UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 29, 2025



(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

\$0.001 par value per share

001-42509 (Commission File Number) 51-0323571 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1850 Towers Crescent Plaza
Tysons Corner, Virginia
(Address of principal executive offices)

22182 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (703) 848-8600

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

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which Registered
Class A common stock, \$0.001 par value per share	MSTR	The Nasdaq Global Select Market
8.00% Series A Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock,	STRK	The Nasdaq Global Select Market

10.00% Series A Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	STRF	The Nasdaq Global Select Market				
10.00% Series A Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	STRD	The Nasdaq Global Select Market				
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).						
Emerging growth company: □						
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.						

Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

On July 29, 2025, MicroStrategy Incorporated® d/b/a Strategy™ ("Strategy" or the "Company") completed an initial public offering (the "Offering") registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), of 28,011,111 shares of a new class of its capital stock titled "Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock" (the "STRC Stock"). The gross proceeds from the Offering was approximately \$2.521 billion. In connection with this issuance of STRC Stock, Strategy filed a Certificate of Designations (the "Certificate of Designations") with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware designating an aggregate of 28,011,111 shares of, and establishing the terms of, the STRC Stock.

The STRC Stock accumulates cumulative dividends ("regular dividends") at a variable rate (as described below) per annum on the stated amount of \$100 per share (the "stated amount") thereof. Regular dividends will be payable when, as and if declared by Strategy's board of directors ("Board") or any duly authorized committee thereof, out of funds legally available for their payment, monthly in arrears on the last calendar day of each calendar month, beginning on August 31, 2025. The initial monthly regular dividend rate per annum is 9.00%. However, Strategy has the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to adjust the monthly regular dividend rate per annum applicable to subsequent regular dividend periods. Strategy's right to adjust the monthly regular dividend rate per annum is subject to certain restrictions. For example, Strategy is not permitted to reduce the monthly regular dividend rate per annum that will apply to any regular dividend period (i) by more than the following amount from the monthly regular dividend rate per annum applicable to the prior regular dividend period: the sum of (1) 25 basis points; and (2) the excess, if any, of (x) the one-month term SOFR rate on the first business day of such prior regular dividend period, over (v) the minimum of the one-month term SOFR rates that occur on the business days during the period from, and including, the first business day of such prior regular dividend period to, and including, the last business day of such prior regular dividend period; or (ii) to a rate per annum that is less than the one-month term SOFR rate in effect on the business day before Strategy provides notice of the next monthly regular dividend rate per annum. In addition, Strategy is not entitled to elect to reduce the monthly regular dividend rate per annum unless all accumulated regular dividends, if any, on the STRC Stock then outstanding for all prior completed regular dividend periods, if any, have been paid in full. Strategy's current intention (which is subject to change in Strategy's sole and absolute discretion) is to adjust the monthly regular dividend rate per annum in such manner as Strategy believes will maintain the STRC Stock's trading price at or close to its stated amount of \$100 per share. Declared regular dividends on the STRC Stock will be payable solely in cash. In the event that any accumulated regular dividend on the STRC Stock is not paid on the applicable regular dividend payment date, then additional regular dividends ("compounded dividends") will accumulate on the amount of such unpaid regular dividend, compounded monthly on each subsequent regular dividend payment date at the monthly regular dividend rate per annum applicable to the relevant regular dividend period, from, and including, the calendar day after such regular dividend payment date to, and including, the date the same, including all compounded dividends thereon, is paid in full.

The STRC Stock has a par value of \$0.001 per share and initially has a liquidation preference of \$100 per share, subject to adjustment as set forth below (the "Liquidation Preference"). The STRC Stock ranks senior to Strategy's class A common stock, \$0.001 par value per share (the "Class A Common Stock"), class B common stock, \$0.001 par value per share (the "Class B Common Stock"), 8.00% Series A Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock (the "STRK Stock") and 10.00% Series A Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock (the "STRD Stock"), with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets upon Strategy's liquidation, dissolution or winding up. If Strategy liquidates, dissolves or winds up, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, then the holders of STRC Stock will be entitled to receive payment for the Liquidation Preference of, and all accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends and any compounded dividends on, their shares of STRC Stock out of Strategy's assets or funds legally available for distribution to its stockholders, before any such assets or funds are distributed to, or set aside for the benefit of, holders of the Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock, STRK Stock, STRD Stock or other junior stock. The STRC Stock is junior to Strategy's 10.00% Series A Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock (the "STRF Stock", and together with STRK Stock and STRD Stock, the "Preferred Stock") and Strategy's existing and future indebtedness, structurally junior to the liabilities of Strategy's subsidiaries and subject to the rights and preferences of any other class or series of preferred stock then outstanding.

The Liquidation Preference of the STRC Stock is initially \$100 per share. Effective immediately after the close of business on each business day after the initial issue date (and, if applicable, during the course of a business day on which any sale transaction to be settled by the issuance of STRC Stock is executed, from the exact time of the first such sale transaction during such business day until the close of business of such business day), the Liquidation Preference per share of STRC Stock will be adjusted to be the greatest of (i) the stated amount per share of STRC

Stock; (ii) in the case of any business day with respect to which Strategy has, on such business day or on any business day during the ten trading day period preceding such business day, executed any sale transaction to be settled by the issuance of STRC Stock, an amount equal to the last reported sale price per share of STRC Stock on the trading day immediately before such business day; and (iii) the arithmetic average of the last reported sale prices per share of STRC Stock for each trading day of the ten consecutive trading days (or, if applicable, the lesser number of trading days as have elapsed during the period from, and including, the initial issue date to, but excluding, such business day) immediately preceding such business day.

Strategy has the right, at its election, to redeem all, or any whole number of shares, of the outstanding STRC Stock, at any time, and from time to time, on a redemption date on or after the first date on which the STRC Stock is listed on any of The Nasdaq Global Market, The Nasdaq Global Select Market or The New York Stock Exchange (or any of their respective successors), at a cash redemption price per share of STRC Stock to be redeemed equal to \$101 (or such higher amount as may be chosen in Strategy's sole discretion, it being understood that such higher amount (or the formula to determine such higher amount) will be announced by prior public notice and/or set forth in the applicable relevant notice of redemption), plus accumulated and unpaid regular dividends, if any, thereon to, and including the redemption date. However, Strategy may not redeem less than all of the outstanding STRC Stock unless at least \$250.0 million aggregate stated amount of STRC Stock is outstanding and not called for redemption as of the time Strategy provides the related redemption notice. Strategy also has the right, at its election, to redeem all, but not less than all, of the STRC Stock, at any time, for cash if the total number of shares of all STRC Stock then outstanding is less than 25% of the total number of shares of STRC Stock originally issued in the offering and in any future offering, taken together (a "clean-up redemption"). In addition, Strategy has the right to redeem all, but not less than all, of the STRC Stock if certain tax events occur (a "tax redemption"). The redemption price for any STRC Stock to be redeemed pursuant to a clean-up redemption or a tax redemption will be a cash amount equal to the liquidation preference of the STRC Stock to be redeemed as of the business day before the date on which Strategy provides the related redemption notice, plus accumulated and unpaid regular dividends, to, and including, the redemption date.

If an event that constitutes a "Fundamental Change" under the Certificate of Designations governing the STRC Stock occurs, then, subject to certain limitations, holders of the STRC Stock will have the right to require Strategy to repurchase some or all of their shares of STRC Stock at a cash repurchase price equal to the stated amount of the STRC Stock to be repurchased, plus accumulated and unpaid regular dividends, if any, to, and including, the Fundamental Change repurchase date.

The STRC Stock has voting rights with respect to certain amendments to Strategy's certificate of incorporation or the Certificate of Designations, certain business combination transactions and certain other matters. However, holders of STRC Stock will not be entitled to vote with holders of Class A Common Stock on matters on which holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to vote.

The above description of the Certificate of Designations and the terms of the STRC Stock is a summary and is not complete. A copy of the Certificate of Designations and the form of the certificate representing the STRC Stock are filed as Exhibits 3.1 and 4.1, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K, and the above summary is qualified by reference to the terms of the Certificate of Designations and the STRC Stock set forth in such exhibits.

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws.

The information set forth above in this Current Report under Item 3.03 is incorporated by reference into this Item 5.03.

Additionally, to comply with certain technical requirements under the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"), on July 25, 2025, the Company filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "Delaware Secretary of State") Certificates of Increase for each series of the Company's Preferred Stock. These Certificates of Increase memorialize the authorization previously granted by the Board to increase the number of shares of each Preferred Stock available to be issued under each of the at-the-market offering programs for the Preferred Stock as follows:

- with respect to STRK Stock, from 7,300,000 shares to 269,800,000 shares, which increase was authorized by the Board on March 9, 2025;
- with respect to STRF Stock, from 8,500,000 shares to 33,200,000 shares, which increase was authorized by the Board on May 21, 2025;
 and
- with respect to STRD Stock, from 11,764,700 shares to 61,175,700 shares, which increase was authorized by the Board on July 6, 2025.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 29, 2025, Strategy issued a press release relating to the closing of the Offering. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference.

Neither this Current Report on Form 8-K nor the press release filed hereto constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the press release attached hereto about future expectations, plans, and prospects, as well as any other statements regarding matters that are not historical facts, may constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to the estimated net proceeds of the offering, the terms of the securities being offered, and the Company's intentions with respect to adjusting the STRC Stock monthly regular dividend rate per annum.

The words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "target," "will," "would," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including the uncertainties related to market conditions and the completion of the offering on the anticipated terms or at all, the uncertainties related to the satisfaction of closing conditions for the sale of the securities being offered, the other factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 5, 2025, the factors discussed under the header "Risk Factor Updates" in the Company's current report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 7, 2025, and the risks described in other filings that the Company may make with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Any forward-looking statements contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the press release attached hereto speak only as of the date hereof, and the Company specifically disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Certificate of Designations relating to the STRC Stock.
3.2	Certificate of Increase for STRK Stock.
3.3	Certificate of Increase for STRF Stock.
3.4	Certificate of Increase for STRD Stock.
4.1	Form of certificate representing the STRC Stock (included as Exhibit A to Exhibit 3.1).
5.1	Opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP.
23.1	Consent of Latham & Watkins LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
99.1	Press Release of MicroStrategy Incorporated, dated July 29, 2025.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 29, 2025 MicroStrategy Incorporated (Registrant)

By: /s/ W. Ming Shao

Name: W. Ming Shao

Title: Executive Vice President & General Counsel

MicroStrategy Incorporated

Certificate of Designations

Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock

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Certificate of Designations

Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock

On July 28, 2025, the Pricing Committee of the Board of Directors of MicroStrategy Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), pursuant to authority granted to it by the Board of Directors of the Company, adopted the following resolution designating and creating, out of the authorized and unissued shares of preferred stock of the Company, 28,011,111 authorized shares of a series of stock of the Company titled the "Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock":

RESOLVED that, pursuant to the Certificate of Incorporation (as defined below), the Bylaws (as defined below) and applicable law, a series of stock of the Company titled the "Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock," and having a par value of \$0.001 per share and an initial number of authorized shares equal to 28,011,111 is hereby designated and created out of the authorized and unissued shares of preferred stock of the Company, which series has the rights, preferences, voting powers and other provisions set forth below:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

- "Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Rule 144 under the Securities Act as in effect on the Initial Issue Date.
- "Board of Directors" means the Company's board of directors or a committee of such board duly authorized to act on behalf of such board.
- "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or any day on which the Federal Reserve Bank of New York is authorized or required by law or executive order to close or be closed.
 - "Bylaws" means the Company's Amended and Restated By-laws, as the same may be further amended, supplemented or restated.
- "Capital Stock" of any Person means any and all shares of, interests in, rights to purchase, warrants or options for, participations in, or other equivalents of, in each case however designated, the equity of such Person, but excluding any debt securities convertible into such equity.
 - "Certificate of Designations" means this Certificate of Designations, as amended or supplemented from time to time.
- "Certificate of Incorporation" means the Company's Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended and supplemented to date, and as the same may be further amended, supplemented or restated.
 - "Class A Common Stock" means the class A common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, of the Company.

