committee; provided, however, that in no event shall the term of any Award exceed a period of ten years from the date of its grant or, in the case of any Incentive Stock Option granted to a Ten-Percent Stockholder, five years.

(b) Change in Control.

General. In connection with a Change in Control, the Committee may, to the extent permitted by applicable law, but otherwise in in its sole discretion, provide for: (1) the waiver of performance conditions, acceleration of vesting or lapse of restrictions with respect to any or all Awards granted hereunder; (2) the continuation of outstanding Awards by the Company (if the Company is the surviving entity); (3) the assumption of the Plan and the outstanding Awards by the surviving entity or its parent; (4) the substitution by the surviving entity or its parent of awards with substantially the same terms (including an award to acquire the same consideration paid to the stockholders in the Change in Control) for the outstanding Awards and, if appropriate, subject to the equitable adjustment provisions of Section 4(d); (5) the cancellation of the outstanding Awards in consideration for a payment (in the form of securities or cash) equal in value to the Fair Market Value of vested Awards, or in the case of an Option or SAR, the difference between the Fair Market Value and the Exercise Price for all shares of Stock subject to exercise (i.e., to the extent vested) under any outstanding Option or SAR; or (6) the cancellation of the outstanding Awards without payment of any consideration therefor. In the event of any such cancellation, if the exercise price of an Option or SAR is less than the Fair Market Value of the shares covered by such Option or SAR (the "Spread"), the Committee must provide either that (A) any such cancelled Option or SAR shall be deemed automatically exercised or (B) the affected Participants shall receive cash, property, shares or a combination thereof, in an amount equal to the value of the Spread. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan or any Award Agreement, no cancellation pursuant to this provision shall be deemed an action that materially impairs the rights of any Participant under any outstanding Award, and no Participant consent shall be required with respect to the cancellation of any Award under this provision including but not limited to Awards that qualify as Incentive Stock Options. The settlement and payment of an Award (other than an Option or SAR) under this Section 7(b)(i) shall be made within 30 days following the occurrence of a Change in Control (except to the extent that settlement and payment of the Award must be made pursuant (ii) **Termination Following a Change in Control**. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, and subject to Section 7(b), unless otherwise provided by the Committee in an Award Agreement, all conditions and restrictions relating to an Award, including limitations on exercisability, risks of forfeiture and conditions and restrictions requiring the continued performance of services or the achievement of Performance Goals with respect to the exercisability or settlement of such Award, shall immediately lapse upon a termination of employment or other service by the Company without Cause or by a Participant for Good Reason within twelve months after a Change in Control, and any such Award that is an Option shall remain outstanding until the earlier of the last day of the term of such Option, or the end of the last day of the one-year period following such termination. The settlement and payment of an Award (other than Options and SARS) under this Section 7(b)(ii) shall be made within 30 days following the occurrence of such termination of employment or other service (except to the extent that settlement and payment of the Award must be made pursuant to its original schedule in order to comply with Code Section 409A).

(c) Treatment of Award upon Termination of Employment or Other Service.

- (i) Cessation of Vesting. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee at the time of grant or thereafter or as otherwise provided in this Plan, any unvested portion of any outstanding Award held by a Participant at the time of termination of employment or other service will be forfeited upon such termination.
- (ii) Cessation of Exercisability. Except as provided in the Plan or as otherwise determined by the Committee at the time of grant or thereafter, upon termination of a Participant's employment or other service with the Company and its Affiliates without Cause, such Participant may exercise the vested portion of any outstanding Option until the earlier of the last day of the Option term or the last day of the exercise period as specified in the Award Agreement, following such termination of employment or other service.

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- (iii) **Death or Disability**. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee at the time of grant or thereafter, upon termination of a Participant's employment or other service with the Company and its Affiliates due to death or Disability, such Participant may exercise the vested portion of any outstanding Option until the earlier of the last day of the term of the Option or the last day of the one-year period following such termination of employment or other service.
- (iv) **Termination by the Company or an Affiliate for Cause**. Upon termination of a Participant's employment or other service with the Company and its Affiliates due to Cause, both the vested and unvested portions of any outstanding Option or SAR held by such Participant shall immediately be forfeited and no longer be exercisable.

(d) Clawback.

- (i) Notwithstanding anything in the Plan or any Agreement to the contrary, in the event that a Participant or former Participant breaches any non-solicitation, non-competition or confidentiality agreement entered into with, or while acting on behalf of, the Company or any Affiliate, the Committee may, in its sole discretion but acting in good faith, direct the Company to (a) cancel any outstanding Award granted to such Participant or former Participant, in whole or in part, whether or not vested, or (b) require such Participant or former Participant to repay to the Company any gain realized or payment or shares received upon the exercise or payment of, or lapse of restrictions with respect to, such Award (with such gain, payment or shares valued as of the date of exercise, payment or lapse of restrictions). Such cancellation or repayment obligation shall be effective as of the date specified by the Committee.
- (ii) Notwithstanding anything in the Plan or any Agreement to the contrary, if any of the Company's financial statements are required to be restated due to errors, omissions, fraud, or misconduct, the Committee may, in its sole discretion but acting in

good faith, direct the Company to recover all or a portion of any Award or any past or future compensation from any Participant or former Participant with respect to any fiscal year of the Company for which the financial results are negatively affected by such restatement. For purposes of this Subsection 7(d)(ii), errors, omissions, fraud, or misconduct may include but are not limited to circumstances where the Company has been required to prepare an accounting restatement due to material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirement, as enforced by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Any recovery of any Award or recovery of any past or future compensation shall be limited solely to Participants or former Participants that the Committee has determined, in its sole discretion, to have had knowledge or that should have had knowledge of such errors, omissions, fraud, or misconduct or the circumstances that gave rise to such restatement and failed to take reasonable steps to bring it to the attention of the appropriate individuals within the Company, or the Participant or former Participant personally and knowingly engaged in practices that materially contributed to the circumstances that gave rise to such restatement.

