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

For the fiscal year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**  
or

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

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DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

46-4591526  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

750 Park of Commerce Drive, Suite 210  
Boca Raton, Florida 33487  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)  
(561) 570-4644  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

Title of Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Class A Common Stock, <b>\$0.04</b> <b>\$0.01</b> par value	DBRG	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Stock, 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable, \$0.01 par value	DBRG.PRH	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Stock, 7.15% Series I Cumulative Redeemable, \$0.01 par value	DBRG.PRI	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Stock, 7.125% Series J Cumulative Redeemable, \$0.01 par value	DBRG.PRJ	New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None.

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

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Accelerated Filer

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Non-Accelerated Filer

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Smaller Reporting Company

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Emerging Growth Company

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. Yes ☐ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report. Yes ☒ No ☐

If securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act, indicate by check mark whether the financial statements of the registrant included in the filing reflect the correction of an error to previously issued financial statements. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether any of those error corrections are restatements that required a recovery analysis of incentive-based compensation received by any of the registrant's executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to §240.10D-1(b). ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

The aggregate market value of the registrant's voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2022 June 30, 2023 was approximately \$3.2 \$2.4 billion. As of February 21, 2023 February 20, 2024, 159,856,764 163,303,023 shares of the Registrant's class A common stock and 166,494 shares of class B common stock were outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Company's Proxy Statement with respect to its 2022 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the end of the Company's fiscal year ended December 31, 2022 December 31, 2023 are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K (this "Annual Report") constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and we intend such statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions contained therein. Forward-looking statements relate to expectations, beliefs, projections, future plans and strategies, anticipated events or trends and similar expressions concerning matters that are not historical facts. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "intends," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," or "potential" or the negative of these words and phrases or similar words or phrases which are predictions of or indicate future events or trends and which do not relate solely to historical matters. You can also identify forward-looking statements by discussions of strategy, plans or intentions.

The forward-looking statements contained in this Annual Report reflect our current views about future events and are subject to numerous known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and changes in circumstances that may cause our actual results to differ significantly from those expressed in any forward-looking statement. The following factors, among others, could cause actual results and future events to differ materially from those set forth or contemplated in the forward-looking statements:

- difficult market and political conditions, including those resulting from supply chain difficulties, inflation, higher interest rates, a general economic slowdown or a recession;
- our ability to grow raise capital from investors for our business by raising capital for Company, our funds and the companies that we manage;

- the performance of our position as an owner, operator funds and investment manager investments relative to our expectations and the highly variable nature of digital infrastructure our revenues, earnings and our ability to manage any related conflicts of interest; cash flow;
- adverse changes our exposure to risks inherent in general economic the ownership and political conditions, operation of infrastructure and digital infrastructure assets, including those resulting from supply chain difficulties, inflation, interest rate increases, a potential economic slowdown or a recession; our reliance on third-party suppliers to provide power, network connectivity and certain other services to our managed companies;
- our exposure to business risks in Europe, Asia, Latin America and other foreign markets;
- our ability to increase assets under management ("AUM") and expand our existing and new investment strategies while maintaining consistent standards and controls;
- our ability to appropriately manage conflicts of interest;
- our ability to expand into new investment strategies, geographic markets and businesses, including through acquisitions in the infrastructure and investment management industries;
- the impact of climate change and regulatory efforts associated with environmental, social and governance matters;
- our ability to maintain effective information and cybersecurity policies, procedures and capabilities and the impact of any cybersecurity incident affecting our systems or network or the system and network of any of our managed companies or service providers;
- the ability of our portfolio companies to attract and retain key customers and to provide reliable services without disruption;
- any litigation and contractual claims against us and our affiliates, including potential settlement and litigation of such claims
- our ability to obtain and maintain financing arrangements, including securitizations, on favorable or comparable terms or at all;
- the ability of our managed companies to attract and retain key customers and to provide reliable services without disruption;
- the reliance of our managed companies on third-party suppliers for power, network connectivity and certain other services;
- our ability to increase assets under management ("AUM") and expand our existing and new investment strategies;
- our ability to integrate and maintain consistent standards and controls, including our ability to manage our acquisitions in the digital infrastructure and investment management industries effectively;
- our business and investment strategy, including the ability of the businesses in which we have significant investments to execute their business strategies;
- performance of our investments relative to our expectations and the impact on our actual return on invested equity, as well as the cash provided by these investments and available for distribution;
- our ability to deploy capital into new investments consistent with our investment management strategies;
- the availability of, and competition for, attractive investment opportunities and the earnings profile of such new investments;
- our ability to achieve any of the anticipated benefits of certain joint ventures, including any ability for such ventures to create and/or distribute new investment products;
- our expected hold period for our assets and the impact of any changes in our expectations on the carrying value of such assets;
- the general volatility of the securities markets in which we participate;
- the market value of our assets;
- interest rate mismatches between our assets and any borrowings used to fund such assets;

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- effects of hedging instruments on our assets;
  - the impact of economic conditions on third parties on which we rely;
  - the impact of any security incident or deficiency affecting our systems or network or the system and network of any of our managed companies or service providers;
  - any litigation and contractual claims against us and our affiliates, including potential settlement and litigation of such claims;
  - our levels of leverage;
  - the impact of legislative, regulatory and competitive changes, including those related to privacy and data protection;
  - the impact of our transition from a real estate protection and new SEC rules governing investment trust ("REIT") to a taxable C corporation for tax purposes, and the related liability for corporate and other taxes; advisers;
  - whether we will be able to utilize existing tax attributes to offset taxable income to the extent contemplated;
  - our ability to maintain our exemption from registration as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as amended (the "1940 Act"); Act;
  - changes in our board of directors or management team, and availability of qualified personnel;

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- our ability to make or maintain distributions to our stockholders; and
- our understanding of and ability to successfully navigate the competitive landscape in which we and our managed companies operate.

While forward-looking statements reflect our good faith beliefs, assumptions and expectations, they are not guarantees of future performance. Furthermore, we disclaim any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect changes in underlying assumptions or factors, of new information, data or methods, future events or other changes. Moreover, because we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment, new risk factors are likely to emerge from time to time. We caution investors not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements and urge you to carefully review the disclosures we make concerning risks in Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" and in Part I, II, Item 2.7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in this Annual Report. Readers of this Annual Report should also read our other periodic filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and other publicly filed documents for further discussion regarding such factors.

### RISK FACTOR SUMMARY

Our business is subject to a number of risks, including risks that may prevent us from achieving our business objectives or may adversely affect our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects. These risks are discussed more fully in Item 1A. Risk Factors. These risks include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### *Risks Related to Our Business*

- We require capital in order to continue to operate and grow our business, and the failure to obtain such capital, either through the public or private markets or other third-party sources of capital, would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and ability to maintain our distributions to our stockholders.
- Adverse changes in general economic conditions and political conditions could adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.
- We invest in a wide array of asset classes within the digital infrastructure industry; however, large part on our ability to raise capital from investors. If we may not successfully implement this strategy were unable to raise such capital, we would be unable to collect management fees or ultimately realize any of the anticipated benefits of diversification.
- We face possible risks associated with natural disasters, wildfires, weather events, deploy such capital into investments, which would materially reduce our revenues and the physical effects cash flow and other impacts of climate change. adversely affect our financial condition.
- The investment management business is intensely competitive and we depend on investors in the funds we manage for the continued success of our business.
- Poor performance of our current and future managed investment vehicles could cause a decline in our revenue and cash flow. results of operations which may obligate us to repay performance fees previously paid to us and could adversely affect our ability to raise capital for future funds.