- "Class B Common Stock" means the class B common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, of the Company.
- "Clean-Up Redemption" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(b).
- "Close of Business" means 5:00 p.m., New York City time.
- "Company" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Certificate of Designations.
- "Compounded Dividends" has the meaning set forth in Section 5(a)(i).
- "Depositary" means The Depository Trust Company or its successor, or any successor depositary for the applicable shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.
 - "Depositary Participant" means any member of, or participant in, the Depositary.
- "Depositary Procedures" means, with respect to any transfer, exchange or other transaction involving a Global Certificate representing any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, or any beneficial interest in such certificate, the rules and procedures of the Depositary applicable to such transfer, exchange or transaction.
- "Dividend Junior Stock" means any class or series of the Company's stock whose terms do not expressly provide that such class or series will rank senior to, or equally with, the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends (without regard to whether or not dividends accumulate cumulatively). Dividend Junior Stock includes the Class A Common Stock, the Class B Common Stock, the Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock and the Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock. For the avoidance of doubt, Dividend Junior Stock will not include any securities of the Company's Subsidiaries.
- "Dividend Parity Stock" means any class or series of the Company's stock (other than the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock) whose terms expressly provide that such class or series will rank equally with the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends (without regard to whether or not dividends accumulate cumulatively). For the avoidance of doubt, Dividend Parity Stock will not include any securities of the Company's Subsidiaries.
- "Dividend Senior Stock" means any class or series of the Company's stock whose terms expressly provide that such class or series will rank senior to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends (without regard to whether or not dividends accumulate cumulatively). Dividend Senior Stock includes the Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock. For the avoidance of doubt, Dividend Senior Stock will not include any securities of the Company's Subsidiaries.
- "Electronic Certificate" means any electronic book entry maintained by the Transfer Agent that represents any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.
 - "Exchange Act" means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Fundamental Change" means any of the following events:

(a) either (i) a "person" or "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than (w) the Company; (x) its Wholly Owned Subsidiaries; (y) any employee benefit plans of the Company or its Wholly Owned Subsidiaries; or (z) any Permitted Party), files any report with the SEC indicating that such person or group has become the direct or indirect "beneficial owner" (as defined below) of shares of the Company's common equity representing more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting power of all of the Company's common equity; or (ii) a "person" or "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than (w) the Company; (x) its Wholly Owned Subsidiaries; or (y) any employee benefit plans of the Company or its Wholly Owned Subsidiaries), files any report with the SEC indicating that such person or group has become the direct or indirect "beneficial owner" (as defined below) of shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock representing more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting power of all of the Company's Class A Common Stock, provided that, solely for purposes of this clause (ii), none of the following will constitute beneficial ownership of the Company's Class A Common Stock: (x) beneficial ownership of the Company's Class B Common Stock; and (y) beneficial ownership by any Permitted Party of any of the Company's Class A Common Stock issued upon conversion of the Company's Class B Common Stock; or

(b) the consummation of: (i) any sale, lease or other transfer, in one transaction or a series of transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any Person, other than solely to one or more of the Company's Wholly Owned Subsidiaries; or (ii) any transaction or series of related transactions in connection with which (whether by means of merger, consolidation, share exchange, combination, reclassification, recapitalization, acquisition, liquidation or otherwise) all of the Class A Common Stock is exchanged for, converted into, acquired for, or constitutes solely the right to receive, other securities, cash or other property; *provided*, *however*, that any merger, consolidation, share exchange or combination of the Company pursuant to which the persons that directly or indirectly "beneficially owned" (as defined below) all classes of the Company's common equity immediately before such transaction directly or indirectly "beneficially own," immediately after such transaction, more than fifty percent (50%) of all classes of common equity of the surviving, continuing or acquiring company or other transferee, as applicable, or the parent thereof, in substantially the same proportions vis-à-vis each other as immediately before such transaction will be deemed not to be a Fundamental Change pursuant to this **clause (b)**.

For the purposes of this definition, (x) any transaction or event described in both clause (a) and in clause (b)(i) or (ii) above (without regard to the proviso in clause (b)) will be deemed to occur solely pursuant to clause (b) above (subject to such proviso), and (y) whether a Person is a "beneficial owner," whether shares are "beneficially owned," and percentage beneficial ownership, will be determined in accordance with Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act.

"Fundamental Change Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 8(e).

"Fundamental Change Repurchase Date" means the date fixed, pursuant to Section 8(c), for the repurchase of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock by the Company pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change.

"Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice" means a notice (including a notice substantially in the form of the "Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice" set forth in Exhibit A) containing the information, or otherwise complying with the requirements, set forth in Section 8(f)(i) and Section 8(f)(ii).

"Fundamental Change Repurchase Price" means the cash price payable by the Company to repurchase any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock upon its Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change, calculated pursuant to **Section 8(d)**.

"Fundamental Change Repurchase Right" has the meaning set forth in Section 8(a).

"Global Certificate" means any certificate (including an Electronic Certificate, subject to Section 3(d)(iii)) that (a) represents any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock; (b) subject to Section 3(d)(i)(2), is substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A, registered in the name of the Depositary or its nominee, duly executed by the Company and countersigned by the Transfer Agent; and (c) is deposited with the Transfer Agent, as custodian for the Depositary (or, in the case of an Electronic Certificate, is otherwise admitted for book-entry settlement through the Depositary in accordance with the Depositary Procedures).

"Global Certificate Legend" means a legend substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit B.

"Holder" means any person in whose name any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is registered on the Registrar's books.

"Initial Issue Date" means July 29, 2025.

"Junior Stock" means any Dividend Junior Stock or Liquidation Junior Stock.

"Last Reported Sale Price" per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for any Trading Day means the closing sale price per share (or, if no closing sale price is reported, the average of the last bid price and the last ask price per share or, if more than one in either case, the average of the average last bid prices and the average last ask prices per share) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on such Trading Day as reported in composite transactions for the principal U.S. national or regional securities exchange on which the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is then listed. If the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is not listed on a U.S. national or regional securities exchange on such Trading Day, then the Last Reported Sale Price will be the last quoted bid price per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on such Trading Day in the over-the-counter market as reported by OTC Markets Group Inc. or a similar organization. If the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is not so quoted on such Trading Day, then the Last Reported Sale Price will be the mid-point of the last bid price and the last ask price per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on such Trading Day from a nationally recognized independent investment banking firm the Company selects, which may be any of the Underwriters (or, if no such last bid price or last ask price is available, the fair value of one share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on such Trading Day determined by a nationally recognized independent investment banking firm the Company selects, which may be any of the Underwriters).

"Liquidation Junior Stock" means any class or series of the Company's stock whose terms do not expressly provide that such class or series will rank senior to, or equally with, the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock with respect to the distribution of assets upon the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up. Liquidation Junior Stock includes the Class A Common Stock, the Class B Common Stock, the Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock and the Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock. For the avoidance of doubt, Liquidation Junior Stock will not include any securities of the Company's Subsidiaries.

"Liquidation Parity Stock" means any class or series of the Company's stock (other than the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock) whose terms expressly provide that such class or series will rank equally with the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock with respect to the distribution of assets upon the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up. For the avoidance of doubt, Liquidation Parity Stock will not include any securities of the Company's Subsidiaries.

"Liquidation Preference" initially means one hundred dollars (\$100) per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock; provided, however, that, effective immediately after the Close of Business on each Business Day after the Initial Issue Date (and, if applicable, during the course of a Business Day on which any sale transaction to be settled by the issuance of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is executed, from the exact time of the first such sale transaction during such Business Day until the Close of Business of such Business Day), the Liquidation Preference per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be adjusted to be the greatest of (a) the Stated Amount per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock; (b) in the case of any Business Day with respect to which the Company has, on such Business Day or any Business Day during the ten (10) Trading Day period preceding such Business Day, executed any sale transaction to be settled by the issuance of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, an amount equal to the Last Reported Sale Price per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on the Trading Day immediately before such Business Day; and (c) the arithmetic average of the Last Reported Sale Prices per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for each Trading Day of the ten (10) consecutive Trading Days immediately preceding such Business Day, provided, however, that, if applicable, the reference in this clause (c) to ten (10) will be replaced by such lesser number of Trading Days as have elapsed during the period from, and including, the Initial Issue Date to, but excluding, such Business Day. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding sentence, at all times before the first (1st) date on which the Company executes any sale transaction to be settled by the issuance of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (other than the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock initially issued on the Initial Issue Date), the Liquidation Preference per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be one hundred dollars (\$100). Whenever this Certificate of Designations refers to the Liquidation Preference of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock as of a particular date without setting forth a particular time on such date, such reference will be deemed to be to the Liquidation Preference immediately after the Close of Business on such date. For purposes of this definition, any reference to the Company's execution of any sale transaction to be settled by the issuance of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock includes any resale of any shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries have purchased or otherwise acquired.

"Liquidation Senior Stock" means any class or series of the Company's stock whose terms expressly provide that such class or series will rank senior to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock with respect to the distribution of assets upon the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up. Liquidation Senior Stock includes the Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock. For the avoidance of doubt, Liquidation Senior Stock will not include any securities of the Company's Subsidiaries.

"Market Disruption Event" means, with respect to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, on any date, the occurrence or existence, during the one-half hour period ending at the scheduled close of trading on such date on the principal U.S. national or regional securities exchange or other market on which the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is listed for trading or trades, of any material suspension or limitation imposed on trading (by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise) in the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock or in any options contracts or futures contracts relating to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.

"Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum" means (a) with respect to the Regular Dividend Period beginning on the Initial Issue Date, a rate per annum equal to nine percent (9.00%); and (b) with respect to each following Regular Dividend Period (each such Regular Dividend Period being referred to as the "Reference Regular Dividend Period" for purposes of this definition), the Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum will be the Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum applicable to the immediately preceding Regular Dividend Period, unless the Company elects, in its sole and absolute discretion, by providing notice of the same to Holders before the first Business Day of such Reference Regular Dividend Period, a different Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum to apply to such Reference Regular Dividend Period, provided such different Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum cannot be (i) negative; (ii) less than a rate per annum equal to the excess, if any, of (x) the Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum applicable to the Regular Dividend Period immediately preceding such Reference Regular Dividend Period, over (y) the sum of (A) twenty-five (25) basis points; and (B) the excess, if any, of (x) the Monthly SOFR Per Annum on the first Business Day of the Regular Dividend Period immediately preceding such Reference Regular Dividend Period, over (y) the minimum of the Monthly SOFR Per Annum rates that occur on the Business Days during the period from, and including, the first Business Day of the Regular Dividend Period immediately preceding such Reference Regular Dividend Period to, and including, the last Business Day of the Regular Dividend Period immediately preceding such Reference Regular Dividend Period; or (iii) less than the Monthly SOFR Per Annum as of the Business Day immediately before the date on which the Company provides such notice. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the Company will not be entitled to elect to reduce the Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum pursuant to clause (b) of the preceding sentence unless, at the time the Company provides the notice referred to in such clause, all accumulated Regular Dividends, if any, on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding for all prior completed Regular Dividend Periods, if any, have been paid in full (or have been declared in full and consideration in kind and amount that is sufficient, in accordance with this Certificate of Designations, to pay such accumulated Regular Dividends, is set aside for the benefit of the Holders entitled thereto). For the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of the preceding sentence, if such notice is sent on the last day of a Regular Dividend Period, then such Regular Dividend Period will not be considered to be "completed." Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the notice referred to in this definition must set forth the applicable Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum and the Regular Dividend Period to which it applies, and such notice

will be deemed to have been duly sent if either (a) it is sent in compliance with the provisions described in **Section 13**; or (b) the information required to be included in such notice is (i) set forth in a press release issued through such national newswire service as the Company then uses or (ii) published through such other widely disseminated public medium as the Company then uses, including its website.

"Monthly SOFR Per Annum" means, as of any Business Day, a rate per annum equal to the One-Month Term SOFR, as reflected on the related website of the administrator for term SOFR (which, as of July 24, 2025, is

https://www.cmegroup.com/market-data/cme-group-benchmark-administration/term-sofr.html) ("One-Month Term SOFR"); provided, however, that if the One-Month Term SOFR ceases to be administered and published as determined by the Company in its sole discretion, then the Company will, in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, identify a similar successor rate used in the market for floating rate securities, together, if applicable, with any adjustment thereto.

"Number of Incremental Diluted Shares" means the increase in the number of diluted shares of the applicable class or series of Junior Stock (determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, as the same is in effect on the Initial Issue Date, and assuming net income is positive) that would result from the grant, vesting or exercise of equity-based compensation to directors, employees, contractors and agents (subject to proportionate adjustment for stock dividends, stock splits or stock combinations with respect to such class or series of Junior Stock).

"Officer" means, with respect to the Company, the Executive Chairman, the President, the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Accounting Officer, the Treasurer, the Secretary, any Executive or Senior Vice President or any Vice President (whether or not designated by a number or numbers or word or words added before or after the title "Vice President").

"Optional Redemption" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(a).

"Paying Agent" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(g)(i).

"Permitted Party" means any "person" or "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) that consists of, or includes, Michael J. Saylor, the heirs of Michael J. Saylor, or any Affiliates of Michael J. Saylor or the heirs of Michael J. Saylor.

"Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(a).

"Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock" means the 10.00% Series A Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value per share, of the Company.

"Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock" means the 10.00% Series A Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value per share, of the Company.

"Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock" means the 8.00% Series A Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value per share, of the Company.

- "Person" or "person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or other agency or political subdivision thereof. Any division or series of a limited liability company, limited partnership or trust will constitute a separate "person" under this Certificate of Designations.
- "Physical Certificate" means any certificate (including an Electronic Certificate, subject to Section 3(d)(iii)) that (a) is not a Global Certificate; and (b) represents any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock; and (c) subject to Section 3(d)(i)(2), is substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A, registered in the name of the Holder of such share(s) and duly executed by the Company and countersigned by the Transfer Agent.
 - "Redemption" means, indistinctively, an Optional Redemption, Clean-Up Redemption or a Tax Redemption.
- "Redemption Date" means the date fixed, pursuant to Section 7(e), for the settlement of the repurchase of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock by the Company pursuant to a Redemption.
 - "Redemption Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(f).
- "Redemption Notice Date" means, with respect to a Redemption of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, the date on which the Company provides the related Redemption Notice pursuant to Section 7(f).
- "Redemption Price" means the consideration payable by the Company to repurchase any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock upon its Redemption, calculated pursuant to Section 7(d).
 - "Register" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(g)(ii).
 - "Registrar" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(g)(i).
- "Regular Dividend Payment Date" means, with respect to any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, the last calendar day of each calendar month, beginning on August 31, 2025 (or beginning on such other date specified in the certificate representing such share).
- "Regular Dividend Period" means each period from, and including, the calendar day after a Regular Dividend Payment Date (or, in the case of the first Regular Dividend Period, from, and including, the calendar day after the Initial Issue Date) to, and including, the next Regular Dividend Payment Date.
 - "Regular Dividends" has the meaning set forth in Section 5(a)(i).
- "Regular Record Date" means, with respect to any Regular Dividend Payment Date, the fifteenth (15th) calendar day of the month in which such Regular Dividend Payment Date occurs.

"Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change" means the repurchase of any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock by the Company pursuant to Section 8.

- "SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- "Share Agent" means the Transfer Agent or any Registrar or Paying Agent.
- "SOFR" means the secured overnight financing rate.
- "Stated Amount" means one hundred dollars (\$100) per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, (a) any corporation, association or other business entity (other than a partnership or limited liability company) of which more than fifty percent (50%) of the total voting power of the Capital Stock entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency, but after giving effect to any voting agreement or stockholders' agreement that effectively transfers voting power) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees, as applicable, of such corporation, association or other business entity is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of such Person; and (b) any partnership or limited liability company where (x) more than fifty percent (50%) of the capital accounts, distribution rights, equity and voting interests, or of the general and limited partnership interests, as applicable, of such partnership or limited liability company are owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of such Person, whether in the form of membership, general, special or limited partnership or limited liability company interests or otherwise; and (y) such Person or any one or more of the other Subsidiaries of such Person is a controlling general partner of, or otherwise controls, such partnership or limited liability company.

- A "Tax Event" will be deemed to occur if the Company has received an opinion of counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that, as a result of:
- (a) any amendment to, clarification of, or change, including any announced prospective change, in the laws or treaties of the United States or any of its political subdivisions or taxing authorities, or any regulations under those laws or treaties;
- (b) an administrative action, which means any judicial decision or any official administrative pronouncement, ruling, regulatory procedure, notice or announcement, including any notice or announcement of intent to issue or adopt any administrative pronouncement, ruling, regulatory procedure or regulation;
- (c) any amendment to, clarification of, or change in the official position or the interpretation of any administrative action or judicial decision or any interpretation or pronouncement that provides for a position with respect to an administrative action or judicial decision that differs from the previously generally accepted position, in each case by any legislative body, court, governmental authority or regulatory body, regardless of the time or manner in which that amendment, clarification or change is introduced or made known; or

(d) a threatened challenge asserted in writing in connection with a tax audit of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or a publicly known threatened challenge asserted in writing against any other taxpayer that has raised capital through the issuance of securities that are substantially similar to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock,

which amendment, clarification or change is effective or the administrative action is taken or judicial decision, interpretation or pronouncement is issued or threatened challenge is asserted or becomes publicly known after July 24, 2025, there is more than an insubstantial risk that any of the outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is treated as "fast-pay stock" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.7701(l)-3(b)(2) (or becomes subject to substantially similar successor provision).

"Tax Redemption" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(c).

"Trading Day" means, with respect to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, any day on which (a) trading in the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock generally occurs on the principal U.S. national or regional securities exchange on which the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is then listed or, if the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, as applicable, is not then listed on a U.S. national or regional securities exchange, on the principal other market on which the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is then traded; and (b) there is no Market Disruption Event. If the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is not so listed or traded, then "Trading Day" with respect to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock means a Business Day.

"Transfer Agent" means U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association or its successor as provided in Section 3(g)(iii).

"Underwriters" means Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, Barclays Capital Inc., Moelis & Company LLC, TD Securities (USA) LLC, The Benchmark Company, LLC, Clear Street LLC, AmeriVet Securities, Inc., Bancroft Capital, LLC, Keefe, Bruyette, & Woods, Inc. and Maxim Group LLC.

"Voting Parity Stock" means, with respect to any matter as to which Holders are entitled to vote pursuant to Section 9(a), each class or series of outstanding Dividend Parity Stock or Liquidation Parity Stock, if any, upon which similar voting rights are conferred and are exercisable with respect to such matter. For the avoidance of doubt, Voting Parity Stock will not include any securities of the Company's Subsidiaries.

"Wholly Owned Subsidiary" of a Person means any Subsidiary of such Person all of the outstanding Capital Stock or other ownership interests of which (other than directors' qualifying shares) are owned by such Person or one or more Wholly Owned Subsidiaries of such Person.

Section 2. RULES OF CONSTRUCTION. For purposes of this Certificate of Designations:

(a) "or" is not exclusive;

- (b) "including" means "including without limitation";
- (c) "will" expresses a command;
- (d) the "average" of a set of numerical values refers to the arithmetic average of such numerical values;
- (e) a merger involving, or a transfer of assets by, a limited liability company, limited partnership or trust will be deemed to include any division of or by, or an allocation of assets to a series of, such limited liability company, limited partnership or trust, or any unwinding of any such division or allocation;
 - (f) words in the singular include the plural, and words in the plural include the singular, unless the context requires otherwise;
- (g) "herein," "hereof" and other words of similar import refer to this Certificate of Designations as a whole and not to any particular Section or other subdivision of this Certificate of Designations, unless the context requires otherwise;
 - (h) references to currency mean the lawful currency of the United States of America, unless the context requires otherwise; and
 - (i) the exhibits, schedules and other attachments to this Certificate of Designations are deemed to form part of this Certificate of Designations.

Section 3. THE PERPETUAL STRETCH PREFERRED STOCK.

- (a) *Designation; Par Value.* A series of stock of the Company titled the "Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock" (the "Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock") is hereby designated and created out of the authorized and unissued shares of preferred stock of the Company. The par value of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is \$0.001 per share.
- (b) *Number of Authorized Shares*. The total authorized number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is twenty-eight million eleven thousand one hundred eleven (28,011,111); *provided*, *however* that, without the consent of any Holder or other Person, the total number of authorized shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock may, by resolution of the Board of Directors, hereafter be (i) reduced to a number that is not less than the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding; or (ii) increased, *provided*, that in no event will such increase be by an amount that exceeds the total number of authorized and undesignated shares of preferred stock of the Company.
- (c) Additional Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock. After the Initial Issue Date, the Company may, without the consent of any Holder, but subject to the provisions of this Certificate of Designations (including Section 3(e)), (i) originally issue additional shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock with the same terms as the other shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding (except, to the extent applicable, with respect to the date as of which Regular Dividends begin to accumulate on, the first Regular Dividend Payment Date for, and transfer

restrictions applicable to, such additional shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock), which additional shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will, subject to the foregoing, be considered to be part of the same series of, and rank equally and ratably with all other, shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock; or (ii) resell any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has purchased or otherwise acquired; *provided*, *however*, that if any such additional or resold shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock are not fungible with other shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding for purposes of federal securities laws or, if applicable, the Depositary Procedures, then such additional or resold shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be identified by a separate CUSIP number or by no CUSIP number. In addition, without the consent of any Holder, the Company may create and issue, or increase the authorized or issued number of, any other class or series of stock (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Dividend Senior Stock, Dividend Parity Stock, Liquidation Senior Stock or Liquidation Parity Stock), including Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock.

- (d) Form, Dating and Denominations.
 - (i) Form and Date of Certificates Representing Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.
 - (1) Generally. Each certificate representing any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will: (1) subject to **Section 3(d)(i)(2)**, be substantially in the form set forth in **Exhibit A**; (2) bear the legends required by **Section 3(h)** (and may bear notations, legends or endorsements required by law, stock exchange rule or usage or the Depositary); and (3) be dated as of the date it is countersigned by the Transfer Agent.
 - (2) Modifications to the Form of Certificates to Accommodate Issuance of Additional Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.

 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Certificate of Designations, if any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is originally issued after the Initial Issue Date pursuant to Section 3(c), then the certificate(s) representing such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock may contain deviations from the form set forth in Exhibit A that the Company in good faith determines are appropriate to permit the timely and orderly issuance thereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, issuances on a daily basis pursuant to an "at-the-market" or similar program) and to accommodate any reasonable requirements of the Transfer Agent in connection therewith.
- (ii) *Global Certificates; Physical Certificates*. Except as otherwise provided in the applicable resolutions of the Board of Directors providing for the original issuance of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be initially certificated and represented by one or more Global Certificates. Global Certificates may be exchanged for Physical Certificates, and Physical Certificates may be exchanged for Global Certificates, only as provided in **Section 3(i)**.

- (iii) Electronic Certificates; Interpretation. For purposes of interpreting this Certificate of Designations, (1) each Electronic Certificate will be deemed to include the text of, and to otherwise to be in, the form of Certificate set forth in Exhibit A (subject to Section 3(d)(i)(2)); (2) any legend, registration number or other notation that is required to be included on a Physical Certificate or Global Certificate will be deemed to be affixed to any Electronic Certificate notwithstanding that such Electronic Certificate may be in a form that does not permit affixing legends thereto; (3) any reference in this Certificate of Designations to the "delivery" of any Electronic Certificate will be deemed to be satisfied upon the registration (or delivery to the Transfer Agent of an instruction for the registration) of the electronic book entry representing such Electronic Certificate in the name of the applicable Holder; (4) any requirement to deliver or surrender an Electronic Certificate to the Paying Agent for settlement in connection with a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption will be deemed to be satisfied upon the satisfaction of all other requirements for such settlement; and (5) upon satisfaction of any applicable requirements of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Company, and any related requirements of the Transfer Agent, in each case for the issuance of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock in the form of one or more Electronic Certificates, such Electronic Certificates will be deemed to be executed by the Company and countersigned by the Transfer Agent.
- (iv) No Bearer Certificates; Denominations. The Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be issued only in registered form and only in whole numbers of shares.
- (v) Registration Numbers. Each certificate representing any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will bear a unique registration number that is not affixed to any other certificate representing any other outstanding share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.
- (e) Execution, Countersignature and Delivery.
- (i) Due Execution by the Company. Subject to Section 3(d)(iii), at least two (2) duly authorized Officers will sign each certificate representing any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on behalf of the Company by manual or facsimile signature. For the avoidance of doubt, facsimile signatures will include electronic signatures. The validity of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will not be affected by the failure of any Officer whose signature is on any certificate representing such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to hold, at the time such certificate is countersigned by the Transfer Agent, the same or any other office at the Company.
- (ii) Countersignature by Transfer Agent. Subject to Section 3(d)(iii), (1) no certificate representing Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be valid until it is countersigned by the Transfer Agent; and (2) each such certificate will be deemed to be duly countersigned only when an authorized signatory of the Transfer Agent (or a duly appointed agent thereof) manually signs the countersignature block set forth in such certificate.
- (f) Method of Payment; Delay When Payment Date is Not a Business Day.
 - (i) Method of Payment.

- (1) Global Certificates. The Company will pay (or cause a Paying Agent to pay) all declared cash Regular Dividends or other cash amounts due on any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Global Certificate by wire transfer of immediately available funds.
- (2) Physical Certificates. The Company will pay (or cause a Paying Agent to pay) all declared cash Regular Dividends or other cash amounts due on any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Physical Certificate as follows:
 - (A) if the aggregate Stated Amount of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Physical Certificate is at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000) (or such lower amount as the Company may choose in its sole and absolute discretion) and the Holder of such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock entitled to such cash Regular Dividend or amount has delivered to the Paying Agent, no later than the time set forth in the next sentence, a written request to receive payment by wire transfer to an account of such Holder within the United States, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to such account; and
 - (B) in all other cases, by check mailed to the address of such Holder set forth in the Register.

To be timely, such written request must be delivered no later than the Close of Business on the following date: (x) with respect to the payment of any declared cash Regular Dividend due on a Regular Dividend Payment Date for the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, the immediately preceding Regular Record Date; and (y) with respect to any other payment, the date that is fifteen (15) calendar days immediately before the date such payment is due.

- (ii) *Delay of Payment when Payment Date is Not a Business Day.* If the due date for a payment on any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock as provided in this Certificate of Designations is not a Business Day, then, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Certificate of Designations, such payment may be made on the immediately following Business Day with the same force and effect as if such payment were made on such due date (and, for the avoidance of doubt, no interest, dividend or other amount will accrue or accumulate on such payment as a result of the related delay). Solely for purposes of the immediately preceding sentence, a day on which the applicable place of payment is authorized or required by law or executive order to close or be closed will be deemed not to be a "Business Day."
- (g) Transfer Agent, Registrar and Paying Agent.
- (i) *Generally*. The Company will maintain (1) an office or agency in the continental United States where Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock may be presented for registration of transfer or for exchange (the "**Registrar**"); and (2) an office or agency in the continental United States where Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock may be presented for

payment (the "Paying Agent"). If the Company fails to maintain a Registrar or Paying Agent, then the Transfer Agent will act as such. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Registrar or Paying Agent. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 3(g)(ii) or in Section 3(g)(iii), each of the Transfer Agent, Registrar and Paying Agent with respect to any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Global Certificate must at all times be a Person that is eligible to act in that capacity under the Depositary Procedures.