(iii) Any repayment obligation required under Section 7(d)(i) or (ii) above may be satisfied in shares of Stock or cash or a combination thereof (based upon the Fair Market Value of the shares of Stock on the date of repayment), and the Committee may provide for an offset to any future payments owed by the Company or any Affiliate to the Participant or former Participant if necessary to satisfy the repayment obligation; provided, however, that if any such offset is prohibited under applicable law, the Committee shall not permit any offsets and may require immediate repayment by the Participant.

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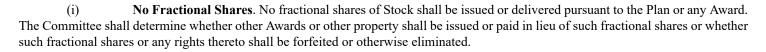
(e) **Term Extension and Timing of Payment**. Notwithstanding Section 7(b)(ii) or any other provision hereunder, once granted, neither the exercise period nor the term of any Award may be extended, if such extension, would cause the Award to be subject to taxes under Section 409A of the Code. In addition, the timing of any payment hereunder shall comply with Section 409A of the Code.

8. General Provisions.

- Compliance with Laws and Obligations. The Company shall not be obligated to issue or deliver Stock or to make any cash payment in connection with any Award or take any other action under the Plan in a transaction subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any other federal or state securities law, any requirement under any listing agreement between the Company and any national securities exchange or automated quotation system or any other law, regulation or contractual obligation of the Company until the Company is satisfied that such laws, regulations, and other obligations of the Company have been complied with in full. Shares of Stock issued under the Plan will be subject to such stop-transfer orders and other restrictions as may be applicable under such laws, regulations and other obligations of the Company.
- Limitations on Transferability. No Award shall be transferable by a Participant other than by will or by the laws of descent and distribution and an Option shall be exercisable during the lifetime of such Participant only by the Participant or his or her guardian or legal representative. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may set forth at the time of grant (but not thereafter), in the Award Agreement evidencing an Award (other than an Incentive Stock Option), that the Option may be transferred to members of the Participant's immediate family, to trusts solely for the benefit of such immediate family members and to partnerships in which such family members or trusts are the only partners, and for purposes of this Plan, a transferee of an Option shall be deemed to be the Participant. For this purpose, immediate family means the Participant's spouse, parents, children, stepchildren and grandchildren and the spouses of such parents, children, stepchildren and grandchildren. The terms of an Option shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the beneficiaries, executors, administrators, heirs and successors of the Participant. Until all restrictions upon the shares of Restricted Stock awarded to a Participant shall have lapsed or such other Awards shall have vested, shares subject to such Awards shall not be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of, shall not be pledged or otherwise hypothecated, and shall not be subject to the claims of creditors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Award may be transferable if either the ability to transfer or the transfer itself would cause the Award to be subject to the excise tax under Section 409A of the Code.
- (c) No Right to Continued Employment or Service. Neither the Plan nor any action taken hereunder shall be construed as giving any employee or other individual the right to be retained in the employ or service of the Company or any Subsidiary, nor shall it interfere in any way with the right of the Company or any Subsidiary to terminate any employee's employment or other individual's service at any time.