- Investors Many parts of our revenues, earnings and cash flow are highly variable, which may make it difficult for us to achieve steady earnings growth on a quarterly basis, which may cause the price of our shares to be volatile.
- Our investments in infrastructure assets, particularly digital infrastructure, may expose us to risks inherent in the ownership and operation of such assets.
- Our operations in Europe, Asia, Latin America and other foreign markets expose our business to risks inherent in conducting business in foreign markets.
- Valuation methodologies for certain assets in our current or future managed investment vehicles institutional private funds can involve subjective judgements, and the fair value of assets established pursuant to such methodologies may negotiate terms that are less favorable to us than those of investment vehicles we currently manage, be incorrect, which could have a material adverse effect on result in the misstatement of performance and accrued performance fees of one or more of our business, results of operations and financial condition. managed funds.
- The organization structure and management of our current and future investment vehicles and of the Company and OP may create conflicts of interest.
- Any failure We may expand into new investment strategies, geographic markets and businesses, each of which may result in additional risks and uncertainties in our businesses. Additionally, rapid growth of our physical infrastructure or services could lead businesses, particularly outside the U.S., may be difficult to sustain and may place significant costs and disruptions that could harm demands on our business reputation and could adversely affect our earnings administrative, operational and financial condition.
- The digital infrastructure industry is highly competitive and such competition may materially and adversely affect our performance and ability to execute our strategy. resources.
- We do not directly control the operations of certain of our digital infrastructure assets portfolio companies and are therefore dependent on portfolio company management teams to successfully operate their businesses. Additionally, we may not realize the anticipated benefits of our strategic partnerships and joint ventures.

- The performance Our funds may be forced to dispose of our digital infrastructure assets depends upon the demand for such assets. investments at a disadvantageous time.
- The infrastructure Climate change and regulatory and other efforts to reduce climate change could adversely affect our business.

[Table of the data centers that we own may become obsolete, which could materially and adversely impact our revenue and operations.](#) [Contents](#)

- Digital infrastructure investments are subject to substantial government regulation.

#### *Risks Related to our Organizational Structure and Business Operations*

- We depend on our key personnel, and the loss of their services or the loss of investor confidence in such personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.
- Our position as an owner, operator and investment manager of digital infrastructure assets and change in strategy to focus on investment management may adversely impact our stock price.
- There may be conflicts of interest between us and our Chief Executive Officer, our President and certain other former senior employees of Digital Bridge Holdings, LLC ("DBH") employees that could result in decisions that are not in the best interests of our stockholders.
- The occurrence of a security cybersecurity incident or a deficiency in our failure to implement effective information and cybersecurity policies, procedures and capabilities has the potential to disrupt our operations, cause material harm to our financial condition, result in misappropriation of assets, compromise confidential information and/or damage our business relationships.

#### *Risks Related to Financing*

- We may not be able require capital to generate sufficient cash flow continue to meet all operate and grow our business, and the failure to obtain such capital, either through the public or private markets or other third-party sources of capital, could have a material adverse effect on our existing or potential future debt service obligations.
- Our use business, financial condition, results of leverage operations and ability to finance maintain our businesses exposes us distributions to substantial risks, our stockholders.
- Changes in the debt financing markets or higher interest rates could negatively impact the value of certain assets or investments and the ability of our funds and their portfolio companies to access the capital markets on attractive terms, which could adversely affect investment and realization opportunities, lead to lower-yielding investments and potentially decrease our net income.
- The changes to the reference rate used Increases in our existing floating rate debt instruments and hedging arrangements are uncertain and may interest rates could adversely affect the value of our investments and cause our interest rates on expense to increase, which could result in reduced earnings or losses and negatively affect our current or future indebtedness and could hinder our ability to maintain effective hedges, potentially resulting in adverse impacts profitability as well as the cash available for distribution to our business operations and financial results, stockholders.

#### *Risks Related to Ownership of Our Securities*

- The market price of our class A common stock has been and may continue to be volatile and holders of our class A common stock could lose all or a significant portion of their investment due to drops in the market price of our class A common stock.
- We may issue additional equity securities, which may dilute your interest in us.

#### *Risks Related to Our Incorporation in Maryland*

- Certain provisions of Maryland law could inhibit changes in control.

#### *Regulatory Risks*

- Extensive regulation in the United States and abroad affects our activities, increases the cost of doing business and creates the potential for significant liabilities and that could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

- Privacy and data protection regulations are complex and rapidly evolving areas. Any failure or alleged failure to comply with these laws could harm our business, reputation, financial condition, and operating results.

#### *Risks Related to Taxation*

- Our obligations to pay income taxes will increase since the Company no longer qualifies as a REIT, effective January 1, 2022.
- We are no longer subject to the REIT distribution requirements, and as such we are not required to make annual distributions of our taxable income to our stockholders.
- We may fail to realize the anticipated benefits of becoming a taxable C Corporation, and our ability to use capital loss and net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards to reduce future tax

payments may be limited.

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## PART I

### Item 1. Business.

*In this Annual Report, unless specifically stated otherwise or the context indicates otherwise, the terms "the Company," "DBRG," "we," "our" and "us" refer to DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries. References to the "Operating Company" and the "OP" refer to DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and the operating company of the Company, DBRG, and its consolidated subsidiaries.*

#### Our Organization

We are a leading global digital infrastructure investment manager, deploying and managing capital across the digital ecosystem, including data centers, cell towers, fiber networks, small cells, and edge infrastructure. Our diverse global investor base includes public and private pensions, sovereign wealth funds, asset managers, insurance companies, and endowments. At ~~December 31, 2022~~ December 31, 2023, we had ~~\$53 billion~~ \$80 billion of AUM, composed of assets managed on behalf of ~~our~~ limited partners ~~or~~ investors of investment vehicles we manage, and separately, our ~~shareholders~~, stockholders.

We are headquartered in Boca Raton, Florida, with key offices in New York, Los Angeles, London, Luxembourg and Singapore, and have approximately 300 employees.

We operate as a taxable C Corporation and conduct substantially all of our activities and hold substantially all of our assets and liabilities through our Operating Company. At ~~December 31, 2022~~ December 31, 2023, we owned 93% of the Operating Company as its sole managing member.

#### Our Business

The Company conducts its business through ~~two~~ its one reportable ~~segments~~: (i) segment of Investment Management (formerly, Digital Management. The Operating segment was discontinued following full deconsolidation of the portfolio companies in the Operating segment on December 31, 2023.

~~The Investment Management~~; and (ii) Operating (formerly, Digital Operating), the Company's direct co-investment in digital infrastructure assets held by its portfolio companies.

