# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, DC 20549** 

# FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

December 13, 2022

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

# **ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-26489 48-1090909

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

350 Camino de la Reina, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92108

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(877) 445-4581

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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# Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On December 13, 2022, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Encore Capital Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), acting upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board, approved and adopted amended and restated bylaws (the "Amended and Restated Bylaws"), which became effective the same day. Among other things, the amendments effected by the Amended and Restated Bylaws:

- address the universal proxy rules adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, by clarifying that no person may solicit proxies in support of a director nominee other than the Board's nominees unless such person has complied with Rule 14a-19 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including applicable notice and solicitation requirements;
- enhance procedural mechanics and disclosure requirements in connection with stockholder nominations of directors and
  submissions of proposals regarding other business at stockholder meetings, including requiring additional background information
  and disclosures regarding proposing stockholders, proposed nominees and business, and other persons related to a stockholder's
  solicitation of proxies, such as additional information about the ownership of securities and material litigation, relationships and
  interests in material agreements with or involving the Company;
- provide additional notice and disclosure requirements regarding special meetings and action by written consent, including, without limitation, that stockholders may make a demand to call a special meeting or act by written consent only after first submitting a request that the Board fix a record date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to, as appropriate, demand that the Secretary of the Company call a special meeting or to take such action by written consent; and
- provide that, unless the Company consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if Court of Chancery does not have jurisdiction, a federal district court for the District of Delaware or other state courts of the State of Delaware) shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for certain actions, and further provides that the U.S. federal district courts shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause or causes of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, including all causes of action asserted against any defendant to such complaint;

The Amended and Restated Bylaws also include certain technical, modernizing and clarifying changes, including related to the use of proxy cards by stockholders.

The foregoing description of the Amended and Restated Bylaws does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amended and Restated Bylaws attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 (clean version) and Exhibit 3.2 (marked version), which are incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Description

**Exhibit Number** 

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104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

# SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities	Exchange Act of 1934,	, the registrant has duly ca	iused this report to b	e signed on its
behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.				

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

Date: December 15, 2022 /s/ Andrew Asch

Andrew Asch

Senior Vice President, General Counsel

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# AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC. As amended through December 13, 2022

# I. REFERENCES TO CERTAIN TERMS AND CONSTRUCTION

- 1.01. Certain References. Any reference herein made to law will be deemed to refer to the law of the State of Delaware, including any applicable provision of Chapter 1 of Title 8 of the Delaware Code, or any successor statutes, as from time to time amended and in effect (sometimes referred to herein as the "Delaware General Corporation Law"). Any reference herein made to the corporation's Certificate will be deemed to refer to its Certificate of Incorporation (the "Certificate") and all amendments thereto as at any given time on file with the Delaware Secretary of State (any reference herein to that office being intended to include any successor to the incorporating and related functions being performed by that office at the date of the initial adoption of these Bylaws). Except as otherwise required by law, the term "stockholder" as used herein shall mean one who is a holder of record of shares of the corporation.
- 1.02. Seniority. The law and the Certificate (in that order of precedence) will in all respects be considered senior and superior to these Bylaws, with any inconsistency to be resolved in favor of the law and such Certificate (in that order of precedence), and with these Bylaws to be deemed automatically amended from time to time to eliminate any such inconsistency which may then exist.
- 1.03. Computation of Time. The time during which an act is required to be done, including the time for the giving of any required notice herein, shall be computed by excluding the first day or hour, as the case may be, and including the last day or hour.

#### II. OFFICES

2.01. Principal Office. The principal office or place of business of the corporation in the State of Delaware shall be the registered office of the corporation in the State of Delaware. The corporation may change its registered office from time to time in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law. The corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors may designate or as the business of the corporation may require from time to time.

#### III. STOCKHOLDERS

- 3.01. Annual Stockholder Meeting. The annual meeting of stockholders shall be held on such date and at such time as shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors and stated in the notice of the meeting, at which meetings the stockholders shall elect by a plurality vote members of the Board of Directors and transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board of Directors may, in its sole discretion, determine that the meeting shall not be held at any place, but may instead be held by means of remote communication as provided under the Delaware General Corporation Law. The Board of Directors may postpone, reschedule or cancel any previously scheduled annual meeting of stockholders.
- 3.02. Special Stockholder Meetings.
- (a) Unless otherwise prescribed by law or by the Certificate, special meetings of stockholders, for any purpose or purposes, (i) may be called by the Chairman of the Board (or in his or her absence, the Vice Chairman) or the Chief Executive Officer, and (ii) shall be called by the Chief Executive Officer or the Secretary upon a written request (x) signed by at least three members of the Board of Directors, or (y) of the holders of at least a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote thereat. Any such written request by stockholders shall state the purpose or purposes of the proposed meeting, and business to be transacted at any such meeting shall be confined to the purposes stated in the notice thereof and to such additional matters as the chairman of the meeting may rule to be germane to such purposes. Except in accordance with this Section 3.02, stockholders shall not be permitted to propose business to be brought before a special meeting of the stockholders. Stockholders who nominate persons for election to the board of directors at a special meeting must also comply with the requirements set forth in Section 3.14 and Section 3.16. The Board of Directors may postpone, reschedule or cancel any previously scheduled special meeting of stockholders.
- (b) No stockholder may demand that the Secretary of the corporation call a special meeting of the stockholders pursuant to Section 3.02(a) unless a stockholder of record has first submitted a request in writing that the Board of Directors fix a record date (a "Demand Record Date") for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to demand that the Secretary of the corporation call such special meeting, which request shall be in proper form and delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary of the corporation at the principal executive offices of the corporation.
- (c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.02, a request by a stockholder for the Board of Directors to fix a Demand Record Date shall set forth: (i) as to each Requesting Person (as defined below), the Stockholder Information (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.02 the term "Requesting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15); (ii) as to each Requesting Person, any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.02 the term "Requesting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15 and the disclosure with respect to the business to be brought before the meeting in Section 3.15 shall be made with respect to the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting or the proposed election of directors at the special meeting, as the case may be); (iii) as to the purpose or purposes of the special meeting, (A) a

reasonably brief description of the purpose or purposes of the special meeting and the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the special meeting and any material interest in such business of each Requesting Person, and (B) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (x) between or among any of the Requesting Persons or (y) between or among any Requesting Person and any other record or beneficial holder of the shares of any class or series of the corporation (including their names) in connection with the request for the special meeting or the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting; and (iv) if directors are proposed to be elected at the special meeting, the Nominee Information for each person whom a Requesting Person expects to nominate for election as a director at the special meeting. For purposes of this Section 3.02, the term "Requesting Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder making the request to fix a Demand Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to demand that the Secretary call a special meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf such request is made, and (iii) any affiliate of such stockholder or beneficial owner.

- (d) Within ten (10) days after receipt of a request to fix a Demand Record Date in proper form and otherwise in compliance with this Section 3.02 from any stockholder of record, the Board of Directors may adopt a resolution fixing a Demand Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to demand that the Secretary of the corporation call a special meeting, which date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the Demand Record Date is adopted by the Board of Directors. If no resolution fixing a Demand Record Date has been adopted by the Board of Directors within the ten (10) day period after the date on which such a request to fix a Demand Record Date was received, the Demand Record Date in respect thereof shall be deemed to be the twentieth (20th) day after the date on which such a request is received. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 3.02 to the contrary, no Demand Record Date shall be fixed if the Board of Directors determines that the demand or demands that would otherwise be submitted following such Demand Record Date could not comply with the requirements set forth in clauses (ii), (iv), (v) or (vi) of Section 3.02(f) below.
- (e) Without qualification, a special meeting of the stockholders shall not be called pursuant to Section 3.02(a)(ii)(y) unless stockholders of record as of the Demand Record Date who hold, in the aggregate, at least a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the corporation that would be entitled to vote at such special meeting (the "Requisite Percentage") timely provide one or more demands to call such special meeting in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the corporation at the principal executive offices of the corporation. Only stockholders of record on the Demand Record Date shall be entitled to demand that the Secretary of the corporation call a special meeting of the stockholders pursuant to Section 3.02(a)(ii)(y). To be timely, a stockholder's demand to call a special meeting must be delivered to, or mailed and received at, the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than the sixtieth (60th) day following the Demand Record Date. To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.02, a demand to call a special meeting shall set forth (i) the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting or the proposed election of directors at the special meeting, as the case may be, (ii) the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration), if applicable, and (iii) with respect to any stockholder or stockholders submitting a demand to call a special meeting (except for any stockholder that has provided such demand in response to a solicitation made pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (as so amended and inclusive of the rules and regulations thereunder, the "Exchange Act") by way of a solicitation statement filed on Schedule 14A (a "Solicited Stockholder")) the information required to be provided pursuant to this Section 3.02 of a Requesting Person. A stockholder may revoke a demand to call a special meeting by written revocation delivered to
- (f) The Secretary shall not accept, and shall consider ineffective, a written demand from a stockholder to call a special meeting (i) that does not comply with this Section 3.02, (ii) that relates to an item of business to be transacted at such meeting that is not a proper subject for stockholder action under applicable law, (iii) that includes an item of business to be transacted at such meeting that did not appear on the written request that resulted in the determination of the Demand Record Date, (iv) that relates to an item of business (other than the election of directors) that is identical or substantially similar to an item of business (a "Similar Item") for which a record date for notice of a stockholder meeting (other than the Demand Record Date) was previously fixed and such demand is delivered between the time beginning on the sixty-first (61st) day after such previous record date and ending on the one-year anniversary of such previous record date, (v) if a Similar Item will be submitted for stockholder approval at any stockholder meeting to be held on or before the ninetieth (90th) day after the Secretary receives such demand, or (vi) if a Similar Item has been presented at the most recent annual meeting or at any special meeting held within one year prior to receipt by the Secretary of such demand to call a special meeting.
- (g) After receipt of demands in proper form and in accordance with this Section 3.02 from a stockholder or stockholders holding the Requisite Percentage, the Board of Directors shall duly call, and determine the place, date and time of, a special meeting of stockholders for the purpose or purposes and to conduct the business specified in the demands received by the corporation. Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, the Board of Directors may submit its own proposal or proposals for consideration at such a special meeting. The record date for notice and voting for such a special meeting shall be fixed in accordance with Section 3.04 of these Bylaws. The Board of Directors shall provide written notice of such special meeting to the stockholders in accordance with Section 3.03.
- (h) In connection with a special meeting called in accordance with this Section 3.02, the stockholder or stockholders (except for any Solicited Stockholder) who requested that the Board of Directors fix a record date for notice and voting for the special meeting in accordance with this Section 3.02 or who delivered a demand to call a special meeting to the Secretary shall further update and supplement the information previously provided to the corporation

in connection with such request or demand, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such request or demand pursuant to this Section 3.02 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the special meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the special meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the special meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the special meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any request or demand provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted a request or demand hereunder to amend or update any such request or demand, including by changing or adding nominees, matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.

(i) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, the Secretary shall not be required to call a special meeting pursuant to this Section 3.02 except in accordance with this Section 3.02. If the Board of Directors shall determine that any request to fix a record date for notice and voting for the special meeting or demand to call and hold a special meeting was not properly made in accordance with this Section 3.02, or shall determine that the stockholder or stockholders requesting that the Board of Directors fix such record date or submitting a demand to call the special meeting have not otherwise complied with this Section 3.02, then the Board of Directors shall not be required to fix such record date or to call and hold the special meeting. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.02, each Requesting Person shall comply with all requirements of applicable law, including all requirements of the Exchange Act, with respect to any request to fix a record date for notice and voting for the special meeting or demand to call a special meeting.

# 3.03. Notice of Stockholders Meetings.

- (a) Required Notice. Except as otherwise allowed or required by law, written notice stating the place, day and hour of any annual or special stockholders meeting, and the means of remote communications, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such meeting, shall be given not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting and to any other stockholder entitled to receive notice of the meeting by law or the Certificate. Such notice may be given either personally or by sending a copy thereof through the mail, by telegraph, by private delivery service (including overnight courier), or by facsimile transmission, charges prepaid, to each stockholder at his/her address as it appears on the records of the corporation. If the notice is sent by mail, by telegraph or by private delivery service, it shall be deemed to have been given to the person entitled thereto when deposited in the United States mail or with a telegraph office or private delivery service for transmission to such person. If the notice is sent by facsimile transmission, it shall be deemed to have been given upon transmission, if transmission occurs on a business day before 5:00 p.m. at the place of receipt, and upon the business day following transmission, if transmission occurs after 5:00 p.m.
- (b) Adjourned Meeting. If any stockholders meeting is adjourned to a different date, time, or place, notice need not be given of the new date, time, and place, if the new date, time, and place are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken or are provided in any other manner permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. But if the adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days, or if after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, then notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to such notice pursuant to Section 3.03(a) above.
- (c) Waiver of Notice. Any stockholder may waive notice of a meeting (or any notice of any other action required to be given by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the corporation's Certificate, or these Bylaws), at any time before, during, or after the meeting or other action, by a writing signed by the stockholder entitled to the notice. Each such waiver shall be delivered to the corporation for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the corporate records. Attendance of a stockholder at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting, except when the stockholder attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.
- (d) Contents of Notice. The notice of each special stockholders meeting shall include a description of the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called. Except as required by law or the corporation's Certificate, the notice of an annual stockholders meeting need not include a description of the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called.
- 3.04. Fixing of Record Date. For the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, or in order to make a determination of stockholders for any other proper purpose, the Board of Directors may fix a date as the record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors. In the case of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, such record date shall, unless otherwise required by law, not be more than sixty (60) days nor less than ten (10) days prior to the date of such meeting. In the case of determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, the record date shall not be more than ten (10) days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors. In the case of determining stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purpose of any

other lawful action, the record date shall be not more than sixty (60) days prior to such action. If no record date is so fixed by the Board of Directors, the record date for the determination of stockholders shall be as provided in the Delaware General Corporation Law.

When a determination of stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders has been made as provided in this Section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof, unless the Board of Directors fixes a new record date.