- (d) Taxes. At such times as a Participant has taxable income in connection with an Award granted hereunder (a "Taxable Event") and (i) the Award is delivered in cash, the Company will require the withholding of a portion of any cash payment in an amount equal to the minimum federal, state and local income taxes and other amounts as may be required by law to be withheld by the Company in connection with the Taxable Event (the "Withholding Taxes") or (ii) the Award is delivered in shares, the Company may, prior to the issuance or release from escrow of shares, in lieu of a cash payment from the Participant, require the withholding of a portion of the shares then issuable to the Participant having an aggregate Fair Market Value equal to, but not in excess of, the Withholding Taxes.
- Changes to the Plan and Awards. The Board may amend, alter, suspend, discontinue or terminate the Plan or the Committee's authority to grant Awards under the Plan without the consent of stockholders or Participants, except that any such action shall be subject to the approval of the Company's stockholders at or before the next annual meeting of stockholders for which the record date is after such Board action if such stockholder approval is required by any federal or state law or regulation or the rules of any stock exchange or automated quotation system on which the Stock may then be listed or quoted, and the Board may otherwise, in its discretion, determine to submit other such changes to the Plan to stockholders for approval; provided, however, that, except as specifically permitted under the Plan, no such action may materially impair the rights of any Participant with respect to any outstanding Award without the consent of such Participant. The Committee may waive any conditions or rights under, or amend, alter, suspend, discontinue or terminate any Award theretofore granted and any Agreement relating thereto; provided, however, that, except as specifically permitted under the Plan, no such action may materially impair the rights of a Participant with respect to any outstanding Award without the consent of such Participant. Notwithstanding this Section 8(e) or any other provision of the Plan to the contrary, except as otherwise permitted in Section 4(d) of the Plan, unless stockholder approval is obtained (i) no modification or amendment of any outstanding Option or SAR may reduce the exercise price of such Option or SAR; (ii) no Option or SAR may be canceled and replaced with a new Option or SAR at a lower exercise price or another Award or cash if such cancelation and replacement would be considered a "repricing" for purposes of the stockholder approval rules of the applicable securities exchange or inter-dealer quotation system on which the Stock is listed or quoted; and (iii) the Committee may not take any other action that is considered a repricing for purposes of such stockholder approval rules. Except with respect to accelerations and cancellations that are effected pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Plan, (A) no Award that is intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" may be amended or modified if such amendment or modification would cause such Award to lose its qualification as "performance-based compensation," and (B) no term of any Incentive Stock Option may be changed or modified without the consent of the Participant if such change or modification would cause the Incentive Stock Option to fail to qualify as such. All Options and SARs granted hereunder are prohibited from a cash buyout without stockholder approval, except as otherwise permitted in Section 7(b) in connection with a Change in Control.
- (f) No Rights to Awards; No Stockholder Rights. No Participant or employee shall have any claim to be granted any Award under the Plan, and there is no obligation for uniformity of treatment of Participants and employees. No Award shall confer on any Participant any of the rights of a stockholder of the Company unless and until Stock is duly issued or transferred and delivered to the Participant in accordance with the terms of the Award or, in the case of an Option, the Option is duly exercised.

- Unfunded Status of Awards and Section 409A of the Code. The Plan is intended to constitute an "unfunded" plan for incentive compensation and nothing contained in the Plan shall give any Participant any rights that are greater than those of a general unsecured creditor of the Company. To the extent applicable, this Plan is intended to comply with Section 409A of the Code, and the Committee shall interpret and administer the Plan in accordance therewith. Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan or Agreement to the contrary, if one or more of the payments or benefits to be received by a Participant pursuant to an Award would constitute deferred compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code, and could cause the Participant to incur any penalty tax or interest under Section 409A of the Code or any regulations or Treasury guidance promulgated thereunder, the Company may reform the Plan and Award to maintain (to the maximum extent practicable) the original intent of the Plan and Award provided, that such reformation complies with any requirements of Section 409A of the Code (including any regulations thereto and any guidance issued by the taxing authorities). No actions taken pursuant to this Section 8(g) shall be subject to a Participant's consent.
- (h) **Nonexclusivity of the Plan**. Neither the adoption of the Plan by the Board nor its submission to the stockholders of the Company for approval shall be construed as creating any limitations on the power of the Board to adopt such other compensatory arrangements as it may deem desirable, including, without limitation, the granting of stock options other than under the Plan, and such arrangements may be either applicable generally or only in specific cases.



- (j) Governing Law. The validity, construction and effect of the Plan, any rules and regulations relating to the Plan and any Agreement shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to principles of conflicts of laws, and applicable federal law.
- (k) **Effective Date**. This Plan was adopted by the Board and the sole stockholder of the Company on November 3, 2021, and effective as of the same date (the "*Effective Date*").
- (l) **Term of Plan.** The Plan shall terminate on the 10th anniversary of the Effective Date and no Award may be granted thereafter (and no Incentive Stock Option may be granted after the 10th anniversary of the Plan's adoption by the Board); provided, however, that the Board shall have the right to earlier terminate the Plan provided that no such termination shall: (i) impair or adversely alter any Awards theretofore granted under the Plan, except with the consent of the Participant, or (ii) deprive any Participant of any Stock which he or she may have acquired through or as a result of the Plan.

- (m) **Electronic Transmission**. Notwithstanding any provision of this Plan to the contrary, at such time as the Company institutes a policy or practice for delivery of notice or Award by e-mail, any written Award or notice referred to herein may be given in accordance with such policy and practice.
- (n) **Limitation on Liability**. The Company and any Affiliate that is in existence or that hereinafter comes into existence will have no liability to any Participant or any other Person as to (a) the non-issuance or sale of shares of Stock as to which the Company has been unable to obtain from any regulatory body having jurisdiction the authority deemed by counsel to the Company necessary to the lawful issuance and sale of any shares hereunder; (b) any tax consequences expected, but not realized, by a Participant or any other Person due to the receipt, exercise, or settlement of any Award granted hereunder; or (c) the failure of any Award that is determined to constitute "nonqualified deferred compensation" to comply with Section 409A of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.



LOYALTY VENTURES INC.

EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

The following constitute the provisions of the Loyalty Ventures Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

On November 3, 2021, the Board and sole stockholder approved the adoption of the Loyalty Ventures Inc. 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, to be effective on November 3, 2021 (the "*Effective Date*"). Pursuant to the terms hereof, the Company has reserved 1,000,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock for issuance under the Plan.