- ~~Investment Management~~—This ~~Management~~ segment represents the Company's global investment management platform, deploying and managing capital on behalf of a diverse base of global institutional investors. The Company's investment management platform is composed of a growing number of long-duration, private investment funds designed to provide institutional investors access to investments across different segments of the digital infrastructure ecosystem. In addition to its flagship value-add digital infrastructure equity offerings, the Company's investment offerings have expanded to include core equity, credit and liquid securities. The Company earns management fees based upon the assets or capital managed in investment vehicles, and may earn incentive fees and carried interest based upon the performance of such investment vehicles, subject to achievement of minimum return hurdles.
- ~~Operating~~—This segment is composed of balance sheet equity interests in digital infrastructure and real estate operating companies, which generally earn rental income from providing use of digital asset space and/or capacity through leases, services and other agreements. The Company currently owns interests in two companies: DataBank, an edge colocation data center business (DBRG ownership of 11% at December 31, 2022 and 20% at December 31, 2021); and Vantage SDC, a stabilized hyperscale data center business (DBRG ownership of 13% at December 31, 2022 and 2021). DataBank and Vantage SDC are portfolio companies managed by the Company under its Investment Management segment with respect to equity interests owned by third party capital.

~~The Company's current business and operations reflect the completion in February 2022 of its transformation from a REIT and investment manager of a diversified real estate portfolio into an investment manager focused primarily on digital infrastructure.~~

#### Our Investment Management Platform

Our investment management platform is anchored by our value-add funds within the DigitalBridge Partners ("DBP") infrastructure equity offerings. In providing institutional investors access to investments across different segments of the digital infrastructure ecosystem, our investment offerings have expanded to include core equity, credit and liquid securities.

- Our DBP series of funds focus on value-add digital infrastructure, investing in and building businesses across the digital infrastructure sector.

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- Core Equity invests in digital infrastructure businesses and assets with long-duration cash flow profiles, primarily in more developed ~~geographies~~, ~~geographies~~ (the Strategic Assets Fund, or "SAF").
  - DigitalBridge Credit is our private credit strategy that delivers credit solutions to corporate borrowers in the digital infrastructure sector globally through credit financing products such as first and second lien term loans, mezzanine debt, preferred equity and construction/delay-draw loans, among other products.



- Our Liquid Strategies are fundamental long-only and long-short public equities strategies with well-defined mandates, leveraging the network and intellectual capital of **the DBRG** our platform to build liquid portfolios of high quality, undervalued businesses across digital infrastructure, real estate, and technology, media, and telecom.
- InfraBridge **the newest addition to our platform**, is focused on mid-market investments in the digital infrastructure and related sectors of transportation and logistics, and energy transition. **InfraBridge operates as a separate division within DBRG following our acquisition transition (the Global Infrastructure Fund ("GIF") series of the global infrastructure equity investment management business funds).**

[Table of AMP Capital in February 2023. The acquisition of InfraBridge added \\$9 billion of AUM to our investment management platform. Contents](#)

## Our Fund Investment Strategy

As a leading digital infrastructure investment manager, we deploy a unique investment strategy which gives investors exposure to a portfolio of growing, resilient businesses enabling the next generation of mobile and internet connectivity. We invest in digital infrastructure and real estate assets in which we believe we have a competitive advantage with our experience and track record of value creation in this sector, and which possess a durable cash flow profile with compelling secular growth characteristics driven by key themes such as 5G, artificial intelligence and cloud-based applications. We believe our deep understanding of the digital infrastructure ecosystem, together with our extensive experience running mission-critical network infrastructure for some of the world's largest and most-profitable companies in this sector, will provide us with a significant advantage in identifying and executing on attractive and differentiated investment opportunities through various economic cycles.

We believe we can achieve our business objective of delivering attractive risk-adjusted returns through our rigorous underwriting and asset management processes, which benefit from our deep operational and investment experience in digital infrastructure, having invested in and run digital infrastructure businesses through multiple economic cycles. These processes allow us to implement a flexible yet disciplined investment strategy for the funds we manage and for our balance sheet. Core strengths and principles of our investment strategy include:

- **People**—Established operators, investors and thought leaders with over two decades of experience in investing and operating across the full spectrum of digital infrastructure, including towers, data centers, fiber, small cells, and edge infrastructure.
- **Best-in-Class Assets**—Own mission-critical and hard-to-replicate network infrastructure supporting many of the largest and most-profitable digital infrastructure companies in the world and typically with very high renewal rates and pricing. We have successfully constructed a portfolio of best-in-class assets within our investment management business across all components of the digital ecosystem to drive significant synergies.
- **Operational Expertise**—This drives performance and alpha creation:
  - **Direct Operating Expertise**—Our substantial operating history and experience have contributed to long-standing relationships and partnerships with leading global carriers, content providers and hyperscale cloud companies, which are some of the main customers of digital infrastructure.
  - **Differentiated Mergers and Acquisitions Program**—We have numerous industry relationships that have been developed by our senior investment team over decades which generate opportunities for proprietary deal flow (from both traditional digital infrastructure companies and our global network of customers) and typically minimize participation in certain competitive auctions. Additionally, DBRG's senior investment team has experience originating, executing and integrating accretive acquisitions into existing platform investments, as well as creating strategic partnerships with carriers, utilities, broadcasters and real estate owners, many of which have been sourced on a proprietary basis.
  - **Dynamic Portfolio Company Balance Sheet Management**—We have substantial institutional relationships with leading international banks and bond investors. Certain of DBRG's senior investment team members were among the first to engage in the securitization of digital infrastructure assets and are experienced issuers in the market. We believe that these structures generally allow for higher leverage, lower interest cost, fixed rates, longer term maturities and more favorable amortization as compared to general secured/unsecured or subordinated debt instruments more commonly employed, and because there are fewer debt covenants, there is an added margin of safety to the portfolio company's balance sheet.
- **Products**—Provide flexible and creative solutions across the capital structure to digital real estate and infrastructure companies around the **world world**.
- **Prudent Leverage**—Structuring transactions with the appropriate amount of leverage, if any, based on the risk, duration and structure of cash flows of the underlying **asset asset**.

Our investment strategy is dynamic and flexible, which enables us to adapt to global shifts in economic, real estate and capital market conditions and to exploit any inefficiencies therein. Consistent with this strategy, in order to capitalize on investment opportunities that may be present in various points of an economic cycle, we may expand or change our investment strategy and/or target assets over time as appropriate.

Assessing and managing risk is a significant component of our investment strategy. In applying our risk management framework, we leverage our institutional knowledge in the digital infrastructure sector across both our equity and credit platforms.

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### **Underwriting and Investment Process**

In connection with the execution of any new investment on behalf of our funds, our underwriting team undertakes a comprehensive and disciplined due diligence process to seek an understanding of the material risks involved with making such investment, in addition to related legal, financial and business considerations. If the risks can be sufficiently mitigated in relation to the potential return, we will typically pursue the investment on behalf of our funds, subject to approval from the investment committee of the fund, composed of senior executives of DBRG.

Critical areas in our evaluation of investment opportunities are the quality of the target company's assets and credit quality of its customers. Our focus on a target company's asset quality centers around location, replacement cost, speed and ability to replicate an asset, competition in the market and cost of churn or customer switching. In terms of a target company's customer profile, in addition to credit ratings, the size of a customer's balance sheet and capitalization, and the structure and duration of customer contracts are key indicators in our evaluation. Additionally, another fundamental tenet in our investment process is the structuring of our debt investments for downside protection. Our structuring considerations focus on the seniority of our debt product within the borrower's capital structure, quality of the underlying security, adequacy of financial covenants and other affirmative and/or negative covenants, among other factors.