- 3.05. Stockholder List. The officer who has charge of the stock ledger of the corporation shall make, no later than the tenth day before every meeting of stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address and the number of shares held by each. The stockholder list shall be available for inspection by any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of ten (10) days ending on the day before the meeting date at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the meeting notice, or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. Except as otherwise provided by law, failure to comply with this section shall not affect the validity of any action taken at the meeting.
- 3.06. Stockholder Quorum and Voting Requirements. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate or these Bylaws or required by law,
- (a) a majority of the shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of stockholders;
- (b) in all matters other than the election of directors, the affirmative vote of the majority of shares voting for or against the subject matter shall be the act of the stockholders, unless a different or minimum vote is required by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Certificate, the Bylaws or the rules and regulations of any stock exchange applicable to the corporation or applicable law or pursuant to any rule or regulation applicable to the corporation or its securities, in which case such different or minimum vote shall be the applicable vote on the matter;
- (c) directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at the meeting; and
- (d) where a separate vote by a class or classes is required, a majority of the outstanding shares of such class or classes, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum entitled to take action with respect to that vote on that matter and the affirmative vote of the majority of shares of such class or classes present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting shall be the act of such class.

Except as provided below, voting will be by ballot on any question as to which a ballot vote is demanded prior to the time the voting begins by any person entitled to vote on such question; otherwise, a voice vote will suffice. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate, all elections of directors will be by written ballot. No ballot or change of vote will be accepted after the polls have been declared closed following the ending of the announced time for voting.

- 3.07. Proxies. At all meetings of stockholders, a stockholder may vote in person or by proxy duly executed in writing by the stockholder or the stockholder's duly authorized attorney-in-fact, or by a transmission permitted by law, including Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act. Such proxy shall comply with law and shall be filed with the Secretary of the corporation or other person authorized to tabulate votes before or at the time of the meeting. No proxy shall be valid after three (3) years from the date of its execution unless otherwise provided in the proxy. The burden of proving the validity of any undated, irrevocable, or otherwise contested proxy at a meeting of the stockholders will rest with the person seeking to exercise the same. A facsimile appearing to have been transmitted by a stockholder or by such stockholder's duly authorized attorney-in-fact may be accepted as a sufficiently written and executed proxy. Any stockholder directly or indirectly soliciting proxies from other stockholders must use a proxy card color other than white, which shall be reserved for the exclusive use by the Board of Directors.
- 3.08. Voting of Shares. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate or the Delaware General Corporation Law, each outstanding share entitled to vote shall be entitled to one (1) vote upon each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of stockholders.
- 3.09. Election Inspectors. The Board of Directors, in advance of any meeting of the stockholders, may appoint an election inspector or inspectors to act at such meeting (and at any adjournment thereof). If an election inspector or inspectors are not so appointed, the chairman of the meeting may, or upon request of any person entitled to vote at the meeting will, make such appointment. If any person appointed as an inspector fails to appear or to act, a substitute may be appointed by the chairman of the meeting. If appointed, the election inspector or inspectors (acting through a majority of them if there be more than one) will determine the number of shares outstanding, the authenticity, validity, and effect of proxies, the credentials of persons purporting to be stockholders or persons named or referred to in proxies, and the number of shares represented at the meeting in person and by proxy; will receive and count votes, ballots, and consents and announce the results thereof; will hear and determine all challenges and questions pertaining to proxies and voting; and, in general, will perform such acts as may be proper to conduct elections and voting with complete fairness to all stockholders. No such election inspector need be a stockholder of the corporation.
- 3.10. Organization and Conduct of Meetings. Each meeting of the stockholders will be called to order and thereafter chaired by the Chairman of the Board of Directors if there is one, or, if not, or if the Chairman of the Board is absent or so requests, then by the Vice Chairman or the Chief Executive Officer, or if both the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer are unavailable, then by such other officer of the corporation or such stockholder as may be appointed by the Board of Directors. The corporation's Secretary or in his or her absence, an Assistant Secretary will act as secretary of each meeting of the stockholders. If neither the Secretary nor

an Assistant Secretary is in attendance, the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person (whether a stockholder or not) to act as secretary for the meeting. After calling a meeting to order, the chairman thereof may require the registration of all stockholders intending to vote in person and the filing of all proxies with the election inspector or inspectors, if one or more have been appointed (or, if not, with the secretary of the meeting). After the announced time for such filing of proxies has ended, no further proxies or changes, substitutions, or revocations of proxies will be accepted. If directors are to be elected, a tabulation of the proxies so filed will, if any person entitled to vote in such election so requests, be announced at the meeting (or adjournment thereof) prior to the closing of the election polls. Absent a showing of bad faith on his or her part, the chairman of a meeting will, among other things, have absolute authority to fix the period of time allowed for the registration of stockholders and the filing of proxies, to determine the order of business to be conducted at such meeting, and to establish reasonable rules for expediting the business of the meeting and preserving the orderly conduct thereof (including any informal, or question and answer portions thereof). Except to the extent inconsistent with such rules and regulations as adopted by the Board of Directors, the person presiding over any meeting of stockholders shall have the right and authority to convene and (for any or no reason) to recess and/or adjourn the meeting, to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures (which need not be in writing) and to do all such acts as, in the judgment of such presiding person, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting.

- 3.11. Stockholder Approval or Ratification. The Board of Directors may submit any contract or act for approval or ratification of the stockholders at a duly constituted meeting of the stockholders. Except as otherwise required by law, if any contract or act so submitted is approved or ratified by a majority of the votes cast thereon at such meeting, the same will be valid and as binding upon the corporation and all of its stockholders as it would be if it were the act of its stockholders.
- 3.12. Informalities and Irregularities. All informalities or irregularities in any call or notice of a meeting of the stockholders or in the areas of credentials, proxies, quorums, voting, and similar matters, will be deemed waived if no objection is made at the meeting.
- 3.13. Stockholder Action by Written Consent.
- (a) Any action required or permitted to be taken at an annual or special meeting of the stockholders may be taken without a meeting, if one (1) or more consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken, (i) shall be signed by the holders of record on the record date established pursuant to Section 3.13(b) below (the "Written Consent Record Date") of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted and (ii) shall be delivered to the corporation at its registered office in the State of Delaware, at its principal place of business or to an officer or agent of the corporation having custody of the minute books in which proceedings of meetings of stockholders are recorded. Delivery shall be made by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. Each consent shall bear the date of signature of each stockholder who signs the consent and no written consent shall be effective to take corporate action unless, within sixty (60) days of the earliest dated valid consent delivered in the manner described in this Section 3.13, written consents signed by a sufficient number of holders to take such action are delivered to the corporation in the manner described in this Section 3.13. Only stockholders of record on the Written Consent Record Date shall be entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting. Prompt notice of the taking of corporate action without a meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those stockholders who have not consented to the action.
- (b) Without qualification, any stockholder of record seeking to have the stockholders authorize or take any action by written consent shall first request in writing that the Board of Directors fix a Written Consent Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to take such action, which request shall be in proper form and delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary of the corporation at the principal executive offices of the corporation. Within ten (10) days after receipt of a request in proper form and otherwise in compliance with this Section 3.13(b) from any such stockholder, the Board of Directors may adopt a resolution fixing a Written Consent Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to take such action, which date shall not be more than ten (10) days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors. If no resolution fixing a record date has been adopted by the Board of Directors within such ten (10) day period after the date on which such a request is received, (i) the Written Consent Record Date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to such action, when no prior action of the Board of Directors is required by applicable law, shall be the first date on which valid signed written consents constituting of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of the corporation and setting forth the action taken or proposed to be taken is delivered to the corporation in the manner described in this Section 3.13, and (ii) the Written Consent Record Date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to such action, when prior action by the Board of Directors is required by applicable law, shall be at the close of business on the date on which the Board of Directors adopts the resolution taking such prior action.
- (c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.13, a request by a stockholder for the Board of Directors to fix a Written Consent Record Date shall set forth: (i) as to each Soliciting Person (as defined below), the Stockholder Information (as defined in Section 3.15), except that for purposes of this Section 3.13 the term "Soliciting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15; (ii) as to each Soliciting Person, any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.13 the term "Soliciting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15 and the disclosure in Section 3.15, as applicable, shall be made with respect to the action or actions proposed to be taken by written consent); (iii) as to the action or actions proposed to be taken by written consent, (A) a reasonably brief description of the action or actions, the reasons for taking such action or actions and any material interest in such action or actions of each Soliciting Person, (B) the text of the resolutions or consent proposed to be acted upon by written consent of the stockholders, and (C) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (x) between or among any of the Soliciting Persons and (y) between

or among any Soliciting Person and any other record or beneficial owner of capital stock of the corporation (including their names) in connection with the request or such action or actions; and (iv) If directors are proposed to be elected by written consent, the Nominee Information for each person whom a Requesting Person proposes to elect as a director by written consent.

For purposes of this Section 3.13, the term "Soliciting Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder making a request for the Board of Directors to fix a record date and proposing the action or actions to be taken by written consent, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf such request is made, and (iii) any affiliate of such stockholder or beneficial owner.

- (d) In connection with an action or actions proposed to be taken by written consent in accordance with this Section 3.13, the stockholder or stockholders seeking such action or actions shall further update and supplement the information previously provided to the corporation in connection therewith, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided pursuant to this Section 3.13 shall be true and correct as of the record date for determining the stockholders eligible to take such action and as of the date that is five (5) business days prior to the date the consent solicitation is commenced, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for determining the stockholders eligible to take such action (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of the record date), and not later than three (3) business days prior to the date that the consent solicitation is commenced (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of five (5) business days prior to the commencement of the consent solicitation). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any written consent provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted a written consent hereunder to amend or update any proposal, including by changing or adding nominees, matters, business or proposed resolutions.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, no action may be taken by the stockholders by written consent except in accordance with this Section 3.13. If the Board of Directors shall determine that any request to fix a Written Consent Record Date or to take stockholder action by written consent was not properly made in accordance with this Section 3.13, or the stockholder or stockholders seeking to take such action do not otherwise comply with this Section 3.13, then the Board of Directors shall not be required to fix a Written Consent Record Date and any such purported action by written consent shall be null and void to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.13 with respect to stockholders seeking to take an action by written consent, each Soliciting Person shall comply with all requirements of applicable law, including all requirements of the Exchange Act, with respect to such action.
- 3.14. Nomination of Directors. Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures shall be eligible for election as directors of the corporation. Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors may be made at any annual meeting of stockholders (a) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof or persons authorized to do so by the Board of Directors or these Bylaws) or (b) by any stockholder of the corporation present in person (i) who is a stockholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 3.14, on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (ii) who complies with the notice and nomination procedures set forth in this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16. For purposes of this Section 3.14, "present in person" shall mean that the stockholder nominating any person for election to the Board of Directors at the meeting of the corporation, or a qualified representative of such stockholder, appear at such meeting. A "qualified representative" of such proposing stockholder shall be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such stockholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders. The foregoing clause (b) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the Board of Directors at an annual meeting or special meeting.

In addition to any other applicable requirements, for a nomination to be made by a stockholder, such stockholder must have given Timely Notice (as defined below) thereof in proper written form to the Secretary of the corporation, as prescribed below, provide the information, agreements and questionnaires with respect to such stockholder and its candidate for nomination as required to be set forth by this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16 and provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16.

No person shall be elected to the Board of Directors of this corporation at an annual meeting of the stockholders, or at a special meeting called for that purpose, unless, with respect to a person nominated by a stockholder of the corporation, a timely written notice of nomination of such person by the stockholder shall have been delivered, or mailed and received, by the Secretary of the corporation not earlier than one hundred and twenty (120) days and not later than ninety (90) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting if an annual meeting, or, in the case of a special meeting, not earlier than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to such special meeting and not later than ninety (90) days prior to such special meeting or, if later, seven (7) days after the day on which public disclosure (as defined below) of the date of such special meeting was first made; provided, however, that if the date of any annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered, or mailed and received, not more than one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to such annual meeting and not later than (i) ninety (90) days prior to such annual meeting or, (ii) if later, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public disclosure of the date of such annual meeting was first made by the corporation (such notice within such time periods, "Timely Notice"). The stockholder must also provide the information with respect to such stockholder and its candidate for nomination as

required by this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16 and provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 3.14. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or special meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

In no event may a Nominating Person provide Timely Notice with respect to a greater number of director candidates than are subject to election by stockholders at the applicable meeting. If the corporation shall, subsequent to such notice, increase the number of directors subject to election at the meeting, such notice as to any additional nominees shall be due on the later of (i) the conclusion of the time period for Timely Notice, (ii) the date set forth in this Section 3.14 or (iii) the tenth day following the date of public disclosure of such increase.

To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.14, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth as to each Nominating Person (as defined below), (i) the Stockholder Information (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.14 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15, (ii) any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.14 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15 and the disclosure with respect to the business to be brought before the meeting in Section 3.15 shall be made with respect to the election of directors at the meeting); and provided that, in lieu of including the information set forth in Section 3.15, the Nominating Person's notice for purposes of this Section 3.14 shall include a representation as to whether the Nominating Person intends or is part of a group which intends to (x) deliver a proxy statement and/or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the corporation's outstanding capital stock required to elect any nominee and (y) solicit the holders of shares representing at least 67% of the voting power of shares entitled to vote on the election of directors in support of director nominees other than the corporation's nominees in accordance with Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.14, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth as to each candidate whom a Nominating Person proposes to nominate for election as a director, (i) all information with respect to such candidate for nomination that would be required to be set forth in a stockholder's notice pursuant to this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16 if such candidate for nomination were a Nominating Person, (ii) all information relating to such candidate for nomination that is required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14(a) under the Exchange Act (including such candidate's written consent to being named in a proxy statement and accompanying proxy card relating to the corporation's next meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected and to serving as a director for a full term if elected), (iii) a description of any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement between or among any Nominating Person, on the one hand, and each candidate for nomination or his or her respective associates or any other participants in such solicitation, on the other hand, including, without limitation, all information that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 under Regulation S-K if such Nominating Person were the "registrant" for purposes of such rule and the candidate for nomination were a director or executive officer of such registrant (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (i) through (iii) are referred to as "Nominee Information"), and (iv) a completed and signed questionnaire, representation and agreement as provided in Section 3.16.

For purposes of this Section 3.14, the term "Nominating Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder providing the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting is made, and (iii) any other participant in such solicitation.

No person shall be eligible for election as a director of the corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 3.14. If the chairman of the meeting determines that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the chairman shall declare to the meeting that the nomination was defective and such defective nomination shall be disregarded.