- (ii) *Duties of the Registrar*. The Company will cause the Registrar to keep a record (the "**Register**") of the names and addresses of the Holders, the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock held by each Holder and the transfer, exchange, repurchase and Redemption of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock. Absent manifest error, the entries in the Register will be conclusive and the Company and the Transfer Agent may treat each Person whose name is recorded as a Holder in the Register as a Holder for all purposes. The Register will be in written form or in any form capable of being converted into written form reasonably promptly.
- (iii) Co-Agents; Company's Right to Appoint Successor Transfer Agent, Registrar and Paying Agent. The Company may appoint one or more co-Registrars and co-Paying Agents, each of whom will be deemed to be a Registrar or Paying Agent, as applicable, under this Certificate of Designations. Subject to Section 3(g)(i), the Company may change the Transfer Agent or any Registrar or Paying Agent (including appointing itself or any of its Subsidiaries to act as a Registrar or Paying Agent) without notice to any Holder; provided, however, that the Company will not remove a Person acting as Transfer Agent under this Certificate of Designations until and unless a successor has been appointed and has accepted such appointment. Upon the request of any Holder, the Company will notify such Holder of the name and address of each Share Agent or co-Share Agent.
- (iv) *Initial Appointments*. The Company appoints U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as the initial Transfer Agent, the initial Paying Agent and the initial Registrar.
- (v) Duties When the Company or its Subsidiary Acts as Paying Agent. If the Company or any of its Subsidiaries acts as Paying Agent, then (1) it will segregate for the benefit of the Holders all money and other property held by it as Paying Agent; and (2) references in this Certificate of Designations to the Paying Agent holding cash or other property, or to the delivery of cash or other property to the Paying Agent, in each case for payment or delivery to any Holders or with respect to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, will be deemed to refer to cash or other property so segregated, or to the segregation of such cash or other property, respectively.

(h) Legends.

(i) Global Certificate Legend. Each Global Certificate will bear the Global Certificate Legend (or any similar legend, not inconsistent with this Certificate of Designations, required by the Depositary for such Global Certificate).

- (ii) Other Legends. The certificate(s) representing any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock may bear any other legend or text, not inconsistent with this Certificate of Designations, as may be required by applicable law or by any securities exchange or automated quotation system on which such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is traded or quoted or as may be otherwise reasonably determined by the Company to be appropriate based on the advice of nationally recognized outside counsel.
- (iii) Acknowledgement and Agreement by the Holders. A Holder's acceptance of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a certificate bearing any legend required by this **Section 3(h)** will constitute such Holder's acknowledgement of, and agreement to comply with, the restrictions set forth in such legend.
- (i) Transfers and Exchanges; Transfer Taxes; Certain Transfer Restrictions..
 - (i) Provisions Applicable to All Transfers and Exchanges.
 - (1) Generally. Subject to this **Section 3(i)**, Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Physical Certificate, and beneficial interests in Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by Global Certificates, may be transferred or exchanged from time to time and, in the case of a Physical Certificate, the Company will cause the Registrar to record each such transfer or exchange in the Register.
 - (2) No Services Charge; Transfer Taxes. The Company and the Share Agents will not impose any service charge on any Holder for any transfer or exchange of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, but the Company, the Transfer Agent and the Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any transfer tax or similar governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, other than exchanges pursuant to Section 3(j) or Section 3(r) not involving any transfer.
 - (3) No Transfers or Exchanges of Fractional Shares. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Certificate of Designations, all transfers or exchanges of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock must be in an amount representing a whole number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, and no fractional share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock may be transferred or exchanged.
 - (4) Legends. Each certificate representing any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that is issued upon transfer of, or in exchange for, another share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will bear each legend, if any, required by **Section 3(h)**.
 - (5) Settlement of Transfers and Exchanges. Upon satisfaction of the requirements of this Certificate of Designations to effect a transfer or exchange of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, the Company will cause such transfer or exchange to be effected as soon as reasonably practicable after the date of such satisfaction.
 - (ii) Transfers and Exchanges of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock Represented by Global Certificates.

- (1) Subject to the immediately following sentence, no Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Global Certificate may be transferred or exchanged in whole except (x) by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary; (y) by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or to another nominee of the Depositary; or (z) by the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such successor Depositary. No Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Global Certificate may be transferred to, or exchanged for, Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by one or more Physical Certificates; *provided*, *however*, that a Global Certificate will be exchanged, pursuant to customary procedures, for one or more Physical Certificates if:
 - (A) (x) the Depositary notifies the Company or the Transfer Agent that the Depositary is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for such Global Certificate or (y) the Depositary ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act and, in each case, the Company fails to appoint a successor Depositary within ninety (90) days of such notice or cessation: or
 - (B) the Company, in its sole discretion, permits the exchange of any beneficial interest in such Global Certificate for Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by one or more Physical Certificates at the request of the owner of such beneficial interest.
- (2) Upon satisfaction of the requirements of this Certificate of Designations to effect a transfer or exchange of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Global Certificate:
 - (A) the Company will cause the Registrar to reflect any resulting decrease of the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Global Certificate by notation on the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Certificate" forming part of such Global Certificate (and, if such notation results in such Global Certificate representing zero shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, then the Company may (but is not required to) instruct the Transfer Agent to cancel such Global Certificate pursuant to Section 3(n));
 - (B) if required to effect such transfer or exchange, then the Company will cause the Registrar to reflect any resulting increase of the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by any other Global Certificate by notation on the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Certificate" forming part of such other Global Certificate;
 - (C) if required to effect such transfer or exchange, then the Company will issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with **Section 3(e)**, a new Global Certificate bearing each legend, if any, required by **Section 3(h)**; and

- (D) if the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Global Certificate, or any beneficial interest therein, is to be exchanged for Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by one or more Physical Certificates, then the Company will issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with Section 3(e), one or more Physical Certificates that (x) each represent a whole number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and, in the aggregate, represent a total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Global Certificate that are to be so exchanged; (y) are registered in such name(s) as the Depositary specifies (or as otherwise determined pursuant to customary procedures); and (z) bear each legend, if any, required by Section 3(h).
- (3) Each transfer or exchange of a beneficial interest in any Global Certificate will be made in accordance with the Depositary Procedures.
- (iii) Transfers and Exchanges of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock Represented by Physical Certificates.
- (1) Subject to this **Section 3(i)**, a Holder of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Physical Certificate may (x) transfer any whole number of shares of such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to one or more other Person(s); (y) exchange any whole number of shares of such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for an equal number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by one or more other Physical Certificates; and (z) if then permitted by the Depositary Procedures, transfer any whole number of shares of such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock in exchange for a beneficial interest in the same number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by one or more Global Certificates; *provided*, *however*, that, to effect any such transfer or exchange, such Holder must surrender such Physical Certificate representing the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be transferred or exchanged to the office of the Transfer Agent or the Registrar, together with any endorsements or transfer instruments reasonably required by the Company, the Transfer Agent or the Registrar.
- (2) Upon the satisfaction of the requirements of this Certificate of Designations to effect a transfer or exchange of any whole number of shares of a Holder's Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Physical Certificate (such Physical Certificate being referred to as the "old Physical Certificate" for purposes of this **Section 3(i)(iii)(2)**):
 - (A) such old Physical Certificate will be promptly cancelled pursuant to **Section 3(n)**;

(B) if only part of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such old Physical Certificate is to be so transferred or exchanged, then the Company will issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with **Section 3(e)**, one or more Physical Certificates that (x) each represent a whole number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and, in the aggregate, represent a total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such old Physical Certificate not to be so transferred or exchanged; (y) are registered in the name of such Holder; and (z) bear each legend, if any, required by **Section 3(h)**;

(C) in the case of a transfer:

- (I) to the Depositary or a nominee thereof that will hold its interest in the shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be so transferred in the form of one or more Global Certificates, the Company will cause the Registrar to reflect an increase in the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by one or more existing Global Certificates by notation on the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Certificate" forming part of such Global Certificate(s), which increase(s) are each in whole numbers of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and aggregate to the total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be so transferred, and which Global Certificate(s) bear each legend, if any, required by Section 3(h); provided, however, that if such transfer cannot be so effected by notation on one or more existing Global Certificates (whether because no Global Certificates bearing each legend, if any, required by Section 3(h) then exist, because any such increase will result in any Global Certificate representing a number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock exceeding the maximum number permitted by the Depositary or otherwise), then the Company will issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with Section 3(e), one or more Global Certificates that (x) each represent a whole number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and, in the aggregate, represent a total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that are to be so transferred but that are not effected by notation as provided above; and (y) bear each legend, if any, required by Section 3(h); and
- (II) to a transferee whose shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be so transferred will be represented by one or more Physical Certificates, the Company will issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in

accordance with **Section 3(e)**, one or more Physical Certificates that (x) each represent a whole number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and, in the aggregate, represent a total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be so transferred; (y) are registered in the name of such transferree; and (z) bear each legend, if any, required by **Section 3(h)**; and

- (D) in the case of an exchange, the Company will issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with **Section 3(e)**, one or more Physical Certificates that (x) each represent a whole number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and, in the aggregate, represent a total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be so exchanged; (y) are registered in the name of the Person to whom such old Physical Certificate was registered; and (z) bear each legend, if any, required by **Section 3(h)**.
- (iv) Transfers of Shares Subject to Redemption. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Certificate of Designations, the Company, the Transfer Agent and the Registrar will not be required to register the transfer of or exchange any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that has been called for Redemption pursuant to a Redemption Notice, except to the extent that the Company fails to pay the related Redemption Price when due.
- (j) Exchange and Cancellation of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to Be Repurchased Pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption.
 - (i) Cancellation of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock Repurchased Pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption.
 - (1) Physical Certificates. If a Holder's Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Physical Certificate (or any portion thereof that has not theretofore been exchanged pursuant to Section 3(j)(i) (such Physical Certificate being referred to as the "old Physical Certificate" for purposes of this Section 3(j)(i)(1)) is to be repurchased pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption, then, promptly after the later of the time such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is deemed to cease to be outstanding pursuant to Section 3(p) and the time such old Physical Certificate is surrendered for such repurchase, (A) such old Physical Certificate will be cancelled pursuant to Section 3(n); and (B) in the case of a repurchase, the Company will issue, execute and deliver to such Holder, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with Section 3(e), one or more Physical Certificates that (x) each represent a whole number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and, in the aggregate, represent a total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such old Physical Certificate that are not to be repurchased; (y) are registered in the name of such Holder; and (z) bear each legend, if any, required by Section 3(h).

- (2) Global Certificates. If a Holder's Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by a Global Certificate (or any portion thereof) is to be repurchased pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption, then, promptly after the time such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is deemed to cease to be outstanding pursuant to Section 3(p), the Company will cause the Registrar to reflect a decrease of the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Global Certificate in an amount equal to the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Global Certificate that are to be so converted or repurchased, as applicable, by notation on the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Certificate" forming part of such Global Certificate (and, if the number of shares represented by such Global Certificate is zero following such notation, cancel such Global Certificate pursuant to Section 3(n)).
- (k) Status of Retired Shares. Upon any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock ceasing to be outstanding, such share will be deemed to be retired and to resume the status of an authorized and unissued share of preferred stock of the Company.
- (l) Replacement Certificates. If a Holder of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock claims that the certificate(s) representing such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock have been mutilated, lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken, then the Company will issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with Section 3(e), a replacement certificate representing such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock upon surrender to the Company or the Transfer Agent of such mutilated certificate, or upon delivery to the Company or the Transfer Agent of evidence of such loss, destruction or wrongful taking reasonably satisfactory to the Transfer Agent and the Company. In the case of a lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken certificate representing any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, the Company and the Transfer Agent may require the Holder thereof to provide such security or indemnity that is reasonably satisfactory to the Company and the Transfer Agent to protect the Company and the Transfer Agent from any loss that any of them may suffer if such certificate is replaced.

Every replacement Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock issued pursuant to this Section 3(I) will, upon such replacement, be deemed to be outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, entitled to all of the benefits of this Certificate of Designations equally and ratably with all other Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding.

(m) Registered Holders; Certain Rights with Respect to Global Certificates. Only the Holder of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will have rights under this Certificate of Designations as the owner of such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Depositary Participants, as such, will have no rights under this Certificate of Designations with respect to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by any Global Certificate held on their behalf by the Depositary or its nominee, or by the Transfer Agent as its custodian, and the Company and the Share Agents, and their respective agents, may treat the Depositary as the absolute owner of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Global Certificate for all purposes whatsoever; provided, however, that (i) the Holder of any

Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by any Global Certificate may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any Person, including Depositary Participants and Persons that hold interests in Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock through Depositary Participants, to take any action that such Holder is entitled to take with respect to the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by such Global Certificate under this Certificate of Designations; and (ii) the Company and the Share Agents, and their respective agents, will use commercially reasonable efforts to give effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by the Depositary.