In addition to evaluating the merits of any particular proposed investment, we evaluate the diversification of our fund's portfolio of assets. Prior to making a final investment decision, we determine whether a target asset will cause the portfolio of assets to be too heavily concentrated with, or cause too much risk exposure to, any one sector, geographic region, source of cash flow such as customers or borrowers, or other geopolitical issues. If we determine that a proposed investment presents excessive concentration risk, we may decide not to pursue an otherwise attractive investment.

### **Portfolio Management**

Our comprehensive portfolio management process revolves around active management of our portfolio companies and active monitoring of our credit investments early in the process. These activities include, but are not limited to, focusing on improving operational efficiency and seeking to minimize the cost of capital at our portfolio companies. We also capitalize on DBRG's experience and relationships in the digital infrastructure industry to both access opportunities for growth and address improvements or weaknesses identified at our portfolio companies. With respect to our credit investments, we maintain regular dialogue with our corporate borrowers and perform reviews (at least quarterly or more frequently) to assess investment and borrower credit ratings and financial performance, which enable us to consistently monitor risk of loss, and evaluate and maximize recoveries. Our active involvement allows us to proactively manage our investment risk, and identify issues and trends on a portfolio-wide basis across our portfolio companies and corporate borrowers.

### **Allocation Procedures**

In order to address the risk of potential conflicts of interest among our managed investment vehicles, we have implemented an investment allocation policy consistent with our duty as a registered investment adviser to treat our managed investment vehicles fairly and equitably over time. Our policy provides that investment allocation decisions are to be based on a suitability assessment involving a review of numerous factors, including the investment objectives for a particular source of capital, available cash, diversification/concentration, leverage policy, the size of the investment, tax factors, anticipated pipeline of suitable investments, fund life and existing contractual obligations such as first-look rights and non-compete covenants.

### **Managing Our Funds**

We generally manage third party capital through our sponsorship of limited partnerships that are structured primarily as closed-end funds. Acting as general partner and investment adviser of the fund, we have the authority and discretion to manage and operate the business and affairs of the fund, and are responsible for all investment decisions on behalf of the limited partner investors of the fund. We also manage co-investment vehicles in which investors co-invest with our funds in portfolio companies or other fund assets. With respect to our Liquid Strategies, our investment management activities are conducted through open-end fund structures and sub-advisory accounts with defined mandates.

As investment adviser, we earn management fees and incentive fees, and as general partner or equivalent, we may be entitled to carried interest.

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**Management Fees**—Management fees for equity funds are calculated generally at contractual rates ranging from 0.2% between 0.64% per annum to 1.5% and 1.60% per annum of investors' committed capital during the commitment period, of the vehicle, and thereafter, contributed or invested capital; capital (subject to certain reductions for net asset value or NAV write-downs); at contractual rates between 0.25% per annum and 1.10% per annum of invested capital from inception for Credit and co-investment vehicles; and at contractual rates between 0.30% per annum and 1.25% per annum based upon net asset value NAV for vehicles in the Liquid Strategies. Strategies and gross asset value ("GAV") for certain Infrabridge co-investment vehicles. Also, certain co-investment vehicles charge a one-time fee upfront at contractual rates between 0.15% and 2.00% of committed capital, generally to be paid in tranches.

**Incentive Fees**—We earn incentive fees from sub-advisory accounts in our Liquid Strategies. Incentive fees are performance-based, measured either annually or over a shorter period. Generally, incentive fees are recognized at the end of the performance measurement period when the fees are not likely to be subject to reversal.

**Carried Interest**—Carried interest represents a disproportionate allocation of returns to us as general partner based upon the extent to which cumulative performance of a sponsored fund exceeds minimum return hurdles. Carried interest generally arises when appreciation in value of the underlying investments of the fund exceeds the minimum return hurdles, after factoring in a return of invested capital and a return of certain costs of the fund pursuant to terms of the governing documents of the fund. The amount of carried interest recognized is based upon the cumulative performance of the fund if it were liquidated as of the reporting date. Unrealized carried interest is driven by changes in fair value of the underlying investments of the fund, which could be affected by various factors, including but not limited to the financial performance of the portfolio company, economic

conditions, foreign exchange rates, comparable transactions in the market, and equity prices for publicly traded securities. Unrealized carried interest may be subject to reversal until such time it is realized. Realization of carried interest occurs upon disposition of all underlying investments of the fund, or in part with each disposition.

Generally, carried interest is distributed upon profitable disposition of an investment if at the time of distribution, cumulative returns of the fund exceed minimum return hurdles. Depending on the final realized value of all investments at the end of the life of a fund (and, with respect to certain funds, periodically during the life of the fund), if it is determined that cumulative carried interest distributions have exceeded the final carried interest amount earned (or amount earned as of the calculation date), we are obligated to return the excess carried interest received. Therefore, carried interest distributions may be subject to clawback if decline in investment values results in cumulative performance of the fund falling below minimum return hurdles in the interim period. If it is determined that the Company has a clawback obligation, a liability would be established based upon a hypothetical liquidation of the net assets of the fund at reporting date. The actual determination and required payment of any clawback obligation would generally occur after final disposition of the investments of the fund or otherwise as set forth in the governing documents of the fund.

**Allocation of Incentive Fees and Carried Interest**—A portion of incentive fees and carried interest earned by us are allocable to senior management, investment professionals, and certain other employees and former employees, and for certain funds, to a third party investor, Wafra. These allocations are generally not paid to the recipients until the related incentive fees and carried interest amounts are distributed by the funds to us. If the related carried interest distributions received by us are subject to clawback, the previously distributed carried interest would be similarly subject to clawback from the recipients. We generally withhold a portion of the distribution of carried interest to satisfy the employee and former employee recipients' potential clawback obligation.

## Our Fund Capital Investments

As general partner, we have minimum capital commitments to our sponsored funds. With respect to certain of our flagship DBP value-add sponsored funds, we have made additional capital commitments to DigitalBridge Partners, LP ("DBP I") and DigitalBridge Partners II, LP ("DBP II") as a general partner affiliate alongside our limited partner investors. Our capital commitments are funded with cash and not through deferral of management fees or carried interest. Our fund capital investments further align our interests to our investors.

## Competition

As an investment manager, we primarily compete for capital from outside investors and in our pursuit and execution of investment opportunities on behalf of our investment funds. We face competition in capital formation and in acquiring investments in portfolio companies at attractive prices.

The ability to source capital from outside investors will depend upon our reputation, investment track record, pricing and terms of our investment management services, and market environment for capital raising, among other factors. We compete with other investment managers focused on or active in digital real estate and infrastructure including other private equity sponsors, credit and hedge fund sponsors and REITs, who may have greater financial resources, longer track records, more established relationships and more attractive fees and other fund terms.

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The ability to transact on attractive investments will depend upon our reputation and track record on execution, capital availability, cost of capital, pricing, tolerance for risk, and number of potential buyers, among other factors. We face competition from a variety of institutional investors, including investment managers of private equity and infrastructure, credit and hedge funds, REITs, specialty finance companies, commercial and investment banks, commercial finance and insurance companies, and other financial institutions. Some of these competitors may have greater financial resources, access to lower cost of capital and access to funding sources that may not be available to us. In addition, some of our competitors may have higher risk tolerances or different risk assessments, which could allow them to consider a wider variety of investments, or pay higher prices.