A stockholder providing notice of any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting shall further update and supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Section 3.14 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any nomination or to submit any new nomination. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.14 with respect to any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting, each stockholder providing notice as to nominations pursuant to this Section 3.14 shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such nominations. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 3.14, unless otherwise required by law, (i) no such stockholder shall solicit proxies in support of director nominees other than the corporation's nominees unless such stockholder has complied with Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act in connection with the solicitation of such proxies, including the provision to the corporation of notices required thereunder in a timely manner and (ii) if any such stockholder (1) provides notice pursuant to Rule

14a-19(b) promulgated under the Exchange Act and (2) subsequently fails to comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(2) and Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act, including the provision to the corporation of notices required thereunder in a timely manner, or fails to timely provide reasonable evidence sufficient to satisfy the corporation that such stockholder has met the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act in accordance with the following sentence, then the corporation shall disregard any proxies or votes solicited for such stockholder's candidates. If any such stockholder provides notice pursuant to Rule 14a-19(b) promulgated under the Exchange Act, such stockholder shall deliver to the corporation, no later than seven (7) business days prior to the applicable meeting, reasonable evidence that it has met the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act.

Notwithstanding compliance with the foregoing provisions, unless otherwise required by Rule 14a-19, the Board of Directors shall not be obligated to include information as to any stockholder nominee for director in any proxy statement or other communication sent to stockholders.

# 3.15. Business at Annual Meetings.

- (a) No business may be transacted at an annual meeting of stockholders, other than business that is either (i) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof), (ii) if not specified in a notice of meeting, otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (iii) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by any stockholder of the corporation present in person (A) (1) who is a stockholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 3.15, and on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (2) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 3.15 or (B) properly made such proposal in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act. The foregoing clause (iii) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to propose business to be brought before an annual meeting of the stockholders. For purposes of this Section 3.15, "present in person" shall mean that the stockholder proposing that the business be brought before the annual meeting of the corporation, or a qualified representative of such proposing stockholder proposing stockholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders. Stockholders seeking to nominate persons for election to the Board of Directors must comply with Section 3.14 and Section 3.16 and this Section 3.15 shall not be applicable to nominations except as expressly provided in Section 3.14 and Section 3.16.
- (b) Without qualification, for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder, the stockholder must provide Timely Notice, in writing and in proper form, and any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 3.15, to the Secretary of the corporation, which must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation not earlier than one hundred and twenty (120) days and not later than ninety (90) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or such public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs. For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any proposal or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving the appropriate notice as described above.
- (c) To be in proper written form, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth:
- (i) As to each matter such stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting, as to each Proposing Person (A) the name and record address of such Proposing Person (as defined below) (including, if applicable, the name and address that appear on the corporation's books and records) (B) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the corporation that are owned beneficially or of record by such Proposing Person (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), except that such Proposing Person shall in all events be deemed to beneficially own any shares of any class or series of the corporation as to which such Proposing Person has a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) and (B) are referred to as "Stockholder Information"); and (C) a representation that such Proposing Person intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to bring such business before the meeting;
- (ii) As to each Proposing Person, (A) the full notional amount of any securities that, directly or indirectly, underlie any "derivative security" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(c) under the Exchange Act) that constitutes a "call equivalent position" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(b) under the Exchange Act) ("Synthetic Equity Position") and that is, directly or indirectly, held or maintained by such Proposing Person with respect to any shares of any class or series of shares of the corporation; provided that, for the purposes of the definition of "Synthetic Equity Position," the term "derivative security" shall also include any security or instrument that would not otherwise constitute a "derivative security" as a result of any feature that would make any conversion, exercise or similar right or privilege of such security or instrument becoming determinable only at some future date or upon the happening of a future occurrence, in which case the determination of the amount of securities into which such

security or instrument would be convertible or exercisable shall be made assuming that such security or instrument is immediately convertible or exercisable at the time of such determination; and, provided, further, that any Proposing Person satisfying the requirements of Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act (other than a Proposing Person that so satisfies Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act solely by reason of Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)) shall not be deemed to hold or maintain the notional amount of any securities that underlie a Synthetic Equity Position held by such Proposing Person as a hedge with respect to a bona fide derivatives trade or position of such Proposing Person arising in the ordinary course of such Proposing Person's business as a derivatives dealer, (B) any rights to dividends on the shares of any class or series of shares of the corporation owned beneficially by such Proposing Person that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the corporation, (C) any material pending or threatened legal proceeding in which such Proposing Person is a party or material participant involving the corporation or any of its officers or directors, or any affiliate of the corporation, (D) any other material relationship between such Proposing Person, on the one hand, and the corporation or any affiliate of the corporation, on the other hand, (E) any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement of such Proposing Person with the corporation or any affiliate of the corporation (including, in any such case, any employment agreement, collective bargaining agreement or consulting agreement), (F) a representation that such Proposing Person intends or is part of a group which intends to deliver a proxy statement or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the corporation's outstanding capital stock required to approve or adopt the proposal or otherwise solicit proxies from stockholders in support of such proposal and (G) any other information relating to suc

(iii) As to each item of business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting, (A) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting and any material interest in such business of each Proposing Person, (B) the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration and in the event that such business includes a proposal to amend the Bylaws, the language of the proposed amendment), (C) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (1) between or among any of the Proposing Persons or (2) between or among any Proposing Person and any other record or beneficial holder(s) or persons(s) who have a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future of the shares of any class or series of the corporation (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such business by such stockholder, and (D) any other information relating to such item of business that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filing required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies in support of the business proposed to be brought before the meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act; provided, however, that the disclosures required by this paragraph shall not include any disclosures with respect to any broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee who is a Proposing Person solely as a result of being the stockholder directed to prepare and submit the notice required by these Bylaws on behalf of a beneficial owner.

For purposes of this Section 3.15, the term "Proposing Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder providing the notice of business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the business proposed to be brought before the annual meeting is made, and (iii) any participant (as defined in paragraphs (a)(ii)-(vi) of Instruction 3 to Item 4 of Schedule 14A) with such stockholder in such solicitation.

- (d) A Proposing Person shall update and supplement its notice to the corporation of its intent to propose business at an annual meeting, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Section 3.15 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any proposal or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, no business shall be conducted at an annual meeting that is not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 3.15. The presiding officer of the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that the business was not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 3.15, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare to the meeting and any such business not properly brought before the meeting shall not be transacted.
- (f) This Section 3.15 is expressly intended to apply to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting of stockholders other than any proposal made in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and included in the corporation's proxy statement. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.15 with respect to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, each Proposing Person shall comply with all applicable

requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such business. Nothing in this Section 3.15 shall be deemed to affect the rights of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals in the corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

(g) For purposes of these Bylaws, "public disclosure" shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by a national news service or in a document publicly filed by the corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Sections 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

3.16 Requirements Director Candidates. To be eligible to be a candidate for election as a director of the corporation at an annual or special meeting, a candidate must be nominated in the manner prescribed in Section 3.14 and the candidate for nomination, whether nominated by the Board of Directors or by a stockholder of record, must have previously delivered (in accordance with the time period prescribed for delivery in a notice to such candidate given by or on behalf of the Board of Directors), to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation, (i) a completed written questionnaire (in the form provided by the corporation upon written request of any stockholder of record therefor) with respect to the background, qualifications, stock ownership and independence of such proposed nominee and (ii) a written representation and agreement (in the form provided by the corporation upon written request of any stockholder of record therefor) that such candidate for nomination (A) is not and, if elected as a director during his or her term of office, will not become a party to (1) any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given and will not give any commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such proposed nominee, if elected as a director of the corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting Commitment") or (2) any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with such proposed nominee's ability to comply, if elected as a director of the corporation, with such proposed nominee's fiduciary duties under applicable law, (B) is not, and will not become a party to, any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation or reimbursement for service as a director of the corporation that has not been disclosed to the corporation, (C) if elected as a director of the corporation, will comply with all applicable corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality, stock ownership and trading and other policies and guidelines of the corporation applicable to directors and in effect during such person's term in office as a director (and, if requested by any candidate for nomination, the Secretary of the corporation shall provide to such candidate for nomination all such policies and guidelines then in effect), and (D) if elected as director of the corporation, intends to serve the entire term until the next meeting at which such candidate would face re-election.

The Board of Directors may also require any proposed candidate for nomination as a Director to furnish such other information as may reasonably be requested by the Board of Directors in writing prior to the meeting of stockholders at which such candidate's nomination is to be acted upon. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Board of Directors may request such other information in order for the Board of Directors to determine the eligibility of such candidate for nomination to be an independent director of the corporation or to comply with the Director qualification standards and additional selection criteria in accordance with the corporation's corporate governance guidelines or proxy statement. Such other information shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation (or any other office specified by the corporation in any public announcement) not later than five (5) business days after the request by the Board of Directors has been delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Nominating Person.

A candidate for nomination as a director shall further update and supplement the materials delivered pursuant to this Section 3.16, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided pursuant to this Section 3.16 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation (or any other office specified by the corporation in any public announcement) not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any nomination or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding nominees, matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.

No candidate shall be eligible for nomination as a director of the corporation unless such candidate for nomination and the Nominating Person seeking to place such candidate's name in nomination has complied with Section 3.14 and this Section 3.16, as applicable. The presiding officer at the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that a nomination was not properly made in accordance with Section 3.14 and this Section 3.16, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare such determination to the meeting, the defective nomination shall be disregarded and any ballots cast for the candidate in question (but in the case of any form of ballot listing other qualified nominees, only the ballots cast for the nominee in question) shall be void and of no force or effect.

Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, no candidate for nomination shall be eligible to be seated as a director of the corporation unless nominated and elected in accordance with Section 3.14 and this Section 3.16.

# IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 4.01. General Powers. The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.
- 4.02. Number, Tenure, and Qualification of Directors. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate, the authorized number of directors shall be not less than one nor more than twelve. The number of directors in office from time to time shall be within the limits specified above, as prescribed initially in the Certificate, or by the incorporator or incorporators of the corporation, or by the initial director or directors of the corporation and thereafter as prescribed from time to time by resolution adopted by either the stockholders or by the Board of Directors upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office. The Board of Directors, upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, shall have the power to increase or decrease its size within the aforesaid limits and to fill any vacancies that may occur in its membership, whether resulting from an increase in the size of the Board or otherwise. Each director shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation or removal. Unless required by the Certificate, directors do not need to be residents of the State of Delaware or stockholders of the corporation.
- 4.03. Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors. A regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors is to be held as soon as practicable after the adjournment of each annual meeting of the stockholders, either at the place of the stockholders meeting or at such other place as the directors elected at the stockholders meeting may have been informed of at or prior to the time of their election. Additional regular meetings may be held at regular intervals at such places and at such times as the Board of Directors may determine.
- 4.04. Special Meetings of the Board of Directors. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be held whenever and wherever called for by the Chairman of the Board, the Vice Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or the number of directors that would be required to constitute a quorum.
- 4.05. Notice of, and Waiver of Notice for, Directors Meetings. No notice need be given of regular meetings of the Board of Directors. Notice of the time and place (but not necessarily the purpose or all of the purposes) of any special meeting will be given to each director in person or by telephone, or via mail or facsimile transmission or electronic transmission (which shall include electronic e-mail via the internet). Notice to any director of any such special meeting will be deemed given sufficiently in advance when (i), if given by mail, the same is deposited in the United States mail at least four (4) days before the meeting date, with postage thereon prepaid, (ii), if given by facsimile or electronic transmission, the same is transmitted at least 24 hours prior to the convening of the meeting, or (iii), if personally delivered (including by overnight courier) or given by telephone, the same is handed, or the substance thereof is communicated over the telephone to the director or to an adult member of his or her office staff or household, at least 24 hours prior to the convening of the meeting. Any director may waive notice of any meeting and any adjournment thereof at any time before, during, or after it is held, as provided by law. Except as provided in the next sentence below, the waiver must be (a) in writing, signed by the director entitled to the notice, and filed with the minutes or corporate records, or (b) by electronic transmission identifying the party waiving notice, and printed out in paper form and filed with the minutes or corporate records. The attendance of a director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except when the person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.
- 4.06. Director Quorum. A majority of the total number of directors then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, unless the Certificate requires a greater number.
- 4.07. Directors, Manner of Acting.
- (a) The affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors unless the Certificate or these Bylaws require a greater percentage and except as otherwise required by law.
- (b) Unless the Certificate provides otherwise, any or all directors may participate in a regular or special meeting by, or conduct the meeting through the use of, conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting may hear each other, in which case any required notice of such meeting may generally describe the arrangements (rather than or in addition to the place) for the holding thereof. A director participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.
- (c) A director who is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board of Directors when corporate action is taken is deemed to have assented to the action taken unless: (1) the director objects at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon his/her arrival) to holding it or transacting business at the meeting; or (2) his/her dissent or abstention from the action taken is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or (3) he/she delivers written notice of his/her dissent or abstention to the presiding officer of the meeting before its adjournment or to the corporation before 5:00 p.m. on the next business day after the meeting. The right of dissent or abstention is not available to a director who votes in favor of the action taken.
- 4.08. Director Action Without a Meeting. Unless the Certificate provides otherwise, any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors, or any committee thereof, at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if the action is taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors, or the committee, as the case may be, as evidenced by one (1) or more written consents, in writing or electronic transmission in compliance with law, describing the action taken, signed by each director and filed with the minutes or proceedings of the Board of Directors. Such filing shall be in paper form if the minutes are maintained in paper form and shall be in electronic form if the minutes are maintained in electronic form.