- (n) Cancellation. The Company may at any time deliver certificates representing Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to the Transfer Agent for cancellation. The Registrar and the Paying Agent will forward to the Transfer Agent any certificates representing each share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock duly surrendered to them for cancellation. The Company will cause the Transfer Agent to promptly cancel all certificates representing shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock so surrendered to it in accordance with its customary procedures.
- (o) Shares Held by the Company or its Affiliates. Without limiting the generality of Sections 3(p) and 3(q), in determining whether the Holders of the required number of outstanding shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (and, if applicable, Voting Parity Stock) have concurred in any direction, waiver or consent, or in determining whether the Holders of the required number of votes have voted to approve a matter (including by written consent) shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock owned by the Company or any of its Affiliates will be deemed not to be outstanding and will be deemed not to have any voting power.

(p) Outstanding Shares.

- (i) Generally. The shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that are outstanding at any time will be deemed to be those shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that, at such time, have been duly executed by the Company and countersigned by the Transfer Agent, excluding those shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (1) for which the certificates representing such shares have theretofore been (A) cancelled by the Transfer Agent or delivered to the Transfer Agent for cancellation in accordance with Section 3(n); (B) assigned a number of outstanding shares of zero by notation on the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Certificate" forming part of the Global Certificate representing such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock; or (2) that have theretofore been (A) paid or settled in full upon their repurchase pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption in accordance with this Certificate of Designations; or (B) deemed to cease to be outstanding to the extent provided in, and subject to, clause (ii) or (iii) of this Section 3(p).
- (ii) Replaced Certificates. If any certificate representing any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is replaced pursuant to Section 3(I), then such certificate will cease to be outstanding at the time of such replacement.
- (iii) Shares to Be Repurchased Pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption. If, on a Fundamental Change Repurchase Date or Redemption Date, the Paying Agent holds consideration in kind and amount that is sufficient to pay the aggregate Fundamental Change Repurchase Price or Redemption Price, as applicable, due

on such date, then (unless there occurs a default in the payment of the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price or Redemption Price, as applicable): (1) the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be repurchased pursuant to the related Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption, as applicable, on such date will be deemed, as of such date, to cease to be outstanding (without limiting the Company's obligations pursuant to Section 5(c)); and (2) the rights of the Holders of such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, as such, will terminate with respect to such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, other than the right to receive the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price or Redemption Price, as applicable, as provided in Section 7 or Section 8 (and, if applicable, declared Regular Dividends as provided in Section 5(c)).

- (q) Repurchases by the Company and its Subsidiaries. Without limiting the generality of **Section 3(n)**, subject to applicable law, the Company or its Subsidiaries may directly or indirectly repurchase Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock in the open market or otherwise, whether through private or public tender or exchange offers, cash-settled swaps or other cash-settled derivatives without delivering prior notice to Holders.
- (r) Notations and Exchanges. Without limiting any rights of Holders pursuant to Section 9, if any amendment, supplement or waiver to the Certificate of Incorporation or this Certificate of Designations changes the terms of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, then the Company may, in its discretion, require the Holder of the certificate representing such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to deliver such certificate to the Transfer Agent so that the Transfer Agent may place an appropriate notation prepared by the Company on such certificate and return such certificate to such Holder. Alternatively, at its discretion, the Company may, in exchange for such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, issue, execute and deliver, and cause the Transfer Agent to countersign, in each case in accordance with Section 3(e), a new certificate representing such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that reflects the changed terms. The failure to make any appropriate notation or issue a new certificate representing any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section 3(r) will not impair or affect the validity of such amendment, supplement or waiver.
- (s) CUSIP and ISIN Numbers. The Company may use one or more CUSIP or ISIN numbers to identify any of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, and, if so, the Company will use such CUSIP or ISIN number(s) in notices to Holders; provided, however, that the effectiveness of any such notice will not be affected by any defect in, or omission of, any such CUSIP or ISIN number(s).

Section 4. <u>RANKING</u>. The Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will rank (a) senior to (i) Dividend Junior Stock with respect to the payment of dividends; and (ii) Liquidation Junior Stock with respect to the distribution of assets upon the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up; (b) equally with (i) Dividend Parity Stock with respect to the payment of dividends; and (ii) Liquidation Parity Stock with respect to the distribution of assets upon the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up; and (c) junior to (i) Dividend Senior Stock with respect to the payment of dividends; and (ii) Liquidation Senior Stock with respect to the distribution of assets upon the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

Section 5. REGULAR DIVIDENDS.

(a) Generally.

(i) Accumulation and Payment of Regular Dividends. The Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will accumulate cumulative dividends ("Regular Dividends") at the rate per annum referred to below on the Stated Amount thereof (and, to the extent described in the fifth sentence of this Section 5(a)(i), on unpaid Regular Dividends thereon), regardless of whether or not declared or funds are legally available for their payment. Subject to the other provisions of this Section 5, such Regular Dividends will be payable when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available for their payment, monthly in arrears on each Regular Dividend Payment Date to the Holders of record as of the Close of Business on the Regular Record Date immediately preceding the applicable Regular Dividend Payment Date. The rate per annum at which Regular Dividends accumulate on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for any Regular Dividend Period will be the Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum for such Regular Dividend Period. Subject to limited exceptions for the first Regular Dividend payment on any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock issued in an "at-the-market" or similar offering after the Initial Issue Date, Regular Dividends have been paid (or, if no Regular Dividends have been paid, from, and including, the calendar day after the Initial Issue Date (in the case of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock issued on the Initial Issue Date) or as otherwise provided pursuant to Section 3(c) or in the certificate(s) representing the applicable Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (in the case of any other Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock)) to, and including, the next Regular Dividend Payment Date.

If any accumulated Regular Dividend (or any portion thereof) on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is not paid on the applicable Regular Dividend Payment Date (or, if such Regular Dividend Payment Date is not a Business Day), the next Business Day), then additional Regular Dividends ("Compounded Dividends") will accumulate on the amount of such unpaid Regular Dividend, compounded monthly on each subsequent Regular Dividend Payment Date at the Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum applicable to the Relevant Regular Dividend Period, from, and including, the calendar day after such Regular Dividend Payment Date to, and including, the date the same, including all Compounded Dividends thereon, is paid in full. Each reference in this Certificate of Designations to accumulated or unpaid Regular Dividends will include any Compounded Dividends that accumulate thereon pursuant to the previous sentence. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Certificate of Designations will require the Company or the Board of Directors to declare and pay Regular Dividends, regardless of whether funds are legally available for their payment, and Regular Dividends, if any, will be paid when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, out of funds legally available for their payment.

(ii) Computation of Accumulated Regular Dividends. Accumulated Regular Dividends will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

- (iii) Priority of the Application of Regular Dividend Payments to Arrearages. Each payment of declared Regular Dividends on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be applied to the earliest Regular Dividend Period for which Regular Dividends have not yet been paid.
- (b) Method of Payment. Each declared Regular Dividend on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be paid in cash.
- (c) Treatment of Regular Dividends Upon Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption. If the Fundamental Change Repurchase Date or Redemption Date of any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be converted or repurchased pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change or Redemption is after a Regular Record Date for a declared Regular Dividend on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and on or before the next Regular Dividend Payment Date, then the Holder of such share at the Close of Business on such Regular Record Date will be entitled, notwithstanding such repurchase, as applicable, to receive, on or, at the Company's election, before such Regular Dividend Payment Date, such declared Regular Dividend on such share.

Except as provided in the preceding paragraph, Regular Dividends on any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will cease to accumulate after the Fundamental Change Repurchase Date or Redemption Date, as applicable, for such share.

- (d) Priority of Dividends; Limitation on Junior and Parity Payments; No Participation Rights.
- (i) Generally. Except as provided in Sections 5(d)(iii) and 5(d)(iv), this Certificate of Designations will not prohibit or restrict the Company or the Board of Directors from declaring or paying any dividend or distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property, or any combination of the foregoing) on any class or series of the Company's stock, and, unless such dividend or distribution is also declared on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will not be entitled to participate in such dividend or distribution.
- (ii) Construction. For purposes of Sections 5(d)(iii) and 5(d)(iv), a Regular Dividend on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be deemed to have been paid if such Regular Dividend is declared and consideration in kind and amount that is sufficient, in accordance with this Certificate of Designations, to pay such Regular Dividend is set aside for the benefit of the Holders entitled thereto.
- (iii) Limitation on Dividends on Parity Stock. If less than all accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends on the outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock have been declared and paid as of any Regular Dividend Payment Date, then, until and unless all accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends on the outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock have been paid, no dividends may be declared or paid on any class or series of Dividend Parity Stock unless Regular Dividends are simultaneously declared on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on a pro rata basis, such that (A) the ratio of (x) the dollar amount of Regular Dividends so declared per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to

- (y) the dollar amount of the total accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock immediately before the payment of such Regular Dividend is no less than (B) the ratio of (x) the dollar amount of dividends so declared or paid per share of such class or series of Dividend Parity Stock to (y) the dollar amount of the total accumulated and unpaid dividends per share of such class or series of Dividend Parity Stock immediately before the payment of such dividend (which dollar amount in this **clause (y)** will, if dividends on such class or series of Dividend Parity Stock are not cumulative, be the full amount of dividends per share thereof in respect of the most recent dividend period thereof).
- (iv) Limitation on Certain Payments. Subject to the next sentence, if any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is outstanding, then no dividends or distributions (whether in cash, securities or other property, or any combination of the foregoing) will be declared or paid on any Junior Stock, and neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries will purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire for value (whether in cash, securities or other property, or any combination of the foregoing) any Junior Stock or Dividend Parity Stock, in each case unless all accumulated Regular Dividends, if any, on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding for all prior completed Regular Dividend Periods, if any, have been paid in full. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding sentence, the restrictions set forth in the preceding sentence will not apply to the following:
 - (1) dividends and distributions on Junior Stock that are payable solely in shares of Junior Stock, together with cash in lieu of any fractional share;
 - (2) the purchase of any Junior Stock or Dividend Parity Stock solely with the proceeds of a substantially simultaneous sale of other Junior Stock:
 - (3) purchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of Junior Stock in connection with the administration of any benefit or other incentive plan of the Company (including any employment contract) in the ordinary course of business, including (x) the forfeiture of unvested shares of restricted stock, or any withholdings (including withholdings effected by a repurchase or similar transaction), or other surrender, of shares that would otherwise be deliverable upon exercise, delivery or vesting of equity awards under any such plan or contract, in each case whether for payment of applicable taxes or the exercise price, or otherwise; (y) cash paid in connection therewith in lieu of issuing any fractional share; and (z) purchases of Junior Stock pursuant to a publicly announced repurchase plan to offset the dilution resulting from issuances pursuant to any such plan or contract; *provided*, *however*, that repurchases pursuant to this **clause** (z) will be permitted pursuant to this **Section 5(d)(iv)(3)** only to the extent the number of shares of Junior Stock so repurchased does not exceed the related Number of Incremental Diluted Shares;
 - (4) purchases, or other payments in lieu of the issuance, of any fractional share of Junior Stock in connection with the conversion, exercise or exchange of such Junior Stock or of any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, Junior Stock;

- (5) purchases, or other payments in lieu of the issuance, of any fractional share of Dividend Parity Stock in connection with the conversion, exercise or exchange of such Dividend Parity Stock or of any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, Dividend Parity Stock;
- (6) (x) dividends and distributions of Junior Stock, or rights to acquire Junior Stock, pursuant to a stockholder rights plan; and (y) the redemption or repurchase of such rights pursuant to such stockholder rights plan;
- (7) purchases of Junior Stock or Dividend Parity Stock pursuant to a binding contract (including a stock repurchase plan) to make such purchases, if such contract was in effect on the immediately preceding Regular Dividend Payment Date and such purchases, if effected immediately before such Regular Dividend Payment Date, would not have been prohibited by the first sentence of this Section 5(d)(iv);
- (8) the settlement of any convertible note hedge transactions, capped call transactions or similar transactions entered into in connection with the issuance, by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, of any debt securities that are convertible into, or exchangeable for, Class A Common Stock (or into or for any combination of cash and Class A Common Stock based on the value of the Class A Common Stock) or Class B Common Stock (or into or for any combination of cash and Class B Common Stock based on the value of the Class B Common Stock), *provided* such transactions are on customary terms and were entered into either (x) before the Initial Issue Date or (y) in compliance with the first sentence of this **Section 5(d)(iv)**;
- (9) the acquisition, by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, of record ownership of any Junior Stock or Dividend Parity Stock solely on behalf of Persons (other than the Company or any of its Subsidiaries) that are the beneficial owners thereof, including as trustee or custodian (or as a result of the Company's acquisition of another Person that was, immediately before such acquisition, the record or beneficial owner of such Junior Stock or Dividend Parity Stock as applicable, *provided* such record or beneficial ownership was not obtained in anticipation of such acquisition);
- (10) the exchange, conversion or reclassification of Dividend Parity Stock solely for or into Junior Stock or other Dividend Parity Stock, together with the payment, in connection therewith, of cash in lieu of any fractional share; and
- (11) the exchange, conversion or reclassification of Junior Stock solely for or into other Junior Stock, together with the payment, in connection therewith, of cash in lieu of any fractional share.

For the avoidance of doubt, this **Section 5(d)(iv)** will not prohibit or restrict the payment or other acquisition for value of any debt securities that are convertible into, or exchangeable for, any Capital Stock.

Section 6. RIGHTS UPON LIQUIDATION, DISSOLUTION OR WINDING UP.