In our Operating segment, we compete with numerous data center providers who own and/or operate hyperscale or colocation data centers in similar metropolitan areas. Our competitors may have pre-existing relationships with current or potential customers, ownership and/or operation of larger portfolios of data centers that are geographically diversified, access to less expensive power, and more robust interconnected hubs in certain geographic areas. Competition may result in pricing pressures or may require us to incur additional costs that we otherwise might not choose to incur in order to upgrade our data center space, all of which may adversely affect the profitability of our data centers. Additionally, certain large enterprises may choose to build and operate their own data centers and cease to be our customers, or otherwise reduce the pool of potential customers in the market.

We also face competition in the recruitment and retention of qualified and skilled personnel. Our ability to continue to compete effectively in our business will depend upon our ability to attract new employees and retain and motivate our existing employees.

An increase in increasing competition in competition across the various components of our business investment management industry may limit our ability to generate attractive risk-adjusted returns for our stockholders, thereby adversely affecting the market price of our common stock.

## Customers

Our Investment Management segment investment management business has over 100 institutional investors that form our diverse, global investor base, including but not limited to: public and private pensions, sovereign wealth funds, asset managers, insurance companies, and endowments.

In our Operating segment, our data centers are leased to approximately 2,900 customers, with the largest customers in the information technology and communications sectors. In 2022, property operating income from a single customer accounted for approximately 18% of the Company's total revenues from continuing operations, or approximately 8% of the Company's share of total revenues from continuing operations, net of noncontrolling interests.

## Seasonality

We generally do not experience pronounced seasonality in our business.

## Regulatory and Compliance Matters

Our business, as well as the financial services industry, generally are subject to extensive regulation, including periodic examinations by governmental agencies and self-regulatory organizations or exchanges in the U.S. and foreign jurisdictions in which we operate relating to, among other things, antitrust laws, anti-money laundering laws, anti-bribery laws relating to foreign officials, tax laws, foreign investment laws and privacy laws with respect to client and other information, and some of our funds invest in businesses that operate in highly regulated industries. The legal and regulatory requirements applicable to our business are ever evolving and may become more restrictive, which may make compliance with applicable requirements more difficult or expensive or otherwise restrict our ability to conduct our business activities in the manner in which they are now conducted. Any failure to comply with these rules and regulations could limit our ability to carry on particular activities or expose us to liability and/or reputational damage. See Item 1A. "Risk Factors—Regulatory Risks."

#### **Investment Management and Operating segments. Advisers Act of 1940**

##### **Transition to Taxable C Corporation**

Following a completion All of the Company's business transformation investment advisers of our investment funds operating in the first quarter of 2022 and due to the pace of growth of its U.S. are registered as investment management business and other strategic transactions that it may pursue, the Company's Board of Directors and management agreed to discontinue actions necessary to maintain qualification as a REIT for 2022. Commencing advisers with the taxable year ended December 31, 2022, all SEC under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Advisers Act") (other investment advisers (or the Company's taxable income, except for income generated by subsidiaries that have elected or anticipate electing REIT status, is subject to U.S. federal and state income tax at the applicable corporate tax rate. Dividends paid to stockholders equivalent) may be registered in non-U.S. jurisdictions). As a result, we are no longer tax deductible. The Company is also no longer subject to the REIT requirement anti-fraud provisions of the Investment Advisers Act and to applicable fiduciary duties derived from these provisions that apply to our relationships with the investment vehicles that we manage. These provisions and duties impose restrictions and obligations on us with respect to our dealings with our investors and our investments, including, for distributions example, restrictions on agency, cross and principal transactions, and transactions with affiliated service providers. We, or our registered investment adviser subsidiaries, will be subject to stockholders when periodic SEC examinations and other requirements under the Company has taxable income.

Investment Advisers Act and related regulations primarily intended to benefit advisory clients. These additional requirements relate, among other things, to maintaining an effective and comprehensive compliance program, recordkeeping and reporting requirements and disclosure requirements. Examinations of private fund advisers have resulted in a range of actions, including deficiency letters and, where appropriate, referrals to the Division of Enforcement of the SEC. The Company anticipates that operating as a taxable C Corporation will provide Investment Advisers Act generally grants the Company with flexibility SEC broad administrative powers, including the power to execute various strategic initiatives without the constraints of complying with REIT requirements. This includes retaining and reinvesting earnings in other new initiatives limit or restrict an investment adviser from conducting advisory activities in the event it fails to comply with federal securities laws. Additional sanctions that may be imposed for failure to comply with applicable requirements include the prohibition of individuals from associating with an investment management business, adviser, the revocation of registrations and other censures and fines. We expect continued focus by the SEC on private fund advisers and a continuing high level of SEC enforcement activity under the current administration.

The Company's transition In August 2023, the SEC voted to a taxable C Corporation is not expected adopt previously proposed new rules and amendments to result in significant incremental current income tax expense in existing rules under the near term due Investment Advisers Act (collectively, the "Private Funds Rules") specifically related to the availability of significant capital loss investment advisers and NOL carryforwards. Furthermore, earnings from the Company's investment management business, which is conducted through its previously designated taxable REIT subsidiaries ("TRS"), were already subject to U.S. federal and state income tax; their

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Regulations activities with respect to private funds they advise. In particular, the Private Funds Rules will, among other changes, impose quarterly reporting by private funds to investors that is required to contain detailed information on performance, investments, adviser-compensation, fees and expenses, capital inflows and capital outflows; require registered investment advisers to obtain an annual audit for all private funds that meets the requirements of the existing Investment Advisers Act custody rule; require registered investment advisers to obtain a fairness or valuation opinion and make certain disclosures, in connection with adviser-led secondary transactions (also known as GP-led secondaries); restrict advisers from engaging in certain practices unless they satisfy certain disclosure requirements and, in some cases, consent requirements, which practices include, without limitation, charging certain regulatory or compliance fees or expenses, or fees or expenses associated with an examination, of the investment adviser or its related persons to private fund clients, seeking reimbursement for certain investigation-related expenses, reducing the amount of the general partner's clawback by actual, potential or hypothetical taxes applicable to the general partner or its employees, borrowing from a private fund, making non-pro rata fee or expense allocations; restrict advisers from engaging in certain forms of preferential treatment to private fund investors related to liquidity and information rights if they would be reasonably expected to have a material negative effect on other investors and otherwise require advisers to make certain disclosures regarding preferential treatment of investors; and prohibit an adviser from having a private fund bear the costs of any fees or expenses related to an investigation resulting in a court or governmental authority imposing a sanction for violating the Investment Advisers Act. The Private Funds Rules also impose additional requirements on advisers to document their annual compliance reviews in writing and retain additional required books and records relating to private funds they advise. Although the legality of the Private Funds Rules is currently being challenged in federal court, it is uncertain whether this legal challenge will succeed.

The SEC has also recently proposed, and can be expected to propose, additional new rules and rule amendments under the Investment Advisers Act including in respect of additional Form PF reporting obligations (in addition to those recently adopted), predictive data analytics, custody requirements, cybersecurity risk governance, the use of predictive data analytics or similar technologies, the outsourcing of certain functions to service providers and changes to Regulation S-P (the "Other Proposed Rules"). The Private Funds Rules, and the Other Proposed Rules, to the extent adopted, are expected to significantly increase compliance burdens and associated costs and complexity. This regulatory complexity, in turn, may increase the need for broader insurance coverage by fund managers and increase such costs and expenses. Certain of the proposed rules may also (i) increase the cost of entering into and maintaining relationships with service providers; (ii) limit the number of service providers; and/or (iii) increase the costs of engaging with service providers, in each case, in a detrimental manner. In addition, these amendments could increase the risk of exposure to additional regulatory scrutiny, litigation, censure and penalties for noncompliance or perceived noncompliance, which in turn would be expected to adversely (potentially materially) affect our reputation. There can be no assurance that the Private Funds Rules, the Other Proposed Rules or any other new SEC rules and amendments will not have a material adverse effect on us.