Purpose. The purpose of the Plan is to provide Employees with an opportunity to purchase Common Stock. The Company intends the Plan to qualify as an "employee stock purchase plan" under Section 423 of the Code. The provisions of the Plan shall, accordingly, be construed so as to extend and limit participation in a manner consistent with the requirement of that section of the Code.

2. **Definitions**.

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Offering Period.

- (a) "Board" means the board of directors of the Company.
- (b) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- (c) "Common Stock" means the common stock of the Company.
- (d) "Company" means Loyalty Ventures Inc., a Delaware corporation.
 - sick pay, vacation pay and holiday pay, as the case may be, paid to an Employee by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary, but excludes bonuses and other incentive compensation, disability pay, workers compensation, severance pay, service related cash awards, any amounts which constitute tax gross ups of taxable amounts, income realized as a result of participation in any stock option, stock purchase, or similar plan of the Company or any Designated Subsidiary and any other form of variable compensation (other than overtime and commissions). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may amend the definition of Compensation for any Offering Period prior to the commencement of such

"Compensation" means an Employee's regular wages (i.e., gross straight time), base salary, overtime, commissions,

- (f) "Contributions" means all amounts credited to the account of a participant pursuant to the Plan.
- (g) "Corporate Transaction" means a sale of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or a merger, consolidation or other capital reorganization of the Company with or into another corporation.

- (h) "Data Recipients" has the meaning set forth in Section 27.
- (i) "Designated Broker" has the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).

- (j) "Designated Subsidiaries" means the Subsidiaries that have been designated by the Board from time to time in its sole discretion as eligible to participate in the Plan.
- (k) "Effective Date" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- (l) "*Employee*" means any person, including an Officer, who is an employee of the Company or any of its Designated Subsidiaries for tax purposes.
- (m) "Enrollment Documents" has the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
- (n) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- or quoted in an interdealer quotation system, the average of the high and low price per share of the Stock on that date as reported in the *Wall Street Journal* (or other reporting service approved by the Board); provided, however, that with respect to any day on which the markets are closed, "Fair Market Value" for that day means the average of the high and low price per share of the Stock as reported in the Wall Street Journal (or other reporting service approved by the Board) on the next trading day, and further provided that with respect to Common Stock that is not listed on a national securities exchange or quoted in an interdealer quotation system the Fair Market Value shall be determined in a reasonable manner using reasonable valuation methods or procedures as shall be established from time to time by the Board.

"Fair Market Value" means, with respect to any date that the Common Stock is listed on a national securities exchange

- (p) "New Purchase Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 20(b).
- (q) "Offering Date" means the first business day of each Offering Period of the Plan.
- (r) "Offering Period" means, unless amended pursuant to Sections 4 and 21 hereof, a period of three months, commencing on the first trading day of each calendar quarter of each year and ending on the last trading day of each such calendar quarter, or such other period of time established in advance by the Board. The Board shall conduct each Offering Period in compliance with Section 423 of the Code, and in no event shall an Offering Period exceed 27 months, beginning with the Offering Date. The terms and conditions of each Offering Period need not be identical but each shall include, through incorporation by reference, the provisions of this Plan.
- (s) "Officer" means a person who is an officer of the Company within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- "Parent" means a corporation, domestic or foreign, which holds not less than 50% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company, a successor corporation or another Parent, whether or not such corporation now exists or is hereafter organized or acquires the Company, a successor corporation or a Parent.

- (u) "Plan" means the Loyalty Ventures Inc. 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (v) "Purchase Date" means the last trading day of each Offering Period of the Plan.
- (w) "Purchase Price" means the price at which Shares may be purchased hereunder and shall be an amount equal to 85% of the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the applicable Purchase Date.
- (x) "*Reserves*" has the meaning set forth in Section 20(a).
- (y) "Share" means a share of Common Stock, as adjusted in accordance with Section 20 of the Plan.

- "Subsidiary" means a corporation, domestic or foreign, of which not less than 50% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock are held by the Company, a successor corporation or another Subsidiary, whether or not such corporation now exists or is hereafter organized or acquired by the Company, a successor corporation or a Subsidiary.
- (aa) "Third Party Administrator" has the meaning set forth in Section 14.

3. <u>Eligibility</u>.

- Any person who is an Employee as of the Offering Date of a given Offering Period shall be eligible to participate in such Offering Period under the Plan, subject to the requirements of Section 5(a) and the limitations imposed by Section 423(b) of the Code.
- Any provisions of the Plan to the contrary notwithstanding, no Employee shall be granted an option under the Plan (i) if immediately after the grant, such Employee (together with any other person whose stock would be attributed to such Employee pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code) would own capital stock or hold outstanding options to purchase stock possessing five percent or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of stock of the Company or of any Subsidiary or Parent of the Company, or (ii) if such option would permit his or her rights to purchase stock under all employee stock purchase plans (described in Section 423 of the Code) of the Company and its Subsidiaries to accrue at a rate that exceeds \$25,000 of the Fair Market Value of such stock (determined at the time such option is granted) for each calendar year in which such option is outstanding at any time.
- Offering Periods. The Plan shall be implemented by a series of Offering Periods. The Plan shall continue until terminated in accordance with Section 21 hereof. The Board shall have the power to change the duration or the frequency of Offering Periods with respect to future offerings without stockholder approval if such change is announced at least five days prior to the scheduled beginning of the first Offering Period to be affected, which such first Offering Period need not be undertaken immediately following the Effective Date to provide time for the Company to address administrative details. Notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, the Board may establish additional or alternative concurrent, sequential or overlapping Offering Periods, a different duration for one or more Offering Periods or different commencing or ending dates for such Offering Periods.

