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The Committee on Financial Services in the United States House of Representatives ("Committee") has made diversity and inclusion a core pillar of its efforts to ensure that the U.S. financial services system works for everyone. In February 2020, the Committee released its first report, detailing the findings of its investigation into diversity at America's 44 largest banks. In December 2021, we released a second report on diversity and inclusion at America's 31 largest Investment Firms. Both reports concluded that there is still much work to be done to increase diversity and inclusion within these industries.

Pursuant to its legislative and oversight authority under House Rule X (2), 117th Congress, and Rule 5 (E) of the Committee, 117th Congress, the Committee is gathering data regarding diversity and inclusion in the digital assets industry. There is a concerning lack of publicly available data to effectively evaluate the diversity among America's largest digital assets companies, and the investment companies with significant investments in these companies. We believe transparency is a critical, first step to achieving racial and gender equity. That is why your participation in this snapshot is imperative in our efforts to understand how and whether the industry is working toward a more equitable environment for everyone. We request that your company complete the attached questionnaire regarding your company's diversity and inclusion data and policies from the calendar year of 2021.

Thank you in advance for your full attention to completing this request. All survey responses must be received by September 2, 2022. You may contact Director of Diversity and Inclusion, at with any questions regarding this request. Once data is received, Committee staff will confirm that the survey has been completed by your company in its entirety. If data is incomplete, missing, or unclear, staff will reach back out to your company to provide the opportunity to update your submission.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Maxine Waters

Chairwoman, Committee on Financial Services

The Honorable Joyce Beatty

Chair, Subcommittee on Diversity &

Inclusion

¹ House Committee on Financial Services Committee Staff, <u>Diversity and Inclusion: Holding America's Large Banks Accountable</u> (Feb. 2020).

² House Committee on Financial Services Committee Staff, <u>Diversity and Inclusion: Holding America's Largest Investment Firms Accountable</u> (Dec. 2021).

The Honorable Al Green

The Honorable Al Green Chairman, Subcommittee on Oversight & Investigations The Honorable Bill Foster Chairman,
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Enclosure: Diversity Data Collection Survey