- 4.09. Removal of Directors by Stockholders. Except as limited by law, to the extent provided in the Certificate, any director or the entire Board of Directors may be removed, with or without cause, by the holders of two-thirds of the shares entitled to vote at an election of directors.
- 4.10. Board of Director Vacancies. Unless the Certificates provides otherwise and except as otherwise provided by law, any vacancy or newly created directorship may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director.
- 4.11. Director Compensation. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate, by resolution of the Board of Directors, each director may be paid his/her expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof, and may be paid a stated salary as director or a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof, or both. No such payment shall preclude any director from serving the corporation in any capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

#### 4.12. Director Committees.

- (a) Creation of Committees. Unless the Certificate provides otherwise, the Board of Directors may create one (1) or more committees and appoint members of the Board of Directors to serve on them. Each committee shall have one (1) or more members, who serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.
- (b) Selection of Members. The creation of a committee and appointment of members to it shall be approved by the greater of (1) two-thirds of all the directors in office when the action is taken or (2) the number of directors required by the Certificate to take such action. The Board of Directors may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. In the absence or disqualification of any member of a committee, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he/she or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absent or disqualified member.
- (c) Required Procedures. Sections 4.03 through 4.08 of this Article IV, which govern meetings, action without meetings, notice and waiver of notice, and quorum and voting requirements of the Board of Directors, apply to committees and their members.
- (d) Authority. Unless limited by the Certificate and except to the extent limited by law, each committee may exercise those aspects of the authority of the Board of Directors which the Board of Directors confers upon such committee in the resolution creating the committee.
- 4.13. Director Resignations. Any director or committee member may resign from his or her office at any time by written notice delivered to the corporation as required by law. Any such resignation will be effective upon its receipt unless some later time is therein fixed, and then from that time. The acceptance of a resignation will not be required to make it effective.
- 4.14. Interested Directors. No contract or transaction between the corporation and one or more of its directors or officers, or between the corporation and any other corporation, partnership, association, or other organization in which one or more of its directors or officers are directors or officers, or have a financial interest, shall be void or voidable solely for this reason, or solely because the director or officer is present at or participates in the meeting of the Board of Directors or committee thereof which authorizes the contract or transaction, or solely because such director's vote is counted for such purpose if (i) the material facts as to such director's relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction are disclosed or are known to the Board of Directors or the committee, and the Board of Directors or committee in good faith authorizes the contract or transaction by the affirmative votes of a majority of the disinterested directors, even though the disinterested directors be less than a quorum; or (ii) the material facts as to such director's relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction are disclosed or are known to the stockholders entitled to vote thereon, and the contract or transaction is specifically approved in good faith by vote of the stockholders; or (iii) the contract or transaction is fair as to the corporation as of the time it is authorized, approved or ratified, by the Board of Directors, a committee thereof or the stockholders. Interested directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee which authorizes the contract or transaction.

# V. OFFICERS

- 5.01. Number of Officers. The officers of the corporation shall be a Chief Executive Officer, a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Directors. Such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary, including any Vice Presidents, may be appointed by the Board of Directors. If specifically authorized by the Board of Directors, an officer may appoint one (1) or more other officers or assistant officers. The same individual may simultaneously hold more than one (1) office in the corporation.
- 5.02. Appointment and Term of Office. The officers of the corporation shall be appointed by the Board of Directors for a term as determined by the Board of Directors. The designation of a specified term grants to the officer no contract rights, and the Board of Directors can remove the officer at any time prior to the termination of such term. If no term is specified, an officer of the corporation shall hold office until he or she resigns, dies, or until he or she is removed in the manner provided by law or in Section 5.03 of this Article V. The regular election or appointment of officers will take place at each annual meeting of the Board of Directors, but elections of officers may be held at any other meeting of the Board.
- 5.03. Resignation and Removal of Officers. An officer may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the corporation. A resignation is effective when the notice is delivered unless the notice specifies a later effective date or

event. Any officer may be removed by the Board of Directors at any time, with or without cause. Such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Appointment of an officer shall not of itself create contract rights.

5.04. Duties of Officers. Officers of the corporation shall have authority to perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by law, in these Bylaws, or by the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, or the superior officer of any such officer. Each officer of the corporation (in the order designated herein or by the Board) will be vested with all of the powers and charged with all of the duties of his or her superior officer in the event of such superior officer's absence, death, or disability.

5.05. Bonds and Other Requirements. The Board of Directors may require any officer to give bond to the corporation (with sufficient surety and conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his or her office) and to comply with such other conditions as may from time to time be required of him or her by the Board of Directors.

5.06. Chief Executive Officer. Unless otherwise specified by resolution of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation and, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, shall supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the corporation and the performance by all of its other officers of their respective duties and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chief Executive Officer and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time. The Chief Executive Officer shall, when present, and in the absence of a Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board, preside at all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors. The Chief Executive Officer will be a proper officer to sign on behalf of the corporation any deed, bill of sale, assignment, option, mortgage, pledge, note, bond, evidence of indebtedness, application, consent (to service of process or otherwise), agreement, indenture, contract, or other instrument, except in each such case where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. The Chief Executive Officer may represent the corporation at any meeting of the stockholders or members of any other corporation, association, partnership, joint venture, or other entity in which the corporation then holds shares of capital stock or has an interest, and may vote such shares of capital stock or other interest in person or by proxy appointed by him or her, provided that the Board of Directors may from time to time confer the foregoing authority upon any other person or persons.

5.07. The President. If appointed, the President shall have, subject to the control of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer, general and active supervision and direction over the business and affairs of the corporation and over its several officers. If appointed, in the absence of the Chief Executive Officer or in the event of his/her death or disability, the President shall perform the duties of the Chief Executive Officer, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Chief Executive Officer. The President will be a proper officer to sign on behalf of the corporation any deed, bill of sale, assignment, option, mortgage, pledge, note, bond, evidence of indebtedness, application, consent (to service of process or otherwise), agreement, indenture, contract, or other instrument, except in each such case where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. The President may represent the corporation at any meeting of the stockholders or members of any other corporation, association, partnership, joint venture, or other entity in which the corporation then holds shares of capital stock or has an interest, and may vote such shares of capital stock or other interest in person or by proxy appointed by him or her, provided that the Board of Directors may from time to time confer the foregoing authority upon any other person or persons. The President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or by the Board of Directors.

5.08. The Vice-President. If appointed, in the absence of the Chief Executive Officer and the President or in the event of their death or disability, the Vice-President (or in the event there be more than one Vice-President, the Vice-Presidents in the order designated by the Board of Directors from time to time, or in the absence of any such designation, then in the order of their appointment) shall perform the duties of the Chief Executive Officer, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Chief Executive Officer. If there is no Vice-President or in the event of the death or disability of all Vice-Presidents, then the Treasurer shall perform such duties of the President in the event of his or her absence, death, or disability. Each Vice-President will be a proper officer to sign on behalf of the corporation any deed, bill of sale, assignment, option, mortgage, pledge, note, bond, evidence of indebtedness, application, consent (to service of process or otherwise), agreement, indenture, contract, or other instrument, except in each such case where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. Any Vice-President may represent the corporation at any meeting of the stockholders or members of any other corporation, association, partnership, joint venture, or other entity in which the corporation then holds shares of capital stock or has an interest, and may vote such shares of capital stock or other interest in person or by proxy appointed by him or her, provided that the Board of Directors may from time to time confer the foregoing authority upon any other person or persons. A Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or the President or by the Board of Directors.

5.09. The Secretary. The Secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the stockholders and of Directors and any committee of the Board of Directors and all unanimous written consents of the stockholders, Board of Directors, and any committee of the Board of Directors in one (1) or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of any seal of the corporation; (d) when requested or required, authenticate any records of the corporation; (e) keep a register of the address of each stockholder which shall be furnished to the Secretary by such stockholder; and (f) in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or the President or by the Board of Directors. Except as may otherwise be specifically provided in a resolution of the Board of Directors, the Secretary will be a proper officer to take charge of the corporation's stock transfer books and

to compile the voting record pursuant to Section 3.05 above, and to impress the corporation's seal, if any, on any instrument signed by the Chief Executive Officer, the President, any Vice President, or any other duly authorized person, and to attest to the same. In the absence of the Secretary, a secretary pro tempore may be chosen by the directors or stockholders as appropriate to perform the duties of the Secretary.

- 5.10. The Treasurer shall: (a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; (b) receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such bank, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected by the Board of Directors or any proper officer; (c) keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books and records of the corporation; and (d) in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or the President or by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer will render to the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the directors, and the stockholders at proper times an account of all his or her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the corporation. The Treasurer shall be responsible for preparing and filing such financial reports, financial statements, and returns as may be required by law.
- 5.11. Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers. The Assistant Secretaries and the Assistant Treasurers, when authorized by the Board of Directors, may sign with the Chief Executive Officer, the President or a Vice-President certificates for shares of the corporation, the issuance of which shall have been authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors. The Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Secretary or the Treasurer, respectively, or by the Chief Executive Officer, the President or the Board of Directors.
- 5.12. Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board. The Board of Directors may appoint a Chairman and a Vice Chairman of the Board. If appointed, the Chairman, and if not present, the Vice Chairman, will preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and be vested with such other powers and duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time delegate to him or her.
- 5.13. Salaries. Subject to the requirements of applicable law or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Nasdaq or any other exchange on which the corporation's securities are listed, the salaries of the officers of the corporation may be fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors or a committee thereof or (except as to the Chief Executive Officers' own) left to the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer. No officer will be prevented from receiving a salary by reason of the fact that he or she is also a director of the corporation.
- 5.14. Additional Appointments. In addition to the officers contemplated in this Article V, the Board of Directors may appoint other agents of the corporation with such authority to perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

# VI. CERTIFICATES FOR SHARES AND THEIR TRANSFER

# 6.01. Certificates for Shares.

- (a) Content. Certificates representing shares of the corporation shall, at a minimum, state on their face the name of the issuing corporation and that it is formed under the laws of the State of Delaware, the name of the person to whom issued, and the number and class of shares and the designation of the series, if any, the certificate represents. Such certificates shall be signed (either manually or by facsimile to the extent allowable by law) by any of the Chairman of the Board, the Vice Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, or any Vice-President and by the Secretary or any assistant secretary or the Treasurer or any assistant treasurer of the corporation, and may be sealed with a corporate seal or a facsimile thereof. Each certificate for shares shall be consecutively numbered or otherwise identified and will exhibit such information as may be required by law. If a supply of unissued certificates bearing the facsimile signature of a person remains when that person ceases to hold the office of the corporation indicated on such certificates or ceases to be the transfer agent or registrar of the corporation, they may still be issued by the corporation and countersigned, registered, sentificate
- (b) Legend as to Class or Series. If the corporation is authorized to issue different classes of shares or different series within a class, the powers, designations, preferences, and relative, participating, optional, or other special rights applicable to each class or series and the qualifications, limitations, or restrictions of such preference and/or rights shall be set forth in full or summarized on the front or back of each certificate as required by law. Alternatively, each certificate may state on its front or back that the corporation will furnish a stockholder this information on request and without charge.
- (c) Stockholder List. The name and address of the person to whom shares are issued, with the number of shares and date of issue, shall be entered on the stock transfer books of the corporation.
- (d) Lost Certificates. In the event of the loss, theft, or destruction of any certificate representing shares of the corporation or of any predecessor corporation, the corporation may issue (or, in the case of any such shares as to which a transfer agent and/or registrar have been appointed, may direct such transfer agent and/or registrar to countersign, register, and issue) a new certificate, and cause the same to be delivered to the registered owner of the shares represented thereby; provided that such owner shall have submitted such evidence showing the circumstances of the alleged loss, theft, or destruction, and his, her, or its ownership of the certificate, as the corporation considers satisfactory, together with any other facts that the corporation considers pertinent; and further provided that, if so required by the corporation, the owner shall provide a bond or other indemnity in form and amount satisfactory to the corporation (and to its transfer agent and/or registrar, if applicable).

6.02. Registration of the Transfer of Shares. Registration of the transfer of shares of the corporation shall be made only on the stock transfer books of the corporation. In order to register a transfer, the record owner shall surrender the shares to the corporation for cancellation, properly endorsed by the appropriate person or persons with reasonable assurances that the endorsements are genuine and effective. Unless the corporation has established a procedure by which a beneficial owner of shares held by a nominee is to be recognized by the corporation as the owner, the corporation will be entitled to treat the registered owner of any share of the capital stock of the corporation as the absolute owner thereof and, accordingly, will not be bound to recognize any beneficial, equitable, or other claim to, or interest in, such share on the part of any other person, whether or not it has notice thereof, except as may expressly be provided by applicable law, including as may be contemplated by Title 6, Subtitle I, Article 8 of the Delaware code (or any comparable successor statutes), as in effect from time to time.

6.03. Shares Without Certificates. The Board of Directors may authorize the issuance of uncertificated shares by the corporation and may prescribe procedures for the issuance and registration of transfer thereof and with respect to such other matters as the Board of Directors shall deem necessary or appropriate.

# VII. DISTRIBUTIONS

7.01. Distributions. Subject to such restrictions or requirements as may be imposed by applicable law or the corporation's Certificate or as may otherwise be binding upon the corporation, the Board of Directors may from time to time declare, and the corporation may pay or make, dividends or other distributions to its stockholders.

# VIII. CORPORATE SEAL

8.01. Corporate Seal. The Board of Directors may provide for a corporate seal of the corporation that will have inscribed thereon any designation including the name of the corporation, Delaware as the state of incorporation, the year of incorporation, and the words "Corporate Seal."

# IX. AMENDMENTS

9.01. Amendments. If the Certificate so provides, the corporation's Board of Directors may amend or repeal the corporation's Bylaws unless the Certificate or the Delaware General Corporation Law reserve any particular exercise of this power exclusively to the stockholders in whole or part; provided, that any amendment of the corporation's Bylaws that revises the requirement in Section 4.02 and/or Section 4.12 for an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the corporation's directors then in office shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the corporation's directors then in office. The corporation's stockholders may amend or repeal the corporation's Bylaws by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the issued and outstanding capital stock of the corporation entitled to vote thereon, even though the Bylaws may also be amended or repealed by its Board of Directors.

# X. FORUM SELECTION

10.01. Forum Selection. Unless the corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, (a) the Court of Chancery (the "Chancery Court") of the State of Delaware (or, in the event that the Chancery Court does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware or other state courts of the State of Delaware) shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action, suit or proceeding brought on behalf of the corporation, (ii) any action, suit or proceeding asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or stockholder of the corporation to the corporation or to the corporation's stockholders, (iii) any action, suit or proceeding arising pursuant to any provision of the Delaware General Corporation Law or the Certificate or these bylaws (as either may be amended from time to time) or (iv) any action, suit or proceeding asserting a claim against the corporation governed by the internal affairs doctrine; and (b) subject to the preceding provisions of this Article X, the federal district courts of the United States of America shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause or causes of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, including all causes of action asserted against any defendant to such complaint. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence is filed in a court other than the courts in the State of Delaware in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce the provisions of clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence and (y) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such action by service upon such stockholder's counsel in the Foreign Action as agent for such stockholder.

Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any security of the corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to this Article X. This provision is intended to benefit and may be enforced by the corporation, its officers and directors, the underwriters to any offering giving rise to such complaint, and any other professional or entity whose profession gives authority to a statement made by that person or entity and who has prepared or certified any part of the documents underlying the offering. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Article X shall not apply to suits brought to enforce any liability or duty created by the Exchange Act, or any other claim for which the federal courts of the United States have exclusive jurisdiction.