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5. **Participation**.

An eligible Employee may become a participant in the Plan by completing a subscription agreement and any other required documents ("*Enrollment Documents*") provided by the Company and submitting them to the Company's Human Resources Department or a stock brokerage or other firm designated by the Company ("*Designated Broker*")

- (a) by 4:00 p.m. New York time on the 15th of the month prior to the applicable Offering Date, unless a different time for submission of the Enrollment Documents is set by the Board. The Enrollment Documents and their submission may be electronic, as directed by the Company. The Enrollment Documents shall set forth the percentage or dollar amount of the participant's Compensation (subject to Section 6(a) below) to be paid as Contributions pursuant to the Plan.
- Payroll deductions shall commence on the first payroll paid after the Offering Date and shall end on the last payroll paid on or prior to the Purchase Date of the Offering Period to which the Enrollment Documents are applicable, unless sooner terminated by the participant pursuant to Section 6(b).

6. **Method of Payment Contributions**.

- (a) A participant shall elect to have payroll deductions made on each payday during the Offering Period in:
 - (i) an amount not less than one percent and not more than 100% of Compensation in whole percentages, or
 - a specified dollar amount in five-dollar increments of such participant's Compensation on each payday during the Offering Period. All payroll deductions made by a participant shall be credited to his or her account under the Plan. A participant may not make any additional payments into such account;

provided that with respect to an election made pursuant to either clause (i) or clause (ii), such election must be administratively feasible.

At any time during an Offering Period, a participant may terminate his or her payroll deductions under the Plan and withdraw from the Offering Period by delivering to the Company a notice of withdrawal in such form as the Company may provide. Such withdrawal may be elected at any time prior to the end of the Offering Period, except as set forth in the Enrollment Documents. Upon such withdrawal from the Offering by a participant, the Company shall distribute to such participant all of his or her accumulated payroll deductions (reduced to the extent, if any, such deductions have been used to acquire shares of Common Stock for the participant) during the Offering Period, without interest (unless otherwise specified in the Enrollment Documents), and such participant's participation in that Offering Period shall be automatically terminated. Withdrawal during an Offering Period shall have no effect upon such Employee's eligibility to participate in any other Offering Periods, but such Employee shall be required to deliver new Enrollment Documents in order to participate in subsequent Offering Periods no later than 4:00 p.m. New York time on the 15th of the month prior to the applicable Offering Date, unless a different time for submission of the Enrollment Documents is set by the Board.

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A participant may elect to increase or decrease the rate or amount of his or her Contributions with respect to the next Offering Period by completing and filing with the Company new Enrollment Documents authorizing a change in the payroll rate. An increase or decrease (other than a discontinuance of Contributions) in the rate or amount of a participant's Contribution shall be effective at the beginning of the next Offering Period. The new Enrollment Documents for increasing or decreasing Contributions (other than a discontinuance) must be completed and received by 4:00 p.m. New York time on the 15th of the month prior to the applicable Offering Date, unless a different time for submission of the Enrollment Documents is set by the Board. If the election is not timely filed, the election will not become effective until the beginning of the Offering Period following the next Offering Period.

- Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent necessary to comply with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code and Section 3(b) (d) herein, an Employee's payroll deductions may be decreased during any Offering Period scheduled to end during the current calendar year to 0%.
- (e) The Board will establish procedures for all elections hereunder.

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Grant of Option. On the Offering Date of each Offering Period, each eligible Employee participating in such Offering Period shall be granted an option to purchase on the applicable Purchase Date a number of Shares of the Company's Common Stock determined by dividing such Employee's Contributions accumulated prior to such Purchase Date and retained in the participant's account as of the Purchase Date by the applicable Purchase Price; subject to any adjustment pursuant to Section 20 below, and provided further that such purchase shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Sections 3(b) and 13 herein.

Exercise of Option. Unless a participant discontinues Contributions or changes elections as provided in Sections 6(b) and 6(c) herein, respectively, his or her option for the purchase of Shares will be exercised automatically on the Purchase Date of each Offering Period and the maximum number of Shares subject to the option will be purchased at the applicable Purchase Price with the accumulated Contributions in his or her account. Fractional Shares may be issued, as appropriate. The Shares purchased upon exercise of an option hereunder shall be deemed to be transferred to the participant on the Purchase Date. During his or her lifetime, a participant's option to purchase Shares hereunder is exercisable only by him or her.

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9. <u>Delivery.</u> As promptly as practicable after each Purchase Date, the Shares purchased by each participant pursuant to the Plan shall be deposited directly into a brokerage account established in the participant's name with the Designated Broker. Any

payroll deductions accumulated in a participant's account that are not applied toward the purchase of Shares on a Purchase Date due to limitations imposed by the Plan shall be returned to the participant as soon as administratively feasible.