- (a) *Generally*. If the Company liquidates, dissolves or winds up, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, then, subject to the rights of any of the Company's creditors, each share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will entitle the Holder thereof to receive payment for the following amount out of the Company's assets or funds legally available for distribution to the Company's stockholders, before any such assets or funds are distributed to, or set aside for the benefit of, any Liquidation Junior Stock:
 - (i) the Liquidation Preference per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock as of the Business Day immediately before the date of such payment; and
 - (ii) all accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends (plus Compounded Dividends thereon), if any, that will have accumulated on such share to, and including, the date of such payment.

Upon payment of such amount in full on the outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, Holders of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will have no rights to the Company's remaining assets or funds, if any. If such assets or funds are insufficient to fully pay such amount on all outstanding shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and the corresponding amounts payable in respect of all outstanding shares of Liquidation Parity Stock, if any, then, subject to the rights of any of the Company's creditors or holders of any outstanding Liquidation Senior Stock, such assets or funds will be distributed ratably on the outstanding shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and Liquidation Parity Stock in proportion to the full respective distributions to which such shares would otherwise be entitled.

(b) Certain Business Combination Transactions Deemed Not to Be a Liquidation. For purposes of Section 6(a), the Company's consolidation or combination with, or merger with or into, or the sale, lease or other transfer of all or substantially all of the Company's assets (other than a sale, lease or other transfer in connection with the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to, another Person will not, in itself, constitute the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up, even if, in connection therewith, the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is converted into, or is exchanged for, or represents solely the right to receive, other securities, cash or other property, or any combination of the foregoing.

Section 7. RIGHT OF THE COMPANY TO REDEEM THE PERPETUAL STRETCH PREFERRED STOCK.

(a) Optional Redemption. Subject to the terms of this Section 7, the Company has the right, at its election, to redeem (an "Optional Redemption") all, or any whole number of shares, of the outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, at any time, and from time to time, on a Redemption Date on or after the first date on which the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is listed on any of The Nasdaq Global Market, The Nasdaq Global Select Market or The New York Stock Exchange (or any of their respective successors) for a cash purchase price equal to the Redemption Price; provided, however, that the Company will not redeem less than all of the outstanding shares of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for Redemption unless at least two hundred fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000) aggregate Stated Amount of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is outstanding and not called for Redemption as of the time the Company provides the related Redemption Notice.

If less than all Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding are called for Optional Redemption, then the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be redeemed will be selected by the Company as follows: (i) in the case of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by Global Certificate(s), in accordance with the Depositary Procedures; and (ii) in the case of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by Physical Certificates, pro rata, by lot or by such other method the Company considers fair and appropriate.

- (b) Clean-Up Redemption. Subject to the terms of this **Section 7**, the Company has the right, at its election, to redeem (an "**Clean-Up Redemption**") all, but not less than all, of the outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, for a cash purchase price equal to the Redemption Price, at any time if the total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding is less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of shares of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock originally issued on the Initial Issue Date and in any future offering of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, taken together.
- (c) Tax Redemption. Subject to the terms of this Section 7, the Company has the right, at its election, to redeem (a "Tax Redemption") all, and not less than all, of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, at any time, for a cash purchase price equal to the Redemption Price, if a Tax Event occurs.
- (d) *Redemption Price*. The Redemption Price per share of Perpetual Preferred Stock called for either Optional Redemption, Clean-Up Redemption or Tax Redemption will be an amount equal to (1) either (A) in the case of an Optional Redemption, one hundred one dollars (\$101.00) (or such higher amount as may be chosen in the Company's sole discretion, it being understood that such higher amount (or the formula to determine such higher amount) will be announced by prior public notice and/or set forth in the applicable relevant Redemption Notice); or (B) in the case of a Clean-Up Redemption or Tax Redemption, the Liquidation Preference of such share as of the Business Day before the date the Company provides the related Redemption Notice, plus, in each case, (2) accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends (plus, if applicable, Compounded Dividends thereon) on such share to, and including, the Redemption Date; *provided*, *however*, if the Redemption Date is after a Regular Record Date for a declared Regular Dividend on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and on or before the next Regular Dividend Payment Date, then (x) the Holder of such share at the Close of Business on such Regular Record Date will be entitled, notwithstanding such Redemption, to receive, on or, at the Company's election, before such Regular Dividend Payment Date, such declared Regular Dividend on such share; and (y) the amount referred to in **clause (2)** hereof will instead be the excess, if any, of (I) the accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends on such share to, and including, such Redemption Date over (II) the amount of such declared Regular Dividend on such share.
- (e) *Redemption Date*. The Redemption Date will be a Business Day of the Company's choosing that is no more than sixty (60) calendar days, nor less than three (3) Business Days, after the Redemption Notice Date. In the case of an Optional Redemption, the Redemption Date must be on or after the first date on which the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is listed on any of The Nasdaq Global Market, The Nasdaq Global Select Market or The New York Stock Exchange (or any of their respective successors).

(f) *Redemption Notice*. To exercise the Company's right to redeem the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock pursuant to a Redemption, the Company must provide notice of such Redemption to each Holder (the "Redemption Notice").

Such Redemption Notice must state:

- (i) that the Company has exercised its right to call all, or any whole number of shares, as applicable, of the outstanding Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for Redemption, briefly describing the Company's Redemption right under this Certificate of Designations;
 - (ii) the Redemption Date;
 - (iii) a brief description of the manner in which the Redemption Price will be calculated;
- (iv) if the Redemption Date is after a Regular Record Date for a declared Regular Dividend on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and on or before the next Regular Dividend Payment Date, that such Regular Dividend will be paid in accordance with **Section 5(c)**;
 - (v) the name and address of the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent; and
 - (vi) the CUSIP and ISIN numbers, if any, of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.
- (g) Repurchases or Other Acquisitions Other Than by Redemption Not Affected. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Section 7 will limit or otherwise apply to any repurchase or other acquisition, by the Company or its Affiliates, or any other Person, of any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock not by Redemption (including in open market transactions, private or public tender or exchange offers or otherwise).

Section 8. <u>RIGHT OF HOLDERS TO REQUIRE THE COMPANY TO REPURCHASE PERPETUAL STRETCH PREFERRED STOCK UPON A FUNDAMENTAL</u> CHANGE.

(a) Fundamental Change Repurchase Right. Subject to the other terms of this Section 8, if a Fundamental Change occurs, then each Holder will have the right (the "Fundamental Change Repurchase Right") to require the Company to repurchase some or all of such Holder's Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on the Fundamental Change Repurchase Date for such Fundamental Change for a cash purchase price equal to the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Certificate of Designations, in no event will any Holder be entitled to exercise its Fundamental Change Repurchase Right in respect of a number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that is not a whole number.

- (b) Funds Legally Available for Payment of Fundamental Change Repurchase Price; Covenant Not to Take Certain Actions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 8, (i) the Company will not be obligated to pay the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price of any shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to the extent, and only to the extent, the Company does not have sufficient funds legally available to pay the same; and (ii) if the Company does not have sufficient funds legally available to pay the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price of all shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that are otherwise to be repurchased pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change, then (1) the Company will pay the maximum amount of such Fundamental Change Repurchase Price that can be paid out of funds legally available for payment, which payment will be made pro rata to each Holder based on the total number of whole shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock of such Holder that were otherwise to be repurchased pursuant to such Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change; and (2) the Company will cause all such shares as to which the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price was not paid to be returned to the Holder(s) thereof, and such shares will be deemed to remain outstanding. The Company will not voluntarily take any action, or voluntarily engage in any transaction, that would result in a Fundamental Change unless the Company has sufficient funds legally available to fully pay the maximum aggregate Fundamental Change Repurchase Price that would be payable in respect of such Fundamental Change on all shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding.
- (c) Fundamental Change Repurchase Date. The Fundamental Change Repurchase Date for any Fundamental Change will be a Business Day of the Company's choosing that is no more than thirty five (35), nor less than twenty (20), Business Days after the date the Company provides the related Fundamental Change Notice pursuant to **Section 8(e)**.
- (d) Fundamental Change Repurchase Price. The Fundamental Change Repurchase Price for a share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be repurchased upon a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change following a Fundamental Change will be an amount in cash equal to (i) the Stated Amount of such share plus (ii) accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends on such share to, and including, the Fundamental Change Repurchase Date for such Fundamental Change; provided, however, that if such Fundamental Change Repurchase Date is after a Regular Record Date for a declared Regular Dividend on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and on or before the next Regular Dividend Payment Date, then (x) pursuant to Section 5(c), the Holder of such share at the Close of Business on such Regular Record Date will be entitled, notwithstanding such Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change, to receive, on or, at the Company's election, before such Regular Dividend Payment Date, such declared Regular Dividend on such share; and (y) the amount referred to in clause (ii) above will instead be the excess, if any, of (1) the accumulated and unpaid Regular Dividends on such share to, and including such Fundamental Change Repurchase Date over (2) the amount of such declared Regular Dividend on such share.
- (e) Fundamental Change Notice. On or before the twentieth (20th) calendar day after the effective date of a Fundamental Change, the Company will provide to each Holder a notice of such Fundamental Change (a "Fundamental Change Notice"). Such Fundamental Change Notice must state:
 - (i) briefly, the events causing such Fundamental Change;
 - (ii) the effective date of such Fundamental Change;

- (iii) the procedures that a Holder must follow to require the Company to repurchase its Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock pursuant to this **Section 8**, including the deadline for exercising the Fundamental Change Repurchase Right and the procedures for submitting and withdrawing a Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice;
 - (iv) the Fundamental Change Repurchase Date for such Fundamental Change;
 - (v) a brief description of the manner in which the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price will be calculated;
- (vi) if the Fundamental Change Repurchase Date is after a Regular Record Date for a declared Regular Dividend on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and on or before the next Regular Dividend Payment Date, that such Regular Dividend will be paid in accordance with **Section 5(c)**:
 - (vii) the name and address of the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent;
- (viii) that shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for which a Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice has been duly tendered and not duly withdrawn must be delivered to the Paying Agent for the Holder thereof to be entitled to receive the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price;
- (ix) that shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that are subject to a Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice that has been duly tendered may be converted only if such Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice is withdrawn in accordance with this Certificate of Designations; and
 - (x) the CUSIP and ISIN numbers, if any, of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.
- (f) Procedures to Exercise the Fundamental Change Repurchase Right.
- (i) Delivery of Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice and Shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to Be Repurchased. To exercise its Fundamental Change Repurchase Right for any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock following a Fundamental Change, the Holder thereof must deliver to the Paying Agent:
 - (1) before the Close of Business on the Business Day immediately before the related Fundamental Change Repurchase Date (or such later time as may be required by law), a duly completed, written Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice with respect to such share(s); and
 - (2) certificates, if any, representing such share(s), duly endorsed for transfer (to the extent such share(s) are represented by one or more Physical Certificates) or a stock power for book-entry transfer (to the extent such share(s) are represented by one or more Global Certificates).

- (ii) Contents of Fundamental Change Repurchase Notices. Each Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice with respect to any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock must state:
 - (1) if such share(s) are represented by one or more Physical Certificates, the certificate number(s) of such Physical Certificate(s);
 - (2) the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be repurchased, which must be a whole number; and
 - (3) that such Holder is exercising its Fundamental Change Repurchase Right with respect to such share(s);

provided, however, that if such share(s) are represented by one or more Global Certificates, then such Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice must comply with the Depositary Procedures (and any such Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice delivered in compliance with the Depositary Procedures will be deemed to satisfy the requirements of this **Section 8(f)**).

- (iii) Withdrawal of Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice. A Holder that has delivered a Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice with respect to any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock may withdraw such Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice by delivering a written notice of withdrawal to the Paying Agent at any time before the Close of Business on the Business Day immediately before the related Fundamental Change Repurchase Date. Such withdrawal notice must state:
 - (1) if such share(s) are represented by one or more Physical Certificates, the certificate number(s) of such Physical Certificate(s);
 - (2) the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be withdrawn, which must be a whole number; and
 - (3) the number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, if any, that remain subject to such Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice, which must be a whole number;

provided, however, that if such share(s) are represented by one or more Global Certificates, then such withdrawal notice must comply with the Depositary Procedures (and any such withdrawal notice delivered in compliance with the Depositary Procedures will be deemed to satisfy the requirements of this **Section 8(f)**).

If any Holder delivers to the Paying Agent any such withdrawal notice withdrawing any share(s) of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock from any Fundamental Change Repurchase Notice previously delivered to the Paying Agent, and such share(s) have been surrendered to the Paying Agent, then such share(s) will be returned to the Holder thereof (or, if applicable with respect to any Global Certificate, any instructions for book-entry transfer to the Company or the Paying Agent of the applicable beneficial interest in such Global Certificate will be cancelled in accordance with the Depositary Procedures).