If any provision or provisions of this Article X shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever, (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Article X (including, without limitation, each portion of any paragraph of this Article X containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the application of such provision to other persons or entities and circumstances shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

# AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS

OF

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC. As amended through February 8 December 13, 201122

#### I. REFERENCES TO CERTAIN TERMS AND CONSTRUCTION

1.01. Certain References. Any reference herein made to law will be deemed to refer to the law of the State of Delaware, including any applicable provision of Chapter 1 of Title 8 of the Delaware Code, or any successor statutes, as from time to time amended and in effect (sometimes referred to herein as the "Delaware General Corporation Law"). Any reference herein made to the corporation's Certificate will be deemed to refer to its Certificate of Incorporation (the "Certificate") and all amendments thereto as at any given time on file with the Delaware Secretary of State (any reference herein to that office being intended to include any successor to the incorporating and related functions being performed by that office at the date of the initial adoption of these Bylaws). Except as otherwise required by law, the term "stockholder" as used herein shall mean one who is a holder of record of shares of the corporation.

1.02. Seniority. The law and the Certificate (in that order of precedence) will in all respects be considered senior and superior to these Bylaws, with any inconsistency to be resolved in favor of the law and such Certificate (in that order of precedence), and with these Bylaws to be deemed automatically amended from time to time to eliminate any such inconsistency which may then exist.

1.03. Computation of Time. The time during which an act is required to be done, including the time for the giving of any required notice herein, shall be computed by excluding the first day or hour, as the case may be, and including the last day or hour.

#### II. OFFICES

2.01. Principal Office. The principal office or place of business of the corporation in the State of Delaware shall be the registered office of the corporation in the State of Delaware. The corporation may change its registered office from time to time in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law. The corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors may designate or as the business of the corporation may require from time to time.

# III. STOCKHOLDERS

3.01. Annual Stockholder Meeting. The annual meeting of stockholders shall be held on such date and at such time as shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors and stated in the notice of the meeting, at which meetings the stockholders shall elect by a plurality vote members of the Board of Directors and transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board of Directors may, in its sole discretion, determine that the meeting shall not be held at any place, but may instead be held by means of remote communication as provided under the Delaware General Corporation Law. The Board of Directors may postpone, reschedule or cancel any previously scheduled annual meeting of stockholders.

# 3.02. Special Stockholder Meetings.

(a) Unless otherwise prescribed by law or by the Certificate of Incorporation, special meetings of stockholders, for any purpose or purposes, (i) may be called by the Chairman of the Board (or in his or her absence, the Vice Chairman) or the Chief Executive Officer, and (ii) shall be called by the Chief Executive Officer or the Secretary upon a written request (x) signed by at least three members of the Board of Directors, or (y) of the holders of at least a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote thereat. Any such written request by stockholders shall state the purpose or purposes of the proposed meeting, and business to be transacted at any such meeting shall be confined to the purposes stated in the notice thereof and to such additional matters as the chairman of the meeting may rule to be germane to such purposes. Except in accordance with this Section 3.02, stockholders shall not be permitted to propose business to be brought before a special meeting of the stockholders. Stockholders who nominate persons for election to the board of directors at a special meeting must also comply with the requirements set forth in Section 3.14 and Section 3.16. The Board of Directors may postpone, reschedule or cancel any previously scheduled special meeting of stockholders.

(b) No stockholder may demand that the Secretary of the corporation call a special meeting of the stockholders pursuant to Section 3.02(a) unless a stockholder of record has first submitted a request in writing that the Board of Directors fix a record date (a "Demand Record Date") for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to demand that the Secretary of the corporation call such special meeting, which request shall be in proper form and delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary of the corporation at the principal executive offices of the corporation.

(c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.02, a request by a stockholder for the Board of Directors to fix a Demand Record Date shall set forth: (i) as to each Requesting Person (as defined below), the Stockholder Information (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.02 the term "Requesting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15); (ii) as to each Requesting Person, any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.02 the term "Requesting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15 and the disclosure with respect to the business to be brought before the meeting in Section 3.15 shall be made with respect to the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting or the proposed election of directors at the special meeting, as the case may be); (iii) as to the purpose or purposes of the special meeting. (A) a

reasonably brief description of the purpose or purposes of the special meeting and the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the special meeting and any material interest in such business of each Requesting Person, and (B) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (x) between or among any of the Requesting Persons or (y) between or among any Requesting Person and any other record or beneficial holder of the shares of any class or series of the corporation (including their names) in connection with the request for the special meeting or the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting; and (iv) if directors are proposed to be elected at the special meeting, the Nominee Information for each person whom a Requesting Person expects to nominate for election as a director at the special meeting. For purposes of this Section 3.02, the term "Requesting Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder making the request to fix a Demand Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to demand that the Secretary call a special meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf such request is made, and (iii) any affiliate of such stockholder or beneficial owner.

(d) Within ten (10) days after receipt of a request to fix a Demand Record Date in proper form and otherwise in compliance with this Section 3.02 from any stockholder of record, the Board of Directors may adopt a resolution fixing a Demand Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to demand that the Secretary of the corporation call a special meeting, which date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the Demand Record Date is adopted by the Board of Directors. If no resolution fixing a Demand Record Date has been adopted by the Board of Directors within the ten (10) day period after the date on which such a request to fix a Demand Record Date was received, the Demand Record Date in respect thereof shall be deemed to be the twentieth (20th) day after the date on which such a request is received. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 3.02 to the contrary, no Demand Record Date shall be fixed if the Board of Directors determines that the demand or demands that would otherwise be submitted following such Demand Record Date could not comply with the requirements set forth in clauses (ii), (iv), (v) or (vi) of Section 3.02(f) below.

(e) Without qualification, a special meeting of the stockholders shall not be called pursuant to Section 3.02(a)(ii)(y) unless stockholders of record as of the Demand Record Date who hold, in the aggregate, at least a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the corporation that would be entitled to vote at such special meeting (the "Requisite Percentage") timely provide one or more demands to call such special meeting in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the corporation at the principal executive offices of the corporation. Only stockholders of record on the Demand Record Date shall be entitled to demand that the Secretary of the corporation call a special meeting of the stockholders pursuant to Section 3.02(a)(ii)(y). To be timely, a stockholder's demand to call a special meeting must be delivered to, or mailed and received at, the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than the sixtieth (60th) day following the Demand Record Date. To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.02, a demand to call a special meeting shall set forth (i) the business proposed to be conducted at the special meeting or the proposed election of directors at the special meeting, as the case may be, (ii) the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration), if applicable, and (iii) with response to a solicitation made pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (as so amended and inclusive of the rules and regulations thereunder, the "Exchange Act") by way of a solicitation statement filed on Schedule 14A (a "Solicited Stockholder")) the information required to be provided pursuant to this Section 3.02 of a Requesting Person. A stockholder may revoke a demand to call a special meeting by written revocation delivered to the Secretary at any time prior to the special meeting, If any such revocation(s) are received by the Secretary after the Secretary's receipt of writ

(f) The Secretary shall not accept, and shall consider ineffective, a written demand from a stockholder to call a special meeting (j) that does not comply with this Section 3.02, (ii) that relates to an item of business to be transacted at such meeting that is not a proper subject for stockholder action under applicable law, (iii) that includes an item of business to be transacted at such meeting that did not appear on the written request that resulted in the determination of the Demand Record Date, (iv) that relates to an item of business (other than the election of directors) that is identical or substantially, similar to an item of business (a "Similar Item") for which a record date for notice of a stockholder meeting (other than the Demand Record Date) was previously fixed and such demand is delivered between the time beginning on the sixty-first (61st) day after such previous record date and ending on the one-year anniversary of such previous record date, (v) if a Similar Item will be submitted for stockholder approval at any stockholder meeting to be held on or before the ninetieth (90th) day after the Secretary receives such demand, or (vi) if a Similar Item has been presented at the most recent annual meeting or at any special meeting held within one year prior to receipt by the Secretary of such demand to call a special meeting.

(g) After receipt of demands in proper form and in accordance with this Section 3.02 from a stockholder or stockholders holding the Requisite Percentage, the Board of Directors shall duly call, and determine the place, date and time of, a special meeting of stockholders for the purpose or purposes and to conduct the business specified in the demands received by the corporation. Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, the Board of Directors may submit its own proposal or proposals for consideration at such a special meeting. The record date for notice and voting for such a special meeting shall be fixed in accordance with Section 3.04 of these Bylaws. The Board of Directors shall provide written notice of such special meeting to the stockholders in accordance with Section 3.03.

(h) In connection with a special meeting called in accordance with this Section 3.02, the stockholder or stockholders (except for any Solicited Stockholder) who requested that the Board of Directors fix a record date for notice and voting for the special meeting in accordance with this Section 3.02 or who delivered a demand to call a special meeting to the Secretary shall further update and supplement the information previously provided to the corporation

in connection with such request or demand, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such request or demand pursuant to this Section 3.02 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the special meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the special meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the special meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the special meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any request or demand provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted a request or demand hereunder to amend or update any such request or demand, including by changing or adding nominees, matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.

(i) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, the Secretary shall not be required to call a special meeting pursuant to this Section 3.02 except in accordance with this Section 3.02. If the Board of Directors shall determine that any request to fix a record date for notice and voting for the special meeting or demand to call and hold a special meeting was not properly made in accordance with this Section 3.02, or shall determine that the stockholder or stockholders requesting that the Board of Directors fix such record date or submitting a demand to call the special meeting have not otherwise complied with this Section 3.02, then the Board of Directors shall not be required to fix such record date or to call and hold the special meeting. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.02, each Requesting Person shall comply with all requirements of applicable law, including all requirements of the Exchange Act, with respect to any request to fix a record date for notice and voting for the special meeting or demand to call a special meeting.

# 3.03. Notice of Stockholders Meetings.

- (a) Required Notice. Except as otherwise allowed or required by law, written notice stating the place, day and hour of any annual or special stockholders meeting, and the means of remote communications, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such meeting, shall be given not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting and to any other stockholder entitled to receive notice of the meeting by law or the Certificate. Such notice may be given either personally or by sending a copy thereof through the mail, by telegraph, by private delivery service (including overnight courier), or by facsimile transmission, charges prepaid, to each stockholder at his/her address as it appears on the records of the corporation. If the notice is sent by mail, by telegraph or by private delivery service, it shall be deemed to have been given to the person entitled thereto when deposited in the United States mail or with a telegraph office or private delivery service for transmission to such person. If the notice is sent by facsimile transmission, it shall be deemed to have been given upon transmission, if transmission occurs on a business day before 5:00 p.m. at the place of receipt, and upon the business day following transmission, if transmission occurs after 5:00 p.m.
- (b) Adjourned Meeting. If any stockholders meeting is adjourned to a different date, time, or place, notice need not be given of the new date, time, and place, if the new date, time, and place are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken or are provided in any other manner permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. But if the adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days, or if after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, then notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to such notice pursuant to Section 3.03(a) above.
- (c) Waiver of Notice. Any stockholder may waive notice of a meeting (or any notice of any other action required to be given by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the corporation's Certificate, or these Bylaws), at any time before, during, or after the meeting or other action, by a writing signed by the stockholder entitled to the notice. Each such waiver shall be delivered to the corporation for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the corporate records. Attendance of a stockholder at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting, except when the stockholder attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.
- (d) Contents of Notice. The notice of each special stockholders meeting shall include a description of the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called. Except as required by law or the corporation's Certificate, the notice of an annual stockholders meeting need not include a description of the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called.
- 3.04. Fixing of Record Date. For the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, or in order to make a determination of stockholders for any other proper purpose, the Board of Directors may fix a date as the record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors. In the case of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, such record date shall, unless otherwise required by law, not be more than sixty (60) days nor less than ten (10) days prior to the date of such meeting. In the case of determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, the record date shall not be more than ten (10) days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors. In the case of determining stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purpose of any

other lawful action, the record date shall be not more than sixty (60) days prior to such action. If no record date is so fixed by the Board of Directors, the record date for the determination of stockholders shall be as provided in the Delaware General Corporation Law.

When a determination of stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders has been made as provided in this Section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof, unless the Board of Directors fixes a new record date.

- 3.05. Stockholder List. The officer who has charge of the stock ledger of the corporation shall make, at least ten (10) days no later than the tenth day before every meeting of stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address and the number of shares held by each. The stockholder list shall be available for inspection by any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least ten (10) days prior toending on the day before the meeting date at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the meeting notice, or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present. Except as otherwise provided by law, failure to comply with this section shall not affect the validity of any action taken at the meeting.
- 3.06. Stockholder Quorum and Voting Requirements. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate or these Bylaws or required by law,
- (a) a majority of the shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of stockholders;
- (b) in all matters other than the election of directors, the affirmative vote of the majority of shares voting for or against the subject matter shall be the act of the stockholders, unless a different or minimum vote is required by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Certificate, the Bylaws or the rules and regulations of any stock exchange applicable to the corporation or applicable law or pursuant to any rule or regulation applicable to the corporation or its securities, in which case such different or minimum vote shall be the applicable vote on the matter;
- (c) directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at the meeting; and
- (d) where a separate vote by a class or classes is required, a majority of the outstanding shares of such class or classes, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum entitled to take action with respect to that vote on that matter and the affirmative vote of the majority of shares of such class or classes present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting shall be the act of such class.

Except as provided below, voting will be by ballot on any question as to which a ballot vote is demanded prior to the time the voting begins by any person entitled to vote on such question; otherwise, a voice vote will suffice. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate, all elections of directors will be by written ballot. No ballot or change of vote will be accepted after the polls have been declared closed following the ending of the announced time for voting.