#### **Investment Company Act of 1940**

An issuer will generally be deemed to be an "investment company" for purposes of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), and the rules and regulations of the SEC thereunder if: it is or holds itself out as being engaged primarily, or proposes to engage primarily, in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities; or, absent an applicable exemption or exception, it owns or proposes to acquire investment securities having a value exceeding 40% of the value of its total assets (exclusive of U.S. government securities and cash items) on an unconsolidated basis (the "40% test").

We do not propose to engage primarily in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities. We hold ourselves out as an investment management firm engaged primarily in deploying and managing capital in digital infrastructure assets, and we believe that we are not an investment company under the 40% test. We also believe that the nature of our assets and the sources of our income allow us to qualify for the exception from the 40% test provided by Rule 3a-1 under the Investment Company 1940 Act. In addition, we also believe that we are excepted from the definition of investment company pursuant to section 3(b)(1) of the 1940 Act because we are primarily engaged in a non-investment company business. Certain of our subsidiaries rely on exemptions under section 3(c)(5)(C) and 3(c)(6) of the 1940 Act for companies engaged primarily in investing in real estate and real-estate assets or for holding companies of companies engaged in such activities. In addition, many of our wholly owned subsidiaries rely on the exemption under section 3(c)(7) because all of their outstanding securities are owned by other subsidiaries of ours that are not investment companies.

We view the capital interests we hold in investment vehicles that we also manage not to be investment securities as defined under the 1940 Act for purposes of the 40% test, regardless of whether these interests are general partner interests or limited partner interests, or the equivalent of either in other forms of organization. Many of our investments in entities that own digital infrastructure assets consist of limited partner or similar interests owned by our subsidiaries in entities that they or other subsidiaries manage as general partner or managing member. The courts and the SEC staff have provided little guidance regarding the characterization for purposes of the 1940 Act of a limited partner interest or its

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equivalent in circumstances such as ours, but we believe, based on our understanding of applicable legal principles, that limited partner and equivalent interests do not constitute investment securities in this context. Our determination that we are not an investment company under the 40% test is in part based upon the characterization of our limited partner or similar interests in entities that we control as general partner or managing member as not being investment securities. We can provide no assurance that a court would agree with our analysis under the 40% test if it were to be challenged by the SEC or a contractual counterparty.

The 1940 Act and the rules thereunder contain detailed requirements for the organization and operations of investment companies. Among other things, the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder impose substantial regulation with respect to the capital structure (including the ability to use leverage), management, operations, transactions with affiliated persons (as defined in the 1940 Act), portfolio composition, including restrictions with respect to diversification and industry concentration, and other matters with respect to entities deemed to be investment companies. We intend to conduct our operations so that we will not be deemed to be an investment company under the 1940 Act. If the assets that we or our subsidiaries own fail to satisfy the 40% limitation (or for certain subsidiaries, other exemptions or exceptions) and we do not qualify for an exception or exemption from the 1940 Act under Rule 3a-1 or otherwise, we or our subsidiaries may be required to, among other things: (i) substantially change the manner in which we conduct our operations or the assets that we own to avoid being required to register as an investment company under the 1940 Act; or (ii) register as an investment company under the 1940 Act. Either of (i) or (ii) could have an adverse effect on us and the market price of our securities.

### **Data Privacy Regulation**

Many jurisdictions in which we operate have laws and regulations relating to data privacy, cybersecurity and protection of personal information, including the General Data Protection Regulation under ("GDPR"), a European Union ("EU") regulation that imposes detailed requirements related to the Investment Advisers collection, storage, and use of personal information related to people located in the EU (or which is processed in the context of EU operations) and places data protection obligations and restrictions on organizations, a similar framework in the United Kingdom (the "UK GDPR"), and various privacy laws applicable to individuals residing in the United States, including the California Consumer Privacy Act of 1940

We have subsidiaries that are registered with the "SEC" as investment advisers under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, (the "CCPA"), as amended (the "Investment Advisers Act"). As a result, we by the California Privacy Rights Act. See Item 1A. "Risk Factors—Regulatory Risks—Privacy and data protection regulations are subject to the anti-fraud provisions of the Investment Advisers Act complex and to applicable fiduciary duties derived from these provisions that apply to our relationships with the investment vehicles that we manage. These provisions and duties impose restrictions and obligations on us with respect to our dealings with our investors and our investments, including, for example, restrictions on agency, cross and principal transactions, and transactions with affiliated service providers. We, rapidly evolving areas. Any failure or our registered investment adviser subsidiaries, will be subject to periodic SEC examinations and other requirements under the Investment Advisers Act and related regulations primarily intended to benefit advisory clients. These additional requirements relate, among other things, to maintaining an effective and comprehensive compliance program, recordkeeping and reporting requirements and disclosure requirements. Examinations of private fund advisers have resulted in a range of actions, including deficiency letters and, where appropriate, referrals to the Division of Enforcement. The Investment Advisers Act generally

grants the SEC broad administrative powers, including the power to limit or restrict an investment adviser from conducting advisory activities in the event it fails to comply with federal securities laws. Additional sanctions that may be imposed for alleged failure to comply with these laws could harm our business, reputation, financial condition, and operating results."

### **Regulated Entities Outside of the United States**

Certain of our subsidiaries and the funds that we manage that operate in jurisdictions outside of the United States are licensed by or have obtained authorizations to operate in their respective jurisdictions outside of the United States, and as a result are regulated by various international regulators and subject to applicable regulation. These registrations, licenses or authorizations relate to providing investment advice, discretionary investment management, arranging deals, marketing securities, capital markets activities and/or other regulated activities. Failure to comply with the laws and regulations governing these subsidiaries that have been registered, licensed or authorized could expose us to liability and/or damage our reputation. Outside of the U.S., certain of our subsidiaries and the funds that we manage are subject to regulation in numerous jurisdictions, including the EU, the United Kingdom, Luxembourg, Cayman Islands, Hong Kong, Singapore and Abu Dhabi.

### **Culture of Compliance**

Rigorous legal and compliance analysis of our businesses and investments is important to our culture. We strive to maintain a culture of compliance through the use of policies and procedures, such as our code of ethics, compliance systems, communication of compliance guidance and employee education and training. We have a compliance group that monitors our compliance with the regulatory requirements include to which we are subject and manages our compliance policies and procedures. Our Chief Compliance Officer supervises our compliance group, which is responsible for addressing all regulatory and compliance matters that affect our activities. Our compliance policies and procedures



address a variety of regulatory and compliance risks such as the prohibition handling of individuals from associating with an material non-public information, personal securities trading, anti-bribery, anti-money laundering (including know-your-customer controls), valuation of investments on a fund-specific basis, document retention, potential conflicts of interest and the allocation of investment adviser opportunities.