- (g) Payment of the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price. Subject to Section 8(b), the Company will cause the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price for each share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be repurchased pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change to be paid to the Holder thereof on or before the later of (i) the applicable Fundamental Change Repurchase Date; and (ii) the date (x) the Physical Certificate representing such share is delivered to the Paying Agent (in the case such share is represented by a Physical Certificate) or (y) the Depositary Procedures relating to the repurchase, and the delivery to the Paying Agent, of such Holder's beneficial interest in the Global Certificate representing such share to be repurchased are complied with (in the case such share is represented by a Global Certificate). For the avoidance of doubt, Regular Dividends payable pursuant to the proviso to Section 8(d) on any share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be repurchased pursuant to a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change will be paid pursuant to such proviso and Section 5(c).
- (h) Compliance with Applicable Securities Laws. To the extent applicable, the Company will comply, in all material respects, with all federal and state securities laws in connection with a Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change (including complying with Rules 13e-4 and 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and filing any required Schedule TO, to the extent applicable) so as to permit effecting such Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change in the manner set forth in this Certificate of Designations; provided, however, that, to the extent that the Company's obligations pursuant to this Section 8 conflict with any law or regulation that is applicable to the Company, the Company's compliance with such law or regulation will not be considered to be a breach of such obligations.
- (i) Third Party May Conduct Repurchase Offer In Lieu of the Company. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 8, the Company will be deemed to satisfy its obligations under this Section 8 if (i) one or more third parties conduct any Repurchase Upon Fundamental Change and related offer to repurchase Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock otherwise required by this Section 8 in a manner that would have satisfied the requirements of this Section 8 if conducted directly by the Company; and (ii) an owner of a beneficial interest in any Global Certificate representing any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock repurchased by such third party or parties will not receive a lesser amount (as a result of withholding or other similar taxes) than such owner would have received had the Company repurchased such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.

Section 9. <u>VOTING RIGHTS</u>. The Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will have no voting rights except as set forth in this **Section 9** or as provided in the Certificate of Incorporation or required by the Delaware General Corporation Law.

- (a) Voting and Consent Rights with Respect to Specified Matters.
- (i) *Generally*. Subject to the other provisions of this **Section 9(a)**, while any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is outstanding, each of the following events will require, and cannot be effected without, the affirmative vote or consent of Holders, and holders of each class or series of Voting Parity Stock, if any, with similar voting or consent rights with respect to such event, representing at least a majority of the combined outstanding voting power of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and such Voting Parity Stock, if any:

- (1) any amendment, modification or repeal of any provision of the Certificate of Incorporation or this Certificate of Designations that materially adversely affects the special rights, preferences or voting powers of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (other than an amendment, modification or repeal permitted by Section 9(a)(iii)); and
- (2) the Company's consolidation or combination with, or merger with or into, another Person, or any binding or statutory share exchange or reclassification involving the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, in each case unless:
 - (A) the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock either (x) remains outstanding after such consolidation, combination, merger, share exchange or reclassification; or (y) is converted or reclassified into, or is exchanged for, or represents solely the right to receive, preference securities of the continuing, resulting or surviving Person of such consolidation, combination, merger, share exchange or reclassification, or the parent thereof;
 - (B) the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that remains outstanding or such preference securities, as applicable, have rights, preferences and voting powers that, taken as a whole, are not materially less favorable (as determined by the Board of Directors in good faith) to the Holders or the holders thereof, as applicable, than the rights, preferences and voting powers, taken as a whole, of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock immediately before the consummation of such consolidation, combination, merger, share exchange or reclassification; and
 - (C) the issuer of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that remains outstanding or such preference securities, as applicable, is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia that, if not the Company, will succeed to the Company under this Certificate of Designations and the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock;

provided, however, that (x) a consolidation, combination, merger, share exchange or reclassification that satisfies the requirements of clauses (A), (B) and (C) of Section 9(a)(i)(2) will not require any vote or consent pursuant to Section 9(a)(i)(1); and (y) each of the following will be deemed not to materially adversely affect the rights, preferences or voting powers of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (or cause any of the rights, preferences or voting powers of any such preference securities to be "materially less favorable" for purposes of Section 9(a)(i)(2)(B)) and will not require any vote or consent pursuant to either Section 9(a)(i)(1) or 9(a)(i)(2):

- (I) any increase in the number of the authorized but unissued shares of the Company's undesignated preferred stock;
- (II) any increase in the number of authorized or issued shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock; and

- (III) the creation and issuance, or increase in the authorized or issued number, of any class or series of stock (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Dividend Junior Stock, Liquidation Junior Stock, Dividend Parity Stock, Liquidation Parity Stock, Dividend Senior Stock or Liquidation Senior Stock).
- (ii) Where Some But Not All Classes or Series of Stock Are Adversely Affected. If any event set forth in Section 9(a)(i)(1) or 9(a)(i)(2) would materially adversely affect the rights, preferences or voting powers of one or more, but not all, classes or series of Voting Parity Stock (which term, solely for purposes of this sentence, includes the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock), then those classes or series whose rights, preferences or voting powers would not be materially adversely affected will be deemed not to have voting or consent rights with respect to such event. Furthermore, an amendment, modification or repeal described in Section 9(a)(i)(1) above that materially adversely affects the special rights, preferences or voting powers of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock cannot be effected without the affirmative vote or consent of Holders, voting separately as a class, of at least a majority of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock then outstanding.
- (iii) Certain Amendments Permitted Without Consent. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 9(a)(i)(1), the Company may amend, modify or repeal any of the terms of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock without the vote or consent of any Holder to:
 - (1) cure any ambiguity or correct any omission, defect or inconsistency in this Certificate of Designations or the certificates representing the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, including the filing of a certificate of correction, or a corrected instrument, pursuant to Section 103(f) of the Delaware General Corporation Law in connection therewith:
 - (2) conform the provisions of this Certificate of Designations or the certificates representing the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to the "Description of STRC Stock" section of the Company's preliminary prospectus supplement, dated July 21, 2025, relating to the initial offering and sale of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, as supplemented by the related pricing term sheet dated July 24, 2025;
 - (3) provide for or confirm the issuance of additional Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock pursuant to this Certificate of Designations;
 - (4) provide for any transfer restrictions that apply to any shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (other than the shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock issued on the Initial Issue Date and any shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock issued in exchange therefor or in substitution thereof) that, at the time of their original issuance, constitute "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144 under the Securities Act or that are originally issued in reliance upon Regulation S under the Securities Act; or

(5) make any other change to the Certificate of Incorporation, this Certificate of Designations or the certificates representing the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock that does not, individually or in the aggregate with all other such changes, adversely affect the rights of any Holder (other than any Holders that have consented to such change), as such, in any material respect (as determined by the Board of Directors in good faith).

For the avoidance of doubt, a temporary or permanent increase in the Redemption Price per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock to be redeemed, or a temporary or permanent elimination of the Company's right to redeem any Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, pursuant to an Optional Redemption, a Clean-Up Redemption or a Tax Redemption will be deemed not to adversely affect the rights of any Holder as such.

- (b) Procedures for Voting and Consents.
- (i) Rules and Procedures Governing Votes and Consents. If any vote or consent of the Holders will be held or solicited, including at a regular annual meeting or a special meeting of stockholders, then the Board of Directors will adopt customary rules and procedures at its discretion to govern such vote or consent, subject to the other provisions of this **Section 9**. Such rules and procedures may include fixing a record date to determine the Holders (and, if applicable, holders of Voting Parity Stock) that are entitled to vote or provide consent, as applicable, and rules governing the solicitation and use of proxies or written consents.
- (ii) *Voting Power of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and Voting Parity Stock.* Each share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be entitled to one vote on each matter on which the Holders of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock are entitled to vote separately as a class and not together with the holders of any other class or series of stock. The respective voting powers of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and all classes or series of Voting Parity Stock entitled to vote on any matter together as a single class will be determined (including for purposes of determining whether a plurality, majority or other applicable portion of votes has been obtained) in proportion to their respective liquidation amounts. Solely for purposes of the preceding sentence, the liquidation amount of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock or any such class or series of Voting Parity Stock will be the maximum amount payable in respect of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock or such class or series, as applicable, assuming the Company is liquidated on the record date for the applicable vote or consent (or, if there is no record date, on the date of such vote or consent).
- (iii) Written Consent in Lieu of Stockholder Meeting. A consent or affirmative vote of the Holders pursuant to Section 9(a) may be given or obtained either in writing without a meeting or in person or by proxy at a regular annual meeting or a special meeting of stockholders.

Section 10. <u>NO PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS</u>. Without limiting the rights of Holders set forth in this Certificate of Designations, the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will not have any preemptive rights to subscribe for or purchase any of the Company's securities.

Section 11. CALCULATIONS.

- (a) Responsibility; Schedule of Calculations. Except as otherwise provided in this Certificate of Designations, the Company will be responsible for making all calculations called for under this Certificate of Designations or the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, including determinations of the Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum, Monthly SOFR Per Annum, Last Reported Sale Prices, Liquidation Preference, Fundamental Change Repurchase Price, Redemption Price and accumulated Regular Dividends and Compounded Dividends on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock. The Company will make all calculations in good faith, and, absent manifest error, its calculations will be final and binding on all Holders. The Company will provide a schedule of such calculations to any Holder or any beneficial owner of a share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock upon written request.
- (b) Calculations Aggregated for Each Holder. The composition of the consideration due upon the payment of the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price or the Redemption Price for, and the payment on a Regular Dividend Payment Date of Regular Dividends on, the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock of any Holder will (in the case of a Global Certificate, to the extent permitted by, and practicable under, the Depositary Procedures) be computed based on the total number of shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock of such Holder to be repurchased (in the case of payment of the Fundamental Change Repurchase Price) or redeemed (in the case of payment of the Redemption Price), or held by such Holder as of the Close of Business on the related Regular Record Date (in the case of payment of such Regular Dividends), as applicable. Any cash amounts due to such Holder in respect thereof will, after giving effect to the preceding sentence, be rounded to the nearest cent.
- Section 12. NO SINKING FUND OBLIGATIONS. The Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will not be subject to any sinking fund or other obligation to redeem, repurchase or retire the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, except to the extent provided in **Section 7**.
- Section 13. NOTICES. The Company will provide all notices or communications to Holders pursuant to this Certificate of Designations in writing by first class mail, certified or registered, return receipt requested, or by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery, to the Holders' respective addresses shown on the Register; *provided*, *however*, that, in the case of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by one or more Global Certificates, the Company is permitted to provide notices or communications to Holders pursuant to the Depositary Procedures, and notices and communications that the Company provides in this manner will be deemed to have been properly sent to such Holders in writing. In addition, notices of adjusted Monthly Regular Dividend Rate Per Annum may be sent in the manner set forth in the definition of such term.

Section 14. NO OTHER RIGHTS. The Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will have no rights, preferences or voting powers except as provided in this Certificate of Designations or the Certificate of Incorporation or as required by applicable law.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Certificate of Designations to be duly executed as of the date first written above.

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Phong Le

Name: Phong Le

Title: President & Chief Executive Officer

[Signature Page to Certificate of Designations]

FORM OF PERPETUAL STRETCH PREFERRED STOCK

[Insert Global Certificate Legend, if applicable]

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock

CUSIP No.:		Certificate No.	[]
Company' "Certification of the Control	MicroStrategy Incorporated, a Delaware corporation d/b/a Strategy (the "Company"), certifice of shares] shares] [the number of shares set forth in the attached Schedule of Exchanges of Intervariable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (the "Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock"). The special rights, preferences and voting powers of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and any establishing the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock (the "Certificate of Designations"). Capanition have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the Certificate of Designations.	erests in the Global Certificate] ² ock") represented by this certificate of set forth in the Certificate of	of the cate (this Designation
Add	ional terms of this Certificate are set forth on the other side of this Certificate.		
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	bracketed language for Physical Certificate only.		

² Insert bracketed language for Global Certificate only.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, MicroStrategy Incorporated has caused this instrument to be duly executed as of the date set forth below.

	MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED
Date:	By:
	Name:
	Title:
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Date:	By:
	Name:
	Title:

TRANSFER AGENT'S COUNTERSIGNATURE

[legal name of Transfer Agent], as Transfer Agent, certifies that this Certificate represents shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock referred to in the within-mentioned Certificate of Designations.		
Date:	By:	
		Authorized Signatory

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock

This Certificate represents duly authorized, issued and outstanding shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock. Certain terms of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock are summarized below. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Certificate, to the extent that any provision of this Certificate conflicts with the provisions of the Certificate of Designations or the Certificate of Incorporation, the provisions of the Certificate of Designations or the Certificate of Incorporation, as applicable, will control.

- 1. **Method of Payment**. Cash amounts due on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by this Certificate will be paid in the manner set forth in Section 3(f) of the Certificate of Designations.
- 2. **Persons Deemed Owners**. The Person in whose name this Certificate is registered will be treated as the owner of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by this Certificate for all purposes, subject to Section 3(m) of the Certificate of Designations.
- 3. **Denominations; Transfers and Exchanges**. All shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be in registered form and in denominations equal to any whole number of shares. Subject to the terms of the Certificate of Designations, the Holder of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock represented by this Certificate may transfer or exchange such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock by presenting this Certificate to the Registrar and delivering any required documentation or other materials.
- 4. **Regular Dividends**. Regular Dividends on the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will accumulate and will be paid in the manner, and subject to the terms, set forth in Section 5 of the Certificate of Designations.
- 5. **Liquidation Preference**. The Liquidation Preference per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is initially one hundred dollars (\$100) per share of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock and is subject to adjustment, as set forth in the Certificate of Designations. The rights of Holders upon the Company's liquidation, dissolution or winding up are set forth in Section 6 of the Certificate of Designations.
- 6. **Right of Holders to Require the Company to Repurchase Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock upon a Fundamental Change**. If a Fundamental Change occurs, then each Holder will have the right to require the Company to repurchase such Holder's Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock for cash in the manner, and subject to the terms, set forth in Section 8 of the Certificate of Designations.
- 7. **Right of the Company to Redeem the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock**. The Company will have the right to redeem the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock in the manner, and subject to the terms, set forth in Section 7 of the Certificate of Designations.