- 3.07. Proxies. At all meetings of stockholders, a stockholder may vote in person or by proxy duly executed in writing by the stockholder or the stockholder's duly authorized attorney-in-fact, or by a transmission permitted by law, including Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act. Such proxy shall comply with law and shall be filed with the Secretary of the corporation or other person authorized to tabulate votes before or at the time of the meeting. No proxy shall be valid after three (3) years from the date of its execution unless otherwise provided in the proxy. The burden of proving the validity of any undated, irrevocable, or otherwise contested proxy at a meeting of the stockholders will rest with the person seeking to exercise the same. A facsimile appearing to have been transmitted by a stockholder or by such stockholder's duly authorized attorney-in-fact may be accepted as a sufficiently written and executed proxy. Any stockholder directly or indirectly soliciting proxies from other stockholders must use a proxy card color other than white, which shall be reserved for the exclusive use by the Board of Directors.
- 3.08. Voting of Shares. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate or the Delaware General Corporation Law, each outstanding share entitled to vote shall be entitled to one (1) vote upon each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of stockholders.
- 3.09. Election Inspectors. The Board of Directors, in advance of any meeting of the stockholders, may appoint an election inspector or inspectors to act at such meeting (and at any adjournment thereof). If an election inspector or inspectors are not so appointed, the chairman of the meeting may, or upon request of any person entitled to vote at the meeting will, make such appointment. If any person appointed as an inspector fails to appear or to act, a substitute may be appointed by the chairman of the meeting. If appointed, the election inspector or inspectors (acting through a majority of them if there be more than one) will determine the number of shares outstanding, the authenticity, validity, and effect of proxies, the credentials of persons purporting to be stockholders or persons named or referred to in proxies, and the number of shares represented at the meeting in person and by proxy; will receive and count votes, ballots, and consents and announce the results thereof; will hear and determine all challenges and questions pertaining to proxies and voting; and, in general, will perform such acts as may be proper to conduct elections and voting with complete fairness to all stockholders. No such election inspector need be a stockholder of the corporation.
- 3.10. Organization and Conduct of Meetings. Each meeting of the stockholders will be called to order and thereafter chaired by the Chairman of the Board of Directors if there is one, or, if not, or if the Chairman of the Board is absent or so requests, then by the Vice Chairman or the Chief Executive Officer, or if both the Chairman and Vice

Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer are unavailable, then by such other officer of the corporation or such stockholder as may be appointed by the Board of Directors. The corporation's Secretary or in his or her absence, an Assistant Secretary will act as secretary of each meeting of the stockholders. If neither the Secretary nor an Assistant Secretary is in attendance, the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person (whether a stockholder or not) to act as secretary for the meeting. After calling a meeting to order, the chairman thereof may require the registration of all stockholders intending to vote in person and the filing of all proxies with the election inspector or inspectors, if one or more have been appointed (or, if not, with the secretary of the meeting). After the announced time for such filing of proxies has ended, no further proxies or changes, substitutions, or revocations of proxies will be accepted. If directors are to be elected, a tabulation of the proxies so filed will, if any person entitled to vote in such election so requests, be announced at the meeting (or adjournment thereof) prior to the closing of the election polls. Absent a showing of bad faith on his or her part, the chairman of a meeting will, among other things, have absolute authority to fix the period of time allowed for the registration of stockholders and the filing of proxies, to determine the order of business to be conducted at such meeting, and to establish reasonable rules for expediting the business of the meeting and preserving the orderly conduct thereof (including any informal, or question and answer portions thereof). Except to the extent inconsistent with such rules and regulations as adopted by the Board of Directors, the person presiding over any meeting of stockholders shall have the right and authority to convene and (for any or no reason) to recess and/or adjourn the meeting, to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures (which need not be in writing) and to do all such acts as, in

- 3.11. Stockholder Approval or Ratification. The Board of Directors may submit any contract or act for approval or ratification of the stockholders at a duly constituted meeting of the stockholders. Except as otherwise required by law, if any contract or act so submitted is approved or ratified by a majority of the votes cast thereon at such meeting, the same will be valid and as binding upon the corporation and all of its stockholders as it would be if it were the act of its stockholders.
- 3.12. Informalities and Irregularities. All informalities or irregularities in any call or notice of a meeting of the stockholders or in the areas of credentials, proxies, quorums, voting, and similar matters, will be deemed waived if no objection is made at the meeting.
- 3.13. Stockholder Action by Written Consent.
- (a) Any action required or permitted to be taken at an annual or special meeting of the stockholders may be taken without a meeting, if one (1) or more consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken, (i) shall be signed by the holders of record on the record date established pursuant to Section 3.13(b) below (the "Written Consent Record Date") of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted and (ii) shall be delivered to the corporation at its registered office in the State of Delaware, at its principal place of business or to an officer or agent of the corporation having custody of the minute books in which proceedings of meetings of stockholders are recorded. Delivery shall be made by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. Each consent shall bear the date of signature of each stockholder who signs the consent and no written consent shall be effective to take corporate action unless, within sixty (60) days of the earliest dated valid consent delivered in the manner described in this Section 3. The 13, written consents shall be shall be entitled to consent to corporate record on the Written Consent Record Date shall be entitled to consent to corporate recordaction in writing without a meeting. Prompt notice of the taking of corporate action without a meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those stockholders who have not consented to the action.
- (b) Without qualification, any stockholder of record seeking to have the stockholders authorize or take any action by written consent shall first request in writing that the Board of Directors fix a Written Consent Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to take such action, which request shall be in proper form and delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary of the corporation at the principal executive offices of the corporation. Within ten (10) days after receipt of a request in proper form and otherwise in compliance with this Section 3.13(b) from any such stockholder, the Board of Directors may adopt a resolution fixing a Written Consent Record Date for the purpose of determining the stockholders entitled to take such action, which date shall not be more than ten (10) days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors. If no resolution fixing a record date has been adopted by the Board of Directors within such ten (10) day period after the date on which such a request is received, (i) the Written Consent Record Date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to such action, when no prior action of the Board of Directors is required by applicable law, shall be the first date on which valid signed written consents constituting of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of the corporation and setting forth the action taken or proposed to be taken is delivered to the corporation in the manner described in this Section 3.13, and (ii) the Written Consent Record Date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to such action, when prior action by the Board of Directors is required by applicable law, shall be at the close of business on the date on which the Board of Directors adopts the resolution taking such prior action.
- (c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.13, a request by a stockholder for the Board of Directors to fix a Written Consent Record Date shall set forth: (i) as to each Soliciting Person (as defined below), the Stockholder Information (as defined in Section 3.15), except that for purposes of this Section 3.13 the term "Soliciting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15; (ii) as to each Soliciting Person, any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.13 the term "Soliciting Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15 and the disclosure in Section 3.15, as applicable, shall be made with respect to the action or actions proposed to be taken by written consent); (iii) as to the action or actions proposed to be taken by written consent, (A)

a reasonably brief description of the action or actions, the reasons for taking such action or actions and any material interest in such action or actions of each Soliciting Person, (B) the text of the resolutions or consent proposed to be acted upon by written consent of the stockholders, and (C) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (x) between or among any of the Soliciting Persons and (y) between or among any Soliciting Person and any other record or beneficial owner of capital stock of the corporation (including their names) in connection with the request or such action or actions; and (iv) If directors are proposed to be elected by written consent, the Nominee Information for each person whom a Requesting Person proposes to elect as a director by written consent.

For purposes of this Section 3.13, the term "Soliciting Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder making a request for the Board of Directors to fix a record date and proposing the action or actions to be taken by written consent, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf such request is made, and (iii) any affiliate of such stockholder or beneficial owner.

- (d) In connection with an action or actions proposed to be taken by written consent in accordance with this Section 3.13, the stockholder or stockholders seeking such action or actions shall further update and supplement the information previously provided to the corporation in connection therewith, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided pursuant to this Section 3.13 shall be true and correct as of the record date for determining the stockholders eligible to take such action and as of the date that is five (5) business days prior to the date the consent solicitation is commenced, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for determining the stockholders eligible to take such action (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of the record date), and not later than three (3) business days prior to the date that the consent solicitation is commenced (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of five (5) business days prior to the commencement of the consent solicitation). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any written consent provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted a written consent hereunder to amend or update any proposal, including by changing or adding nominees, matters, business or proposed resolutions.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, no action may be taken by the stockholders by written consent except in accordance with this Section 3.13. If the Board of Directors shall determine that any request to fix a Written Consent Record Date or to take stockholder action by written consent was not properly made in accordance with this Section 3.13, or the stockholder or stockholders seeking to take such action do not otherwise comply with this Section 3.13, then the Board of Directors shall not be required to fix a Written Consent Record Date and any such purported action by written consent shall be null and void to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.13 with respect to stockholders seeking to take an action by written consent, each Soliciting Person shall comply with all requirements of applicable law, including all requirements of the Exchange Act, with respect to such action.
- 3.14. Nomination of Directors. Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures shall be eligible for election as directors of the corporation. Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors may be made at any annual meeting of stockholders (a) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof or persons authorized to do so by the Board of Directors or these Bylaws) or (b) by any stockholder of the corporation present in person (i) who is a stockholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 3.14 and, on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (ii) who complies with the notice and nomination procedures set forth in this Section 3.14. and Section 3.16. For purposes of this Section 3.14, "present in person" shall mean that the stockholder nominating any person for election to the Board of Directors at the meeting of the corporation, or a qualified representative of such stockholder, appear at such meeting. A "qualified representative" of such proposing stockholder shall be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such stockholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders. The foregoing clause (b) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the Board of Directors at an annual meeting or special meeting.

In addition to any other applicable requirements, for a nomination to be made by a stockholder, such stockholder must have given timely notice (as defined below), thereof in proper written form to the Secretary of the corporation, as prescribed below-, provide the information, agreements and questionnaires with respect to such stockholder and its candidate for nomination as required to be set forth by this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16 and provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16.

No person shall be elected to the Board of Directors of this corporation at an annual meeting of the stockholders, or at a special meeting called for that purpose, unless, with respect to a person nominated by a stockholder of the corporation, a timely written notice of nomination of such person by the stockholder shall have been delivered, or mailed and received, by the Secretary of the corporation not earlier than one hundred and twenty (120) days and not later than ninety (90) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting if an annual meeting, or, in the case of a special meeting, not earlier than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to such special meeting and not later than ninety (90) days prior to such special meeting or, if later, seven (7) days after notice of the meeting is mailed to stockholders if a special meeting. Each such notice shall set forth: (a) the name and address of the stockholder who intends to make the nomination and of the person or persons to be nominated; (b) a representation that the stockholder is a holder of record of stock of the corporation entitled to vote at such meeting

(including the number of shares of stock of the corporation owned beneficially or of record by such stockholder and the nominee or nominees) and intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to nominate the person or persons specified in the notice; (c) a description of all arrangements or understandings between the stockholders and each nominee and any other person or persons (naming such person or persons) pursuant to which the nomination or nominations are to be made by the stockholder; (d) such otherday on which public disclosure (as defined below) of the date of such special meeting was first made; provided, however, that if the date of any annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered, or mailed and received, not more than one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to such annual meeting and not later than (i) ninety (90) days prior to such annual meeting or, (ii) if later, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public disclosure of the date of such annual meeting was first made by the corporation (such notice within such time periods, "Timely Notice"). The stockholder must also provide the information regarding each nominee proposed by with respect to such stockholder and its candidate for nomination as would have been-required to be included in a proxy statement filed pursuant to the proxy rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission had each nominee been nominated, or intended to be nominated, by the Board of Directors; and (e) the consent of each nominee to serve as a director of the corporation if so elected by this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16 and provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 3.14. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or special meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

In no event may a Nominating Person provide Timely Notice with respect to a greater number of director candidates than are subject to election by stockholders at the applicable meeting. If the corporation shall, subsequent to such notice, increase the number of directors subject to election at the meeting, such notice as to any additional nominees shall be due on the later of (i) the conclusion of the time period for Timely Notice, (ii) the date set forth in this Section 3.14 or (iii) the tenth day following the date of public disclosure of such increase.

To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.14, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth as to each Nominating Person (as defined below), (i) the Stockholder Information (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.14 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15, (ii) any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 3.15, except that for purposes of this Section 3.14 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 3.15 and the disclosure with respect to the business to be brought before the meeting in Section 3.15 shall be made with respect to the election of directors at the meeting); and provided that, in lieu of including the information set forth in Section 3.15, the Nominating Person's notice for purposes of this Section 3.14 shall include a representation as to whether the Nominating Person intends or is part of a group which intends to (x) deliver a proxy statement and/or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the corporation's outstanding capital stock required to elect any nominee and (y) solicit the holders of shares representing at least 67% of the voting power of shares entitled to vote on the election of directors in support of director nominees other than the corporation's nominees in accordance with Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 3.14, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth as to each candidate whom a Nominating Person proposes to nominate for election as a director, (i) all information with respect to such candidate for nomination that would be required to be set forth in a stockholder's notice pursuant to this Section 3.14 and Section 3.16 if such candidate for nomination were a Nominating Person, (ii) all information relating to such candidate for nomination that is required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14(a) under the Exchange Act (including such candidate's written consent to being named in a proxy statement and accompanying proxy card relating to the corporation's next meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected and to serving as a director for a full term if elected), (iii) a description of any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement between or among any Nominating Person, on the one hand, and each candidate for nomination or his or her respective associates or any other participants in such solicitation, on the other hand, including, without limitation, all information that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 under Regulation S-K if such Nominating Person were the "registrant" for purposes of such rule and the candidate for nomination were a director or executive officer of such registrant (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (i) through (iii) are referred to as "Nominee Information"), and (iv) a completed and signed questionnaire, representation and agreement as provided in Section 3.16.

For purposes of this Section 3.14, the term "Nominating Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder providing the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting is made, and (iii) any other participant in such solicitation.

No person shall be eligible for election as a director of the corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 3.14. If the chairman of the meeting determines that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the chairman shall declare to the meeting that the nomination was defective and such defective nomination shall be disregarded.

A stockholder providing notice of any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting shall further update and supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Section 3.14 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any

adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any nomination or to submit any new nomination. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.14 with respect to any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting, each stockholder providing notice as to nominations pursuant to this Section 3.14 shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such nominations. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 3.14, unless otherwise required by law, (i) no such stockholder shall solicit proxies in support of director nominees other than the corporation's nominees unless such stockholder has complied with Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act in connection with the solicitation of such proxies, including the provision to the corporation of notices required thereunder in a timely manner and (ii) if any such stockholder (1) provides notice pursuant to Rule 14a-19(b) promulgated under the Exchange Act and (2) subsequently fails to comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(2) and Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act, including the provision to the corporation of notices required thereunder in a timely manner, or fails to timely provide reasonable evidence sufficient to satisfy the corporation that such stockholder has met the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act in accordance with the following sentence, then the corporation shall disregard any proxies or votes solicited for such stockholder's candidates. If any such stockholder provides notice pursuant to Rule 14a-19(b) promulgated under the Exchange Act, such stockholder shall deliver to the corporation, no later than seven (7) business days prior to the applicable meeting, reasonable evidence that it has met the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act.

Notwithstanding compliance with the foregoing provisions, <u>unless otherwise required by Rule 14a-19</u>, the Board of Directors shall not be obligated to include information as to any stockholder nominee for director in any proxy statement or other communication sent to stockholders.