- 10. Withdrawal of Shares. A participant may withdraw all or any number of whole Shares credited to his or her account on the applicable Purchase Date by directing the Designated Broker to cause his or her Shares to be either sold with the net proceeds (less applicable commissions and other charges) distributed in cash to the participant or transferred to another brokerage account of the participant.
- 11. Termination of Employment. Upon termination of a participant's status as an Employee prior to the Purchase Date of an Offering Period for any reason, whether voluntary or involuntary, including retirement or death, the Contributions credited to his or her account will be refunded to the Employee or his beneficiary or estate as the case may be, through normal payroll processing as soon as administratively practicable following such termination.
- 12. <u>Interest</u>. No interest shall accrue on the Contributions of a participant in the Plan.

13. <u>Shares Reserved for the Plan.</u>

Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 20, the maximum number of Shares that shall be made available for sale under the Plan shall be 1,000,000. If the Board determines that, on a given Purchase Date, the number of Shares with respect to which options are to be exercised may exceed (i) the number of Shares that were available for sale under the Plan on the Offering Date of the applicable Offering Period, or (ii) the number of Shares available for sale under the Plan on such Purchase Date, the Board shall make a pro rata allocation of the Shares available for purchase on such Offering Date or Purchase Date, as applicable, in as uniform a manner as shall be practicable, and as it shall determine in its sole discretion to be equitable among all participants exercising options to purchase Common Stock on such Purchase Date, and may continue the Plan as then in effect, or terminate the Plan pursuant to Section 21 below. The Board may make a pro rata allocation of the Shares available on the Offering Date of any applicable Offering Period pursuant to the preceding sentence, notwithstanding any authorization of additional Shares for issuance under the Plan by the Company's stockholders subsequent to such Offering Date.

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- (b) A participant shall have no interest or voting rights in Shares covered by his or her option until such option has been exercised.
- Shares to be delivered to a participant under the Plan will be registered in the name of the participant or in the name of the participant and their spouse.

14. **Administration**.

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The Board shall supervise and administer the Plan and shall have full power to delegate the authority to administer the Plan to one or more officers of the Company or a third party administrator (the "*Third Party Administrator*"). The Board may adopt, amend and rescind any rules deemed desirable and appropriate for the Plan and not inconsistent with the Plan to interpret the Plan. The Board, the designated officer(s) or Third Party Administrator, as either may be so instructed by the Board, may make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan. All determinations, interpretations and constructions made by the Board in good faith shall not be subject to review by any person and shall be final, binding and conclusive on all persons. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any designated officer and any Third Party Administrator shall only have those powers and duties with respect to the administration of the Plan as so explicitly granted by the Board and to the extent that such powers and duties are not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan.

The Board shall have the power, in its discretion, to adopt such procedures and sub-plans as the Board deems necessary or appropriate to comply with the laws or regulations, tax policy, accounting principles or custom of foreign jurisdictions applicable to Employees of a Subsidiary, provided that any such sub-plan shall not be within the scope of an "employee stock purchase plan" within the meaning of Section 423 of the Code. Any of the provisions of any such sub-plan may supersede the provisions of this Plan, other than Section 13. Except as superseded by the provisions of

a sub-plan, the provisions of this Plan shall govern such sub-plan. Alternatively and in order to comply with the laws of a foreign jurisdiction, the Board shall have the power, in its discretion, to grant options on the Offering Date of any Offering Period to citizens or residents of a non-U.S. jurisdiction (without regard to whether they are also citizens of the United States or resident aliens) that provide terms that are less favorable than the terms of options granted on the same Offering Date to Employees resident in the United States.

15. **Designation of Beneficiary**.

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The Company may, in its sole discretion, permit a participant to designate a beneficiary who is to receive the Shares and cash, if any, from the participant's account under the Plan in the event of such participant's death subsequent to the end of an Offering Period but prior to delivery to him or her of such Shares and cash. In addition, if so permitted by the Board, a participant may designate a beneficiary who is to receive any Shares from the participant's account under the Plan in the event of such participant's death prior to the Purchase Date of an Offering Period. If a participant is married and the designated beneficiary is not the spouse, spousal consent shall be required for such designation to be effective. If so permitted by the Board, beneficiary designations under this Section 15(a) shall be made as directed by the Company's General Counsel, and may require electronic submission of the required documentation with the Designated Broker.

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Such designation of beneficiary may be changed by the participant and their spouse (if any) at any time by submission of the required notice, which required notice may be electronic. In the event of the death of a participant and in the absence of a beneficiary validly designated under the Plan who is living at the time of such participant's death, the Company shall deliver such Shares or cash to the executor or administrator of the estate of the participant, or if no such executor or administrator has been appointed (to the knowledge of the Company), the Company, in its discretion, may deliver such Shares or cash to the spouse or to any one or more dependents or relatives of the participant, or if no spouse, dependent or relative is known to the Company, then to such other person as the Company may designate.

Transferability. Neither Contributions credited to a participant's account nor any rights with regard to the exercise of an option or to receive Shares under the Plan may be assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of in any way (other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution, or as provided in Section 15) by the participant. Any such attempt at assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition shall be without effect, except that the Company may treat such act as an election to withdraw funds in accordance with Section 6(b). An option shall be exercisable during the lifetime of the participant only by the participant.