Our compliance group also monitors the revocation of registrations and other censures and fines, information barriers that we maintain between DigitalBridge's businesses. We expect continued focus by the SEC on private fund advisers and a continuing high level of SEC enforcement activity under the current administration.

For additional information regarding regulations applicable believe that our various businesses' access to the Company, refer to Item 1A. "Risk Factors." intellectual knowledge and contacts and relationships that reside throughout our firm benefits all of our businesses. To maximize that access and related synergies without compromising compliance with our legal and contractual obligations, our compliance group oversees and monitors the communications between groups that are on the private side of our information barrier and groups that are on the public side, as well as

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between different public side groups. Our compliance group also monitors contractual obligations that may be impacted and potential conflicts that may arise in connection with these inter-group discussions.

## Human Capital Resources

We believe that our people are our most important asset. asset and we are focused on attracting, retaining, developing and advancing the best talent for DigitalBridge. We strive to foster a diverse, equitable and inclusive work environment which is paramount to the execution of our business strategy. We nurture the values of entrepreneurship, intellectual curiosity and agility which are core to our culture. We believe that our people, culture and specialization in the digital infrastructure space position us to deliver long-term success for our stockholders and fund investors.

### Talent Management

We have approximately 300 employees, of which approximately 68% are in the U.S. with the remaining in our international locations. None of our U.S. employees are represented by a labor union or covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

We pursue several strategic paths to attract, retain, develop and advance top talent. First, we seek to enhance our employer brand recognition and broaden the pool of talent through partnerships with many colleges, collaboration with leading recruiting firms and diversity organizations and leveraging long-standing industry relationships. Second, we are focused on shaping the employee experience by establishing a consistent and market competitive set of practices and monitoring employee engagement. Third, we continuously work to enhance leadership capabilities, individual performance and growth by providing a wide range of learning and professional development opportunities, both formally and informally, and ensuring every employee receives 360-degree feedback on their performance and their developmental opportunities.

### Diversity

We are focused on fostering a diverse workforce with different perspectives, experiences, and backgrounds to encourage innovative and creative ideas, and ultimately lead to our collective success.

We have approximately 300 employees, of which approximately 67% are in the U.S. with the remaining in our international locations. Other than our international employees, none of our U.S. employees are represented by a labor union or covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

### Diversity and Inclusion

We have established a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Steering Committee, which meets quarterly to establish and monitor progress on our hiring and retention goals related to diversity. Since 2021, the Steering Committee has led a series of diversity, equity and inclusion trainings for our employees to support our approach.

We recognize that a diverse investment team enhances our ability to source, evaluate and manage an attractive and differentiated set of investment opportunities within the digital infrastructure sector. We also support our portfolio company management teams, many of whom come from underrepresented groups, to create and/or augment existing diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. opportunities. We have created established a four-pillar program steering committee to facilitate the composition of a diverse workforce reflective of the constituencies and communities we serve, which focuses on the following:

**Mentorships:** We have partnered with Big Brothers Big Sisters in New York (BBBS) to implement a program that enables employees to work with high school students from the tenth grade through high school graduation. The program launched in our New York office with students from the Uncommon Charter High School, and we are exploring extending the program to our other offices. In addition, the Company has formed a partnership with The Armory Foundation, to, among other things, assist with the Armory College Prep program for underprivileged students in Washington Heights.

**Internships:** We have developed an internship program to help build a talent pipeline of candidates from underrepresented groups for investment professional positions, committing to hiring at least 50% candidates from underrepresented groups, including through organizations such as Seizing Every Opportunity (SEO), Toigo, and One Search Young Women in Finance (UK) and Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), such as Florida A&M University (FAMU). In 2022, we had 25 interns participate in our internship program.

**Recruiting/Hiring:** A particular focus of the Company recently has been to improve the gender and ethnic support diversity of our investment team. In 2022, 45% opportunities by broadening our talent pools, encouraging retention of our hires were female employees, and 62% of hires were from a traditionally underrepresented ethnic group. We have continued to expand the diversity of the pool of candidates that we recruit from, providing best-in-class training and as a result of these concerted efforts, increased the number of employees from traditionally underrepresented groups across our organization by 11.5% between December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2022.

**Career Path/Compensation:** We believe that cultivating diversity at more junior levels within our organization, coupled with ensuring our employees have development opportunities to excel and grow in their careers at DigitalBridge, will strengthen our ability to foster diversity at more senior levels. Many of our professionals have been promoted from within and, as the diversity of our junior professionals continues to grow, we expect to see even greater diversity across the senior levels of the Company.

In addition, our employees. Our dedication to fostering diversity and inclusion is also supported by our Company's board of directors, five out of its nine members of whom are women and/or people of color.

## Compensation and Benefits Program

Our compensation program is designed to attract and reward talented individuals who possess the skills necessary to support our business objectives, assist in the achievement of our strategic goals and create long-term value for our stockholders. We provide employees with compensation packages that include base salary, annual incentive bonuses tied to specific performance goals, and, generally for all mid-level and above employees, long-term equity awards tied to time-based vesting conditions and in the case of our executive officers the relative value of our stock price as compared to our peers. We believe that a compensation program with both short-term and long-term awards provides fair and competitive compensation and aligns

employee and stockholder interests, including by incentivizing business and individual performance (pay for performance), motivating based on long-term company performance and integrating compensation with our business plans. We commission a customized compensation benchmark survey annually to ensure our compensation packages are competitive and in-market. In-market and this year we also introduced compensation structures to ensure market and internal equity. In addition, we also offer employees benefits such as life and health (medical, dental and vision) insurance, paid time off, paid parental leave, charitable gift matching, a student loan paydown program and a 401(k) plan and a recently introduced training and development program with Franklin Covey, plan.

## Community Involvement

We aim seek to give back to the communities where we live, work and operate by participating in local, national and global causes, and believe that this commitment helps in our efforts to attract and retain employees. Recent involvement has included support to Télécoms Sans Frontières, an emergency technology non-governmental organization which intervenes in the context of humanitarian crises, conflict zones and areas hit by natural disasters, and mentorship to youth and high school students through partnerships with Big Brothers Big Sisters in New York. Our employees serve as the ambassadors of our social responsibility values, which they share through volunteering and charitable giving.

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## Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG")

We believe aim to develop resilient companies and competitive assets that integrating deliver long-term value for our investors. ESG considerations into our business principles have long informed the way we run the Company, approach investing and partner with the management teams in our portfolio companies is an essential element companies. In recent years we have formalized our approach by building a dedicated team of professionals to support ESG integration across the DBRG business units as well as at our continued success. portfolio companies. We also have a cross-functional ESG Committee that steers the Company's ESG program, including helping to develop initiatives designed to improve related performance metrics and disclosures. This committee presents ESG data and updates at the DBRG and portfolio company level on a quarterly basis to our Board of Directors, who exercise oversight of the Company's ESG program and strategy.