# 3.15. Business at Annual Meetings.

(a) No business may be transacted at an annual meeting of stockholders, other than business that is either (a) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof), (bii) if not specified in a notice of meeting, otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (ciii) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by any stockholder of the corporation (present in person (A) (1) who is a stock holders of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 3.15, and on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (ii) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 3.15-or (B) properly made such proposal in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act. The foregoing clause (iii) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to propose business to be brought before an annual meeting of the stockholders. For purposes of this Section 3.15, "present in person" shall mean that the stockholder proposing that the business be brought before the annual meeting of the corporation, or a qualified representative of such proposing stockholder proposing stockholder shall be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such stockholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders. Stockholders seeking to nominate persons for election to the Board of Directors must comply with Section 3.14 and Section 3.15 and this Section 3.15 shall not be applicable to nominations except as expressly provided in

In addition to any other applicable requirements(b) Without qualification, for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder, such the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof provide Timely Notice, in writing and in proper written form, and any updates or supplements to such notice at the Secretary of times and in the corporation.

To be timely, a stockholder's noticeforms required by this Section 3.15, to the Secretary of the corporation, which must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the Company corporation not earlier than one hundred and twenty (120) days and not later than ninety (90) days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or such public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs. For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any proposal or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving the appropriate notice as described above.

(c) To be in proper written form, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth as:

(i) As to each matter such stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting—(i) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the annual

meeting, (ii, as to each Proposing Person (A) the name and record address of such stockholder, Proposing Person (as defined below) (including, if applicable, the name and address that appear on the corporation's books and records) (iiiB) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the corporation that are owned beneficially or of record by such stockholder, (iv) a description of all arrangements or understandings between such stockholder and any other person or persons (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such business by such stockholder and any material interest of such stockholder in such business and (vProposing Person (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), except that such Proposing Person shall in all events be deemed to beneficially own any shares of any class or series of the corporation as to which such Proposing Person has a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) and (B) are referred to as "Stockholder Information"; and (C) a representation that such stockholder Proposing Person intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to bring such business before the meeting;

No business shall be conducted at the annual meeting of stockholders except business brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 3.15, provided, however, that, once business has been properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with such procedures, nothing in this Section 3.15 shall be deemed to preclude discussion by any stockholder of any such business. If the chairman of an annual meeting determines that

(ii) As to each Proposing Person, (A) the full notional amount of any securities that, directly or indirectly, underlie any "derivative security" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(c) under the Exchange Act) that constitutes a "call equivalent position" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(b) under the Exchange Act) ("Synthetic Equity Position") and that is, directly or indirectly, held or maintained by such Proposing Person with respect to any shares of any class or series of shares of the corporation; provided that, for the purposes of the definition of "Synthetic Equity Position," the term "derivative security" shall also include any security or instrument that would not otherwise constitute a "derivative security" as a result of any feature that would make any conversion, exercise or similar right or privilege of such security or instrument becoming determinable only at some future date or upon the happening of a future occurrence, in which case the determination of the amount of securities into which such security or instrument would be convertible or exercisable shall be made assuming that such security or instrument is immediately convertible or exercisable at the time of such determination; and provided, further, that any Proposing Person satisfying the requirements of Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act (other than a Proposing Person that so satisfies Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act solely by reason of Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)) shall not be deemed to hold or maintain the notional amount of any securities that underlie a Synthetic Equity Position held by such Proposing Person as a hedge with respect to a bona fide derivatives trade or position of such Proposing Person arising in the ordinary course of such Proposing Person's business as a derivatives dealer, (B) any rights to dividends on the shares of any class or series of shares of the corporation owned beneficially by such Proposing Person that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the corporation, (C) any material pending or threatened legal proceeding in which such Proposing Person is a party or material participant involving the corporation or any of its officers or directors, or any affiliate of the corporation, (D) any other material relationship between such Proposing Person, on the one hand, and the corporation or any affiliate of the corporation, on the other hand, (E) any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement of such Proposing Person with the corporation or any affiliate of the corporation (including, in any such case, any employment agreement, collective bargaining agreement or consulting agreement), (F) a representation that such Proposing Person intends or is part of a group which intends to deliver a proxy statement or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the corporation's outstanding capital stock required to approve or adopt the proposal or otherwise solicit proxies from stockholders in support of such proposal and (G) any other information relating to such Proposing Person that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filing required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies or consents by such Proposing Person in support of the business proposed to be brought before the meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) through (G) are referred to as "Disclosable Interests"); provided, however, that Disclosable Interests shall not include any such disclosures with respect to the ordinary course business activities of any broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee who is a Proposing Person solely as a result of being the stockholder directed to prepare and submit the notice required by these Bylaws on behalf of a beneficial owner; and

(iii) As to each item of business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting, (A) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting and any material interest in such business of each Proposing Person, (B) the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration and in the event that such business includes a proposal to amend the Bylaws, the language of the proposed amendment), (C) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (1) between or among any of the Proposing Persons or (2) between or among any Proposing Person and any other record or beneficial holder(s) or persons(s) who have a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future of the shares of any class or series of the corporation (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such business by such stockholder, and (D) any other information relating to such item of business that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filing required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies in support of the business proposed to be brought before the meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act; provided, however, that the disclosures required by this paragraph shall not include any disclosures with respect to any broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee who is a Proposing Person solely as a result of being the stockholder directed to prepare and submit the notice required by these Bylaws on behalf of a beneficial owner.

For purposes of this Section 3.15, the term "Proposing Person" shall mean (i) the stockholder providing the notice of business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the business proposed to be brought before the annual meeting is made, and (iii) any participant (as defined in paragraphs (a)(ii)-(vi) of Instruction 3 to Item 4 of Schedule 14A) with such stockholder in such solicitation.

(d) A Proposing Person shall update and supplement its notice to the corporation of its intent to propose business at an annual meeting, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Section 3.15 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any proposal or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.

(e) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, no business shall be conducted at an annual meeting that is not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 3.15. The presiding officer of the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that the business was not properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the chairmanthis Section 3.15, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare to the meeting that the business was and any such business not properly brought before the meeting and such business shall not be transacted.

(f) This Section 3.15 is expressly intended to apply to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting of stockholders other than any proposal made in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and included in the corporation's proxy statement. In addition to the requirements of this Section 3.15 with respect to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, each Proposing Person shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such business. Nothing in this Section 3.15 shall be deemed to affect the rights of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals in the corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

(g) For purposes of these Bylaws, "public disclosure" shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by a national news service or in a document publicly filed by the corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Sections 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

3.16 Requirements Director Candidates. To be eligible to be a candidate for election as a director of the corporation at an annual or special meeting, a candidate must be nominated in the manner prescribed in Section 3.14 and the candidate for nomination, whether nominated by the Board of Directors or by a stockholder of record, must have previously delivered (in accordance with the time period prescribed for delivery in a notice to such candidate given by or on behalf of the Board of Directors), to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation, (i) a completed written questionnaire (in the form provided by the corporation upon written request of any stockholder of record therefor) with respect to the background, qualifications, stock ownership and independence of such proposed nominee and (ii) a written representation and agreement (in the form provided by the corporation upon written request of any stockholder of record therefor) that such candidate for nomination (A) is not and, if elected as a director during his or her term of office, will not become a party to (1) any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given and will not give any commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such proposed nominee, if elected as a director of the corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting Commitment") or (2) any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with such proposed nominee's ability to comply, if elected as a director of the corporation, with such proposed nominee's fiduciary duties under applicable law, (B) is not, and will not become a party to, any agreement or understanding with any person or entity other than the corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation or reimbursement for service as a director of the corporation that has not been disclosed to the corporation, (C) if elected as a director of the corporation, will comply with all applicable corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality, st

The Board of Directors may also require any proposed candidate for nomination as a Director to furnish such other information as may reasonably be requested by the Board of Directors in writing prior to the meeting of stockholders at which such candidate's nomination is to be acted upon. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Board of Directors may request such other information in order for the Board of Directors to determine the eligibility of such candidate for nomination to be an independent director of the corporation or to comply with the Director qualification standards and additional selection criteria in accordance with the corporation's corporate governance guidelines or proxy statement. Such other information shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation (or any other office specified by the corporation in any public announcement) not later than five (5) business days after the request by the Board of Directors has been delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Nominating Person.

A candidate for nomination as a director shall further update and supplement the materials delivered pursuant to this Section 3.16, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided pursuant to this Section 3.16 shall be true and correct as of the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is

ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation (or any other office specified by the corporation in any public announcement) not later than five (5) business days after the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these Bylaws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a stockholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a stockholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any nomination or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding nominees, matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the stockholders.

No candidate shall be eligible for nomination as a director of the corporation unless such candidate for nomination and the Nominating Person seeking to place such candidate's name in nomination has complied with Section 3.14 and this Section 3.16, as applicable. The presiding officer at the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that a nomination was not properly made in accordance with Section 3.14 and this Section 3.16, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare such determination to the meeting, the defective nomination shall be disregarded and any ballots cast for the candidate in question (but in the case of any form of ballot listing other qualified nominees, only the ballots cast for the nominee in question) shall be void and of no force or effect.

Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, no candidate for nomination shall be eligible to be seated as a director of the corporation unless nominated and elected in accordance with Section 3.14 and this Section 3.16.

## IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 4.01. General Powers. The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.
- 4.02. Number, Tenure, and Qualification of Directors. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate, the authorized number of directors shall be not less than one nor more than twelve. The number of directors in office from time to time shall be within the limits specified above, as prescribed initially in the Certificate, or by the incorporator or incorporators of the corporation, or by the initial director or directors of the corporation and thereafter as prescribed from time to time by resolution adopted by either the stockholders or by the Board of Directors upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office. The Board of Directors, upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, shall have the power to increase or decrease its size within the aforesaid limits and to fill any vacancies that may occur in its membership, whether resulting from an increase in the size of the Board or otherwise. Each director shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation or removal. Unless required by the Certificate, directors do not need to be residents of the State of Delaware or stockholders of the corporation.
- 4.03. Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors. A regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors is to be held as soon as practicable after the adjournment of each annual meeting of the stockholders, either at the place of the stockholders meeting or at such other place as the directors elected at the stockholders meeting may have been informed of at or prior to the time of their election. Additional regular meetings may be held at regular intervals at such places and at such times as the Board of Directors may determine.
- 4.04. Special Meetings of the Board of Directors. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be held whenever and wherever called for by the Chairman of the Board, the Vice Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or the number of directors that would be required to constitute a quorum.
- 4.05. Notice of, and Waiver of Notice for, Directors Meetings. No notice need be given of regular meetings of the Board of Directors. Notice of the time and place (but not necessarily the purpose or all of the purposes) of any special meeting will be given to each director in person or by telephone, or via mail or facsimile transmission or electronic transmission (which shall include electronic e-mail via the internet). Notice to any director of any such special meeting will be deemed given sufficiently in advance when (i), if given by mail, the same is deposited in the United States mail at least four (4) days before the meeting date, with postage thereon prepaid, (ii), if given by facsimile or electronic transmission, the same is transmitted at least 24 hours prior to the convening of the meeting, or (iii), if personally delivered (including by overnight courier) or given by telephone, the same is handed, or the substance thereof is communicated over the telephone to the director or to an adult member of his or her office staff or household, at least 24 hours prior to the convening of the meeting. Any director may waive notice of any meeting and any adjournment thereof at any time before, during, or after it is held, as provided by law. Except as provided in the next sentence below, the waiver must be (a) in writing, signed by the director entitled to the notice, and filed with the minutes or corporate records, or (b) by electronic transmission identifying the party waiving notice, and printed out in paper form and filed with the minutes or corporate records. The attendance of a director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except when the person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

4.06. Director Quorum. A majority of the total number of directors then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, unless the Certificate requires a greater number.

- 4.07. Directors, Manner of Acting.
- (a) The affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors unless the Certificate or these Bylaws require a greater percentage and except as otherwise required by law.
- (b) Unless the Certificate provides otherwise, any or all directors may participate in a regular or special meeting by, or conduct the meeting through the use of, conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting may hear each other, in which case any required notice of such meeting may generally describe the arrangements (rather than or in addition to the place) for the holding thereof. A director participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.
- (c) A director who is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board of Directors when corporate action is taken is deemed to have assented to the action taken unless: (1) the director objects at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon his/her arrival) to holding it or transacting business at the meeting; or (2) his/her dissent or abstention from the action taken is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or (3) he/she delivers written notice of his/her dissent or abstention to the presiding officer of the meeting before its adjournment or to the corporation before 5:00 p.m. on the next business day after the meeting. The right of dissent or abstention is not available to a director who votes in favor of the action taken.
- 4.08. Director Action Without a Meeting. Unless the Certificate provides otherwise, any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors, or any committee thereof, at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if the action is taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors, or the committee, as the case may be, as evidenced by one (1) or more written consents, in writing or electronic transmission in compliance with law, describing the action taken, signed by each director and filed with the minutes or proceedings of the Board of Directors. Such filing shall be in paper form if the minutes are maintained in paper form and shall be in electronic form if the minutes are maintained in electronic form.
- 4.09. Removal of Directors by Stockholders. Except as limited by law, to the extent provided in the Certificate, any director or the entire Board of Directors may be removed, with or without cause, by the holders of two-thirds of the shares entitled to vote at an election of directors.
- 4.10. Board of Director Vacancies. Unless the Certificates provides otherwise and except as otherwise provided by law, any vacancy or newly created directorship may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director.
- 4.11. Director Compensation. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate, by resolution of the Board of Directors, each director may be paid his/her expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof, and may be paid a stated salary as director or a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof, or both. No such payment shall preclude any director from serving the corporation in any capacity and receiving compensation therefor.
- 4.12. Director Committees.
- (a) Creation of Committees. Unless the Certificate provides otherwise, the Board of Directors may create one (1) or more committees and appoint members of the Board of Directors to serve on them. Each committee shall have one (1) or more members, who serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.
- (b) Selection of Members. The creation of a committee and appointment of members to it shall be approved by the greater of (1) two-thirds of all the directors in office when the action is taken or (2) the number of directors required by the Certificate to take such action. The Board of Directors may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. In the absence or disqualification of any member of a committee, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he/she or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absent or disqualified member.
- (c) Required Procedures. Sections 4.03 through 4.08 of this Article IV, which govern meetings, action without meetings, notice and waiver of notice, and quorum and voting requirements of the Board of Directors, apply to committees and their members.
- (d) Authority. Unless limited by the Certificate and except to the extent limited by law, each committee may exercise those aspects of the authority of the Board of Directors which the Board of Directors confers upon such committee in the resolution creating the committee.
- 4.13. Director Resignations. Any director or committee member may resign from his or her office at any time by written notice delivered to the corporation as required by law. Any such resignation will be effective upon its receipt unless some later time is therein fixed, and then from that time. The acceptance of a resignation will not be required to make it effective.
- 4.14. Interested Directors. No contract or transaction between the corporation and one or more of its directors or officers, or between the corporation and any other corporation, partnership, association, or other organization in which one or more of its directors or officers are directors or officers, or have a financial interest, shall be void or voidable solely for this reason, or solely because the director or officer is present at or participates in the meeting of the Board of Directors or committee thereof which authorizes the contract or transaction, or solely because such director's vote is counted for such purpose if (i) the material facts as to such director's relationship or interest and as

to the contract or transaction are disclosed or are known to the Board of Directors or the committee, and the Board of Directors or committee in good faith authorizes the contract or transaction by the affirmative votes of a majority of the disinterested directors, even though the disinterested directors be less than a quorum; or (ii) the material facts as to such director's relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction are disclosed or are known to the stockholders entitled to vote thereon, and the contract or transaction is specifically approved in good faith by vote of the stockholders; or (iii) the contract or transaction is fair as to the corporation as of the time it is authorized, approved or ratified, by the Board of Directors, a committee thereof or the stockholders. Interested directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee which authorizes the contract or transaction.