- Rights as a Stockholder. A participant shall not be deemed holder of, or have any of the rights of a holder with respect to Shares subject to options under this Plan unless and until the participant's Shares acquired upon exercise of such options are recorded in the books of the Company (or its transfer agent).
- 18. <u>Use of Funds</u>. All Contributions received or held by the Company under the Plan may be used by the Company for any corporate purpose, and the Company shall not be obligated to segregate such Contributions.
- Reports. Individual accounts will be maintained for each participant in the Plan. Statements of accounts will be provided to participating Employees by the Company or the Designated Broker at least annually, which statements will set forth the amounts of Contributions, the per Share Purchase Price, the number of Shares purchased and the remaining cash balance, if any.
- 20. Adjustments upon Changes in Capitalization Corporate Transactions.

Adjustment. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the number of Shares covered by each option under the Plan that has not yet been exercised, the number of Shares that have been authorized for issuance under the Plan but have not yet been placed under option (collectively, the "Reserves"), the maximum number of Shares of Common Stock that may be purchased by a participant in an Offering Period, the number of Shares set forth in Section 13(a), and the price per Share of each option under the Plan that has not yet been exercised, shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued Shares resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock (including any such change in the number of

Shares effected in connection with a change in domicile of the Company), or any other increase or decrease in the number of Shares effected without receipt of consideration by the Company; provided, however, that conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Board, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issue by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of Shares subject to an option.

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Corporate Transaction. In the event of a dissolution or liquidation of the Company, any Offering Period then in progress will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such action, unless otherwise provided by the Board. In the event of a Corporate Transaction, each option outstanding under the Plan shall be assumed or an equivalent option shall be substituted by the successor corporation or a Parent or Subsidiary of such successor corporation. In the event that the successor corporation refuses to assume or substitute for outstanding options, each Offering Period then in progress shall be shortened and a new Purchase Date shall be set (the "New Purchase Date"), as of which date any Offering Period then in progress will terminate. The New Purchase Date shall be on or before the date of consummation of the transaction and the Board shall notify each participant in writing, at least 10 days prior to the New Purchase Date, that the Purchase Date for his or her option has been changed to the New Purchase Date and that his or her option will be exercised automatically on the New Purchase Date, unless prior to such date he or she has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 6(b). For purposes of this Section 20, an option granted under the Plan shall be deemed to be assumed, without limitation, if, at the time of issuance of the stock or other consideration upon a Corporate Transaction, each holder of an option under the Plan would be entitled to receive upon exercise of the option the same number and kind of shares of stock or the same amount of property, cash or securities as such holder would have been entitled to receive upon the occurrence of the transaction if the holder had been, immediately prior to the transaction, the holder of the number of Shares of Common Stock covered by the option at such time (after giving effect to any adjustments in the number of Shares covered by the option as provided for in this Section 20); provided however that if the consideration received in the transaction is not solely common stock of the successor corporation or its Parent, the Board may, with the consent of the successor corporation, provide for the consideration to be received upon exercise of the option to be solely common stock of the successor corporation or its Parent equal in Fair Market Value to the per Share consideration received by holders of Common Stock in the transaction.

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The Board may, if it so determines in the exercise of its sole discretion, also make provision for adjusting the Reserves, as well as the Purchase Price of each outstanding option, in the event that the Company effects one or more reorganizations, recapitalizations, rights, offerings or other increases or reductions of Shares of its outstanding Common Stock, and in the event of the Company's being consolidated with or merged into any other corporation.

21. Amendment or Termination of the Plan.

(b)

(a)

The Board may at any time and for any reason terminate or amend the Plan. Except as provided in Section 20, no such termination of the Plan may affect options previously granted, provided that the Plan or an Offering Period may be terminated by the Board on a Purchase Date or by the Board's setting a new Purchase Date with respect to an Offering Period then in progress if the Board determines that termination of the Plan or the Offering Period is in the best interests of the Company and the stockholders or if continuation of the Plan or the Offering Period would cause the Company to incur adverse accounting charges as a result of a change after the Effective Date in the generally accepted accounting rules applicable to the Plan. Except as provided in Section 20 and in this Section 21, no amendment to the Plan shall make any change in any option previously granted that adversely affects the rights of any participant. In addition, to the extent necessary to comply with Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act or under Section 423 of the Code (or any

successor rule or provision or any applicable law or regulation), the Company shall obtain stockholder approval in such a manner and to such a degree as so required.

Without stockholder consent and without regard to whether any participant rights may be considered to have been adversely affected, the Board shall be entitled to change the Offering Periods, limit the frequency or number of changes in the amount withheld during an Offering Period, establish the exchange ratio applicable to amounts withheld in a currency other than U.S. dollars, permit payroll withholding in excess of the amount designated by a participant in order to adjust for delays or mistakes in the Company's processing of properly completed withholding elections, establish reasonable waiting and adjustment periods or accounting and crediting procedures to ensure that amounts applied toward the purchase of Common Stock for each participant properly correspond with amounts withheld from the participant's Compensation, and establish such other limitations or procedures as the Board determines in its sole discretion advisable that are consistent with the Plan.