- 8. Voting Rights. Holders of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock have the voting rights set forth in Section 9 of the Certificate of Designations.
- 9. **Countersignature**. This Certificate will not be valid until this Certificate is countersigned by the Transfer Agent in accordance with the Certificate of Designations.
- 10. **Abbreviations**. Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Holder or its assignee, such as TEN COM (tenants in common), TEN ENT (tenants by the entireties), JT TEN (joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (custodian), and U/G/M/A (Uniform Gift to Minors Act).

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To request a copy of the Certificate of Designations, which the Company will provide to any Holder at no charge, please send a written request to the following address:

Strategy 1850 Towers Crescent Plaza Tysons Corner, Virginia 22182 Attention: Chief Financial Officer

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SCHEDULE OF EXCHANGES OF INTERESTS IN THE GLOBAL CERTIFICATE 1

INITIAL NUMBER OF SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS GLOBAL CERTIFICATE:

The following exchanges, transfers or cancellations of this Global Certificate have been made:

Date	Amount of Increase (Decrease) in Number of Shares Represented by this Global Certificate	Number of Shares Represented by this Global Certificate After Such Increase (Decrease)	Signature of Authorized Signatory of Transfer Agent
			-

Insert for Global Certificate only.

FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE REPURCHASE NOTICE

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock

Subject to the terms of the Certificate of Designations, by executing and deliv Holder of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock identified below is exercising	
□ all of the shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock	
□1 shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock	
identified by CUSIP No and Certificate No	
The undersigned acknowledges that Certificate identified above, duly endorse Fundamental Change Repurchase Price will be paid.	ed for transfer, must be delivered to the Paying Agent before the
Date:	
	(Legal Name of Holder)
	By:
	Name: Title:
	Signature Guaranteed:
	Participant in a Recognized Signature
	Guarantee Medallion Program
	By:
	Authorized Signatory

¹ Must be a whole number.

ASSIGNMENT FORM

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock

Subject to the terms of the Certificate of Designations, the undersigned lone):	Holder of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock identified below assigns (check
☐ all of the shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock	
□¹ shares of Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock	
identified by CUSIP No and Certificate No, and all	l rights thereunder, to:
Name:	
Address:	
Social security or tax id. #:	
and irrevocably appoints:	
as agent to transfer such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock on the books	of the Company. The agent may substitute another to act for him/her.
Date:	(Legal Name of Holder)
	By:
	Name: Title:
	Signature Guaranteed:
	Participant in a Recognized Signature Guarantee Medallion Program
	Ву:
	Authorized Signatory

Must be a whole number.

FORM OF GLOBAL CERTIFICATE LEGEND

THIS IS A GLOBAL CERTIFICATE WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATIONS HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY, WHICH MAY BE TREATED BY THE COMPANY, THE TRANSFER AGENT AND ANY AGENT THEREOF AS THE OWNER AND HOLDER OF RECORD OF THE PERPETUAL STRETCH PREFERRED STOCK REPRESENTED BY THIS GLOBAL CERTIFICATE FOR ALL PURPOSES.

UNLESS THIS GLOBAL CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC") TO THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT HEREON IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL SINCE THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

TRANSFERS OF THE PERPETUAL STRETCH PREFERRED STOCK REPRESENTED BY THIS GLOBAL CERTIFICATE WILL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS IN WHOLE, BUT NOT IN PART, TO NOMINEES OF DTC, OR TO A SUCCESSOR THEREOF OR SUCH SUCCESSOR'S NOMINEE, AND TRANSFERS OF PORTIONS OF THE PERPETUAL STRETCH PREFERRED STOCK REPRESENTED BY THIS GLOBAL CERTIFICATE WILL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 3(i) OF THE CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATIONS HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO.

CERTIFICATE OF INCREASE OF 8.00% SERIES A PERPETUAL STRIKE PREFERRED STOCK OF MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

July 25, 2025

(Pursuant to Section 151 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware)

MicroStrategy Incorporated, a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Company"), does hereby certify that, pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board of Directors of the Company by the Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended, and Section 151(g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Board of Directors of the Company has adopted a resolution authorizing and directing the increase in the number of authorized shares designated as 8.00% Series A Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock of the Company to 269,800,000 shares.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Certificate of Increase to be executed by its duly authorized officer on the date first written above.

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Andrew Kang

Name: Andrew Kang Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

[Certificate of Increase (8.00% Series A Perpetual Strike Preferred Stock)]

CERTIFICATE OF INCREASE OF 10.00% SERIES A PERPETUAL STRIFE PREFERRED STOCK OF MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

July 25, 2025

(Pursuant to Section 151 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware)

MicroStrategy Incorporated, a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Company"), does hereby certify that, pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board of Directors of the Company by the Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended, and Section 151(g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Board of Directors of the Company has adopted a resolution authorizing and directing the increase in the number of authorized shares designated as 10.00% Series A Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock of the Company to 33,200,000 shares.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Certificate of Increase to be executed by its duly authorized officer on the date first written above.

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Andrew Kang

Name: Andrew Kang

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

[Certificate of Increase (10.00% Series A Perpetual Strife Preferred Stock)]

CERTIFICATE OF INCREASE OF 10.00% SERIES A PERPETUAL STRIDE PREFERRED STOCK OF MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

July 25, 2025

(Pursuant to Section 151 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware)

MicroStrategy Incorporated, a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Company"), does hereby certify that, pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board of Directors of the Company by the Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended, and Section 151(g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Board of Directors of the Company has adopted a resolution authorizing and directing the increase in the number of authorized shares designated as 10.00% Series A Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock of the Company to 61,175,700 shares.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Certificate of Increase to be executed by its duly authorized officer on the date first written above.

MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Andrew Kang

Name: Andrew Kang Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

[Certificate of Increase (10.00% Series A Perpetual Stride Preferred Stock)]

LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

July 29, 2025

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Re: Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-284510); Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock of MicroStrategy Incorporated

To the addressee set forth above:

We have acted as special counsel to MicroStrategy Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with issuance and sale of 28,011,111 shares of the Company's Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value per share, of the Company (the "Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock"), pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on January 27, 2025 (Registration No. 333-284510) (as so filed and as amended, the "Registration Statement"), a base prospectus, dated January 27, 2025, included in the Registration Statement at the time it originally became effective under the Securities Act (the "Base Prospectus"), a preliminary prospectus supplement, dated July 21, 2025, filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act (such preliminary prospectus supplement, together with the Base Prospectus, the "Preliminary Prospectus"), a prospectus supplement, dated July 24, 2025, filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act on July 25, 2025 (the "Prospectus Supplement," and, together with the Base Prospectus, the "Prospectus"), and an underwriting agreement, dated July 24, 2025, between the Company and the representative of the several underwriters named therein (the "Underwriting Agreement"). The Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is issued in accordance with the terms of the certificate of designations, dated July 29, 2025 (the "Certificate of Designations").

This opinion is being furnished in connection with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act, and no opinion is expressed herein as to any matter pertaining to the contents of the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, other than as expressly stated herein with respect to the issue of the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock.

LATHAM&WATKINS LP

As such counsel, we have examined such matters of fact and questions of law as we have considered appropriate for purposes of this letter. With your consent, we have relied upon oral and written statements and representations of officers and other representatives of the Company and others as to factual matters without having independently verified such factual matters. We have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, including any endorsements, the legal capacity and competency of all natural persons, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as facsimile, electronic, certified or photostatic copies and the authenticity of the originals of such copies.

We are opining herein as to the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"), and we express no opinion with respect to the applicability to the opinions expressed herein, or the effect thereon, of any other laws or as to any matters of municipal law or the laws of any local agencies within any state.

Subject to the foregoing and the other matters set forth herein, it is our opinion that, as of the date hereof, the Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action of the Company, and, when such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock is issued, delivered and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Underwriting Agreement, such Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

In rendering the opinion in the foregoing paragraph of this letter, we have assumed that the Company will comply with all applicable notice requirements regarding un-certificated shares provided in the DGCL.

This opinion is for your benefit in connection with the Registration Statement and may be relied upon by you and by persons entitled to rely upon it pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Securities Act. We consent to your filing this opinion as an exhibit to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the Commission on or about July 29, 2025, and to the reference to our firm contained in the Prospectus Supplement under the heading "Legal Matters." In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Sincerely,

/s/ Latham & Watkins LLP

Strategy Announces Closing of \$2.521 Billion STRC Stock Initial Public Offering

TYSONS CORNER, Va.—(BUSINESS WIRE)—July 29, 2025—Strategy™ (Nasdaq: MSTR/STRK/STRF/STRD), the world's first and largest Bitcoin Treasury Company, today announced the closing of its initial public offering of 28,011,111 shares of Variable Rate Series A Perpetual Stretch Preferred Stock ("STRC"), at a public offering price of \$90 per share. The initial public offering for STRC is the largest U.S. initial public offering in 2025 and one of the largest crypto-related offerings in recent years. STRC is expected to begin trading on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on or around July 30, 2025 under the ticker symbol "STRC."

The gross proceeds from the offering were approximately \$2.521 billion, with estimated net proceeds to Strategy of approximately \$2.474 billion, after deducting the underwriting discounts and commissions and Strategy's estimated offering expenses. Strategy utilized net proceeds from the offering for the acquisition of 21,021 bitcoins at an average purchase price of approximately \$117,256 per bitcoin, bringing its aggregate bitcoin holdings as of July 29, 2025 to approximately \$28,791 bitcoins, which were acquired at an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$46.8 billion and an average purchase price of approximately \$73,227 per bitcoin, inclusive of fees and expenses.

The STRC transaction marks several significant milestones for both Strategy and the market. With approximately \$2.521 billion of gross proceeds, this is the largest U.S. IPO completed in 2025 to date based on gross proceeds and the largest U.S. exchange-listed perpetual preferred stock offering in the U.S. since 2009. Once listed on Nasdaq, STRC will be the first U.S. exchange-listed perpetual preferred security issued by a Bitcoin Treasury Company to pay monthly dividends and, we believe, the first U.S. exchange-listed perpetual preferred security to incorporate a board-determined monthly dividend rate policy. STRC also represents the first short duration, income-oriented instrument within Strategy's series of preferred offerings, extending access to a new group of income-focused investors.

Morgan Stanley, Barclays, Moelis & Company, and TD Securities acted as joint book-running managers. The Benchmark Company, Clear Street, AmeriVet Securities, Bancroft Capital, Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, and Maxim Group LLC served as co-managers.

The offering was conducted pursuant to an effective shelf registration statement on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The offering was made only by means of a prospectus supplement and an accompanying prospectus. An electronic copy of the final prospectus supplement, together with the accompanying prospectus, is available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

This press release does not constitute an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, any securities referred to in this press release, nor will there be any sale of any such securities, in any state or other jurisdiction in which such offer, sale, or solicitation would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such state or jurisdiction.

About Strategy

MicroStrategy Incorporated d/b/a Strategy (Nasdaq: MSTR/STRK/STRF/STRD) is the world's first and largest Bitcoin Treasury Company. We are a publicly traded company that has adopted Bitcoin as our primary treasury reserve asset. By using proceeds from equity and debt financings, as well as cash flows from our operations, we strategically accumulate Bitcoin and advocate for its role as digital capital. Our treasury strategy is designed to provide investors varying degrees of economic exposure to Bitcoin by offering a range of securities, including equity and fixed-income instruments. In addition, we provide industry-leading AI-powered enterprise analytics software, advancing our vision of Intelligence Everywhere. We leverage our development capabilities to explore innovation in Bitcoin applications, integrating analytics expertise with our commitment to digital asset growth. We believe our combination of operational excellence, strategic Bitcoin reserve, and focus on technological innovation positions us as a leader in both the digital asset and enterprise analytics sectors, offering a unique opportunity for long-term value creation.

Strategy, MicroStrategy, and Intelligence Everywhere are either trademarks or registered trademarks of MicroStrategy Incorporated in the United States and certain other countries. Other product and company names mentioned herein may be the trademarks of their respective owners.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this press release about future expectations, plans, and prospects, as well as any other statements regarding matters that are not historical facts, may constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to the listing of STRC Stock on Nasdaq the terms of the securities being offered, and Strategy's intentions with respect to adjusting the STRC Stock monthly regular dividend rate per annum. The words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "target," "will," "would," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including the uncertainties related to market conditions and the completion of the offering on the anticipated terms or at all, the uncertainties related to the satisfaction of closing conditions for the sale of the securities being offered, the other factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of Strategy's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 5, 2025, the factors discussed under the header "Risk Factor Updates" in Strategy's current report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 7, 2025, and the risks described in other filings that Strategy may make with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Any forward-looking statements contained in this press release speak only as of the date hereof, and Strategy specifically disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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