# V. OFFICERS

- 5.01. Number of Officers. The officers of the corporation shall be a Chief Executive Officer, a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Directors. Such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary, including any Vice Presidents, may be appointed by the Board of Directors. If specifically authorized by the Board of Directors, an officer may appoint one (1) or more other officers or assistant officers. The same individual may simultaneously hold more than one (1) office in the corporation.
- 5.02. Appointment and Term of Office. The officers of the corporation shall be appointed by the Board of Directors for a term as determined by the Board of Directors. The designation of a specified term grants to the officer no contract rights, and the Board of Directors can remove the officer at any time prior to the termination of such term. If no term is specified, an officer of the corporation shall hold office until he or she resigns, dies, or until he or she is removed in the manner provided by law or in Section 5.03 of this Article V. The regular election or appointment of officers will take place at each annual meeting of the Board of Directors, but elections of officers may be held at any other meeting of the Board.
- 5.03. Resignation and Removal of Officers. An officer may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the corporation. A resignation is effective when the notice is delivered unless the notice specifies a later effective date or event. Any officer may be removed by the Board of Directors at any time, with or without cause. Such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Appointment of an officer shall not of itself create contract rights.
- 5.04. Duties of Officers. Officers of the corporation shall have authority to perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by law, in these Bylaws, or by the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, or the superior officer of any such officer. Each officer of the corporation (in the order designated herein or by the Board) will be vested with all of the powers and charged with all of the duties of his or her superior officer in the event of such superior officer's absence, death, or disability.
- 5.05. Bonds and Other Requirements. The Board of Directors may require any officer to give bond to the corporation (with sufficient surety and conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his or her office) and to comply with such other conditions as may from time to time be required of him or her by the Board of Directors.
- 5.06. Chief Executive Officer. Unless otherwise specified by resolution of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation and, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, shall supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the corporation and the performance by all of its other officers of their respective duties and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chief Executive Officer and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time. The Chief Executive Officer shall, when present, and in the absence of a Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board, preside at all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors. The Chief Executive Officer will be a proper officer to sign on behalf of the corporation any deed, bill of sale, assignment, option, mortgage, pledge, note, bond, evidence of indebtedness, application, consent (to service of process or otherwise), agreement, indenture, contract, or other instrument, except in each such case where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. The Chief Executive Officer may represent the corporation and any meeting of the stockholders or members of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, or other entity in which the corporation then holds shares of capital stock or has an interest, and may vote such shares of capital stock or other interest in person or by proxy appointed by him or her, provided that the Board of Directors may from time to time confer the foregoing authority upon any other person or persons.
- 5.07. The President. If appointed, the President shall have, subject to the control of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer, general and active supervision and direction over the business and affairs of the corporation and over its several officers. If appointed, in the absence of the Chief Executive Officer or in the event of his/her death or disability, the President shall perform the duties of the Chief Executive Officer, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Chief Executive Officer. The President will be a proper officer to sign on behalf of the corporation any deed, bill of sale, assignment, option, mortgage, pledge, note, bond, evidence of indebtedness, application, consent (to service of process or otherwise), agreement, indenture, contract, or other instrument, except in each such case where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. The President may represent the corporation at any meeting of the stockholders or members of any other corporation, association, partnership, joint venture, or other entity in which the corporation then holds shares of capital stock or has an interest, and may vote such shares of capital stock or other interest in person or by proxy appointed by him or her, provided that the Board of Directors may from time to time confer the foregoing authority upon any other person or persons. The President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or by the Board of Directors.

5.08. The Vice-President. If appointed, in the absence of the Chief Executive Officer and the President or in the event of their death or disability, the Vice-President (or in the event there be more than one Vice-President, the Vice-Presidents in the order designated by the Board of Directors from time to time, or in the absence of any such designation, then in the order of their appointment) shall perform the duties of the Chief Executive Officer, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Chief Executive Officer. If there is no Vice-President or in the event of the death or disability of all Vice-Presidents, then the Treasurer shall perform such duties of the President in the event of his or her absence, death, or disability. Each Vice-President will be a proper officer to sign on behalf of the corporation any deed, bill of sale, assignment, option, mortgage, pledge, note, bond, evidence of indebtedness, application, consent (to service of process or otherwise), agreement, indenture, contract, or other instrument, except in each such case where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. Any Vice-President may represent the corporation at any meeting of the stockholders or members of any other corporation, association, partnership, joint venture, or other entity in which the corporation then holds shares of capital stock or has an interest, and may vote such shares of capital stock or other interest in person or by proxy appointed by him or her, provided that the Board of Directors may from time to time confer the foregoing authority upon any other person or persons. A Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or the President or by the Board of Directors.

- 5.09. The Secretary. The Secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the stockholders and of Directors and any committee of the Board of Directors and all unanimous written consents of the stockholders, Board of Directors, and any committee of the Board of Directors in one (1) or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of any seal of the corporation; (d) when requested or required, authenticate any records of the corporation; (e) keep a register of the address of each stockholder which shall be furnished to the Secretary by such stockholder; and (f) in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or the President or by the Board of Directors. Except as may otherwise be specifically provided in a resolution of the Board of Directors, the Secretary will be a proper officer to take charge of the corporation's stock transfer books and to compile the voting record pursuant to Section 3.05 above, and to impress the corporation's seal, if any, on any instrument signed by the Chief Executive Officer, the President, any Vice President, or any other duly authorized person, and to attest to the same. In the absence of the Secretary, a secretary pro tempore may be chosen by the directors or stockholders as appropriate to perform the duties of the Secretary.
- 5.10. The Treasurer Shall: (a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; (b) receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such bank, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected by the Board of Directors or any proper officer; (c) keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books and records of the corporation; and (d) in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Chief Executive Officer or the President or by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer will render to the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the directors, and the stockholders at proper times an account of all his or her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the corporation. The Treasurer shall be responsible for preparing and filing such financial reports, financial statements, and returns as may be required by law.
- 5.11. Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers. The Assistant Secretaries and the Assistant Treasurers, when authorized by the Board of Directors, may sign with the Chief Executive Officer, the President or a Vice- President certificates for shares of the corporation, the issuance of which shall have been authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors. The Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Secretary or the Treasurer, respectively, or by the Chief Executive Officer, the President or the Board of Directors.
- 5.12. Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board. The Board of Directors may appoint a Chairman and a Vice Chairman of the Board. If appointed, the Chairman, and if not present, the Vice Chairman, will preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and be vested with such other powers and duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time delegate to him or her.
- 5.13. Salaries. Subject to the requirements of applicable law or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Nasdaq or any other exchange on which the corporation's securities are listed, the salaries of the officers of the corporation may be fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors or a committee thereof or (except as to the Chief Executive Officers' own) left to the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer. No officer will be prevented from receiving a salary by reason of the fact that he or she is also a director of the corporation.
- 5.14. Additional Appointments. In addition to the officers contemplated in this Article V, the Board of Directors may appoint other agents of the corporation with such authority to perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

# VI. CERTIFICATES FOR SHARES AND THEIR TRANSFER

- 6.01. Certificates for Shares.
- (a) Content. Certificates representing shares of the corporation shall, at a minimum, state on their face the name of the issuing corporation and that it is formed under the laws of the State of Delaware, the name of the person to whom issued, and the number and class of shares and the designation of the series, if any, the certificate represents. Such certificates shall be signed (either manually or by facsimile to the extent allowable by law) by any of the Chairman of the Board, the Vice Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, or any Vice-

President and by the Secretary or any assistant secretary or the Treasurer or any assistant treasurer of the corporation, and may be sealed with a corporate seal or a facsimile thereof. Each certificate for shares shall be consecutively numbered or otherwise identified and will exhibit such information as may be required by law. If a supply of unissued certificates bearing the facsimile signature of a person remains when that person ceases to hold the office of the corporation indicated on such certificates or ceases to be the transfer agent or registrar of the corporation, they may still be issued by the corporation and countersigned, registered, issued, and delivered by the corporation's transfer agent and/or registrar thereafter, as though such person had continued to hold the office indicated on such certificate.

- (b) Legend as to Class or Series. If the corporation is authorized to issue different classes of shares or different series within a class, the powers, designations, preferences, and relative, participating, optional, or other special rights applicable to each class or series and the qualifications, limitations, or restrictions of such preference and/or rights shall be set forth in full or summarized on the front or back of each certificate as required by law. Alternatively, each certificate may state on its front or back that the corporation will furnish a stockholder this information on request and without charge.
- (c) Stockholder List. The name and address of the person to whom shares are issued, with the number of shares and date of issue, shall be entered on the stock transfer books of the corporation.
- (d) Lost Certificates. In the event of the loss, theft, or destruction of any certificate representing shares of the corporation or of any predecessor corporation, the corporation may issue (or, in the case of any such shares as to which a transfer agent and/or registrar have been appointed, may direct such transfer agent and/or registrar to countersign, register, and issue) a new certificate, and cause the same to be delivered to the registered owner of the shares represented thereby; provided that such owner shall have submitted such evidence showing the circumstances of the alleged loss, theft, or destruction, and his, her, or its ownership of the certificate, as the corporation considers satisfactory, together with any other facts that the corporation considers pertinent; and further provided that, if so required by the corporation, the owner shall provide a bond or other indemnity in form and amount satisfactory to the corporation (and to its transfer agent and/or registrar, if applicable).
- 6.02. Registration of the Transfer of Shares. Registration of the transfer of shares of the corporation shall be made only on the stock transfer books of the corporation. In order to register a transfer, the record owner shall surrender the shares to the corporation for cancellation, properly endorsed by the appropriate person or persons with reasonable assurances that the endorsements are genuine and effective. Unless the corporation has established a procedure by which a beneficial owner of shares held by a nominee is to be recognized by the corporation as the owner, the corporation will be entitled to treat the registered owner of any share of the capital stock of the corporation as the absolute owner thereof and, accordingly, will not be bound to recognize any beneficial, equitable, or other claim to, or interest in, such share on the part of any other person, whether or not it has notice thereof, except as may expressly be provided by applicable law, including as may be contemplated by Title 6, Subtitle I, Article 8 of the Delaware code (or any comparable successor statutes), as in effect from time to time.
- 6.03. Shares Without Certificates. The Board of Directors may authorize the issuance of uncertificated shares by the corporation and may prescribe procedures for the issuance and registration of transfer thereof and with respect to such other matters as the Board of Directors shall deem necessary or appropriate.

# VII. DISTRIBUTIONS

7.01. Distributions. Subject to such restrictions or requirements as may be imposed by applicable law or the corporation's Certificate or as may otherwise be binding upon the corporation, the Board of Directors may from time to time declare, and the corporation may pay or make, dividends or other distributions to its stockholders.

### VIII. CORPORATE SEAL

8.01. Corporate Seal. The Board of Directors may provide for a corporate seal of the corporation that will have inscribed thereon any designation including the name of the corporation, Delaware as the state of incorporation, the year of incorporation, and the words "Corporate Seal."

# IX. AMENDMENTS

9.01. Amendments. If the Certificate so provides, the corporation's Board of Directors may amend or repeal the corporation's Bylaws unless the Certificate or the Delaware General Corporation Law reserve any particular exercise of this power exclusively to the stockholders in whole or part; provided, that any amendment of the corporation's Bylaws that revises the requirement in Section 4.02 and/or Section 4.12 for an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the corporation's directors then in office shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the corporation's directors then in office. The corporation's stockholders may amend or repeal the corporation's Bylaws by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the issued and outstanding capital stock of the corporation entitled to vote thereon, even though the Bylaws may also be amended or repealed by its Board of Directors.

# X. FORUM SELECTION

10.01. Forum Selection. Unless the corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, (a) the Court of Chancery (the "Chancery Court") of the State of Delaware (or, in the event that the Chancery Court does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware or other state courts of the State of Delaware) shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action, suit or proceeding brought on behalf of the corporation, (ii) any action, suit or proceeding asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or stockholder of the corporation to the corporation or to the

corporation's stockholders, (iii) any action, suit or proceeding arising pursuant to any provision of the Delaware General Corporation Law or the Certificate or these bylaws (as either may be amended from time to time) or (iv) any action, suit or proceeding asserting a claim against the corporation governed by the internal affairs doctrine; and (b) subject to the preceding provisions of this Article X, the federal district courts of the United States of America shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause or causes of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, including all causes of action asserted against any defendant to such complaint. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence is filed in a court other than the courts in the State of Delaware (a "Foreign Action") in the name of any stockholder, such stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to (x) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts in the State of Delaware in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce the provisions of clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence and (y) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such action by service upon such stockholder's counsel in the Foreign Action as agent for such stockholder.

Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any security of the corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to this Article X. This provision is intended to benefit and may be enforced by the corporation, its officers and directors, the underwriters to any offering giving rise to such complaint, and any other professional or entity whose profession gives authority to a statement made by that person or entity and who has prepared or certified any part of the documents underlying the offering. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Article X shall not apply to suits brought to enforce any liability or duty created by the Exchange Act, or any other claim for which the federal courts of the United States have exclusive jurisdiction.

If any provision or provisions of this Article X shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever, (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Article X (including, without limitation, each portion of any paragraph of this Article X containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the application of such provision to other persons or entities and circumstances shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.