Notices. All notices or other communications by a participant to the Company under or in connection with the Plan shall be deemed to have been duly given when received in the form specified by the Company at the location, or by the person, designated by the Company for the receipt thereof.

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Conditions upon Issuance of Shares. Shares shall not be issued with respect to an option unless the exercise of such option and the issuance and delivery of such Shares pursuant thereto shall comply with all applicable provisions of law, domestic or foreign, including, without limitation, the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, applicable state securities laws and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed, and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.

As a condition to the exercise of an option, the Company may require the person exercising such option to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required by any of the aforementioned applicable provisions of law.

Additional Restrictions of Rule 16b-3. The terms and conditions of options granted hereunder to, and the purchase of Shares by, persons subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act shall comply with the applicable provisions of Rule 16b-3. This Plan shall be deemed to contain, and such options shall contain, and the Shares issued upon exercise thereof shall be subject to, such additional conditions and restrictions as may be required by Rule 16b-3 to qualify for the maximum exemption from Section 16 of the Exchange Act with respect to Plan transactions.

25. Miscellaneous.

(b)

Neither this Plan nor the Enrollment Documents constitute an employment contract. Nothing in this Plan or the Enrollment Documents shall in any way alter the existing employment contract or at-will nature of a participant's employment or be deemed to create in any way whatsoever any obligation on part of any participant to continue in the employ of the Company or Designated Subsidiaries, or on part of the Company or Designated Subsidiary to continue the employment of the participant other than as defined outside of this Plan.

- The validity, construction and effect of the Plan, any rules and regulations relating to the Plan and any option granted (b) hereunder shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to principles of conflicts of laws.
- By enrolling in the Plan, each participant acknowledges and agrees that the option such participant has been awarded under the Plan, and any other options the Company may grant in the future, even if such options are made repeatedly or regularly, and regardless of their amount, (i) are wholly discretionary, are not a term or condition of employment and do not form part of a contract of employment, or any other working arrangement, between the participant and the Company or any Designated Subsidiary; (ii) do not create any contractual entitlement to receive future options or to continued employment; and (iii) do not form part of salary or remuneration for purposes of determining pension payments or any other purposes, including, without limitation, termination indemnities, severance, resignation, redundancy,

(d) The Company may require the participant to give the Company prompt notice of any disposition of Shares acquired under the Plan, which requirement the Company may, but is not required to, limit to dispositions of Shares before the later of (i) the second anniversary of the Offering Date and (ii) the first anniversary of the Purchase Date, in each case with respect to such Shares.

Section 409A of the Code. This Plan is intended to be exempt from the application of Section 409A of the Code and any ambiguities hereunder will be interpreted to so be exempt from Code Section 409A. In furtherance of the foregoing and notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, if the Board determines than an option granted under the Plan at any time may be subject to Code Section 409A or that any provision of the Plan would cause an option under the Plan to be subject to Code Section 409A, the Board shall have the authority to amend the Plan or any outstanding option granted under the Plan, or take such other action as the Board determines is necessary or appropriate, in each case, without the participant's consent, to exempt any outstanding option or future option that may be granted under the Plan from or to allow any such option to comply with Code Section 409A. To the extent that options exercised under the Plan become subject to Code Section 409A and such options granted under the Plan subject any participant to gross income inclusion, interest or additional tax pursuant to, or would be prohibited by, Code Section 409A, those terms are to that extent superseded by the applicable requirements of Code Section 409A and the guidance issued thereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company and the Board shall have no liability to a participant or any other party if an option to purchase Shares under the Plan that is intended to be exempt or compliant with Code Section 409A.

27. **Data Privacy**.

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In order to facilitate the administration of the Plan, it will be necessary for the Company (or its payroll administrators) or the Third Party Administrator or Designated Broker to collect, hold, and process certain personal information about Employees participating in the Plan (including, without limitation, name, home address, telephone number, date of birth, nationality and job detail and details of the participating Employee's option grant). By participating in the Plan, participating Employees consent to the Company (or its payroll administrators) or the Third Party Administrator

- (a) Plan, participating Employees consent to the Company (or its payroll administrators) or the Third Party Administrator or Designated Broker collecting, holding and processing personal data and transferring such data to third parties (collectively, the "*Data Recipients*") insofar as is reasonably necessary to implement, administer and manage the Employee's participation in the Plan and acknowledge that it may also be necessary to disclose information in order to comply with any legal obligations.
- The Data Recipients will treat the participating Employees' personal data as private and confidential and will not disclose such data for purposes other than the management and administration of the Employees' participation in the Plan and will take reasonable measures to keep such personal data private, confidential, accurate and current.
- As the Company operates globally, it needs to share personal data with other related companies which are based abroad. Where the transfer is to a destination outside the Employee's country of domicile, or if applicable, the European Economic Area, the Company shall take reasonable steps to ensure that such personal data continues to be adequately protected and securely held. Nonetheless, by participating in the Plan, each participating Employee acknowledges that personal information about such Employee may be transferred to a country that does not offer the same level of data protection as the Employee's country of domicile, or if applicable, the European Economic Area.
- Participating Employees may, at any time, view their personal data, require any necessary corrections to it or withdraw the consents referenced in this Section 27 in writing by contacting the Company's General Counsel at generalcounsel@loyalty.com.