## Our ESG Process for Investment Management

We have a Responsible Investment Policy that guides the integration of macro-level and company-specific ESG considerations throughout our investment lifecycle. Development of this policy was informed by relevant third-party standards, best practices and global initiatives, including the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI), Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

We focus on the most relevant ESG issues which we have prioritized according to two criteria: those that have the greatest potential impact on our business and/or our portfolio companies; and those that are the most important to our stakeholders. companies. The result is a targeted universe of priority issues as follows:

- Climate Change: Energy Efficiency, Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Physical Climate Risks
- Data Privacy, Data Security and Associated Human Rights
- Diversity Equity and Inclusion Talent Management
- Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption
- Workplace Health and Safety
- Data Privacy and Data Security

We seek use a framework to integrate these ESG considerations into our investment process through that guides our analysis of material ESG factors during both due diligence and ongoing asset management to inform our investment decision-making and support implementation of ESG best practices at our portfolio companies. We provide guidance and resources to our portfolio companies with respect to accelerate their ESG initiatives and actively engage with the ESG leadership at each of our portfolio companies to manage and report on a common set of core key performance indicators and ESG metrics. We also have a Responsible Lending Policy that applies to our credit products, which have a fundamentally different position to engage with underlying companies on ESG issues. As a credit investor in digital infrastructure, we are committed to encouraging and engaging co-lending parties to integrate the integration of ESG issues into transaction documentation and lending terms, where possible.

Additional information about We are also committed to advancing transparency of our ESG program is set forth in our sustainability practices. We publish an annual ESG report that is publicly available in the Responsibility section of the Company's website.

Anti-ESG sentiment has gained momentum across the U.S., with several states and Congress having proposed or enacted "anti-ESG" policies, legislation or initiatives, or issued related legal opinions. Additionally, asset and investment managers have been subject to recent scrutiny related to ESG-focused industry working groups, initiatives, and associations, including organizations advancing action to address climate change, climate-related risks, or diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. Such anti-ESG policies, legislation, initiatives and scrutiny could expose the Company and its managed funds to the risk of litigation, antitrust investigations or challenges and enforcement by state or federal authorities, result in injunctions, penalties and reputational harm and require or lead certain investors to divest or discourage certain investors from investing in the Company

or its Funds. The Company or its Funds could become subject to additional regulation, regulatory scrutiny, penalties and enforcement in the future, and the Company cannot guarantee that its current approach will meet future regulatory requirements, reporting frameworks or best practices, increasing the risk of related enforcement. The consideration of ESG and/or impact factors (including but not limited to greenhouse gas emissions avoided or diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives) is undertaken solely for the purposes of maximizing the financial return to our shareholders and managed fund participants. See "Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—We are subject to increasing focus by our fund investors, our stockholders, regulators and other stakeholders on environmental, social and governance matters."

#### Available Information

Our website address is [www.digitalbridge.com](http://www.digitalbridge.com). Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this Annual Report and such information does not constitute part of this report and any other report or documents the Company files with or furnishes to the SEC.

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Our annual reports on Form 10-K (including this Annual Report), quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, proxy statements, and any amendments thereof are available on our website under "Shareholders—SEC Filings," as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC, and may be viewed at the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Copies are also available without charge from DigitalBridge Investor Relations. Information regarding our corporate governance, including our corporate governance guidelines, code of ethics and charters of committees of the Board of Directors, are available on our website under "Shareholders—Corporate Governance," and any amendment to our corporate governance documents will be posted within the time period required.

by the rules of the SEC and the [NYSE, New York Stock Exchange \("NYSE"\)](#). In addition, corporate presentations are also made available on our website from time to time under "Shareholders—Events & Presentations."

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#### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

*The following risk factors and other information included in this Annual Report should be carefully considered. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us that we currently deem immaterial or that generally apply to all businesses also may adversely impact our business. If any of the following risks occur, our business, financial condition, operating results, cash flow and liquidity could be materially adversely affected.*

#### Risks Related to Our Business

**We require capital to continue to operate and grow our business, and the failure to obtain such capital, either through the public or private markets or other third-party sources of capital, would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and ability to maintain our distributions to our stockholders.**

We require capital to fund acquisitions and originations of our target investments, to fund our operations, including overhead costs, to fund distributions to our stockholders and to repay principal and interest on our borrowings. We expect to meet our capital requirements using cash on hand, cash flow generated from our operations and investment management activities, sale proceeds from non-core investments and principal and interest payments received from legacy debt investments. However, we may also have to rely on third-party sources of capital, including public and private offerings of securities and debt financings.

In addition, the fee income generated from or expected to be generated from our current and future managed investment vehicles is driven, both directly and indirectly, by the ability to raise capital at such investment vehicles. Our ability to raise capital at our Company, as well as at our current and future managed investment vehicles, through the public and private capital markets depends on a number of factors, including many that are outside our control, such as the general economic environment, the regulatory environment, competition in the marketplace, media attention and investor investment allocation preferences. Poor performance by, or negative publicity about, our Company, our strategy, our management or our managed companies could also make it more difficult for us or our managed investment vehicles to raise new capital. Investors in our managed companies may decline to invest in future vehicles we manage, and investors may withdraw their investments in our managed companies (subject to the terms of agreements with such managed company) as a result of poor performance or negative perceptions of our Company or our leadership. In addition, third-party financing may not be available to us when needed, on favorable terms, or at all. If we are unable to obtain adequate financing to fund or grow our business, it would have a material adverse effect on our ability to acquire additional assets and make our debt service payments and our financial condition, results of operations and the ability to fund our distributions to our stockholders would be materially adversely affected.

**Adverse changes in general economic Difficult market and political conditions could adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.**

Our business is materially affected by general economic and political conditions and events throughout the world, such as changes in interest rates, fiscal and monetary stimulus and withdrawal of stimulus, availability of credit, inflation rates, economic uncertainty, changes in laws (including laws relating to taxation), trade barriers, commodity prices, currency exchange rates and controls, national and international political circumstances (including wars, terrorist acts or security operations) and responses to widespread health events, such as the ongoing novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and our ability to manage our exposure to these conditions may be very limited. These conditions and/or events can adversely affect our business in many ways, including by reducing the ability of our managed vehicles funds to raise or deploy capital, reducing the value or performance of our investments and the investments made by our managed vehicles funds and making it more difficult for us and our managed vehicles to realize value from existing investments. Adverse changes in market and economic conditions in the United States or the countries or regions in which we or our managed vehicles funds invest would likely have a negative impact on the value of our assets and spending and demand for digital and communications infrastructure and technology and, accordingly, our and our managed vehicle's funds' financial performance, the market prices of our securities, and our ability to pay dividends.



The condition of the digital infrastructure and real estate markets in which we operate is cyclical and depends on the condition of the economy in the United States, Europe, Asia U.S. and other foreign markets where we operate as a whole and on the perceptions of investors of the overall economic outlook. In 2022, persistent developed economies have recently been experiencing higher-than-normal inflation rates. It remains uncertain whether substantial inflation in the United States U.S. and other countries led developed economies will be sustained over an extended period of time or have a significant effect on the United States Federal Reserve and U.S. or other central banks to take actions to raise interest rates. Rising economies. Inflation, rising interest rates, declining employment levels, declining demand for real estate, digital infrastructure, declining real estate values or periods of general economic slowdown or recession, increasing political instability or uncertainty, or the perception that any of these events may occur have negatively impacted the digital infrastructure and real estate markets in the past and may in the future negatively impact the performance of our operating performance, investments, resulting in a more difficult fund raising environment and reducing exit opportunities in which to realize the value of our investments. During periods of difficult market or economic conditions (which may occur across one or more industries or geographies), the various companies or assets in which we have investments may experience several issues, including decreased revenues, increased costs, credit rating downgrades, difficulty in obtaining financing and even severe financial losses or insolvency.

In addition, political uncertainty may contribute to potential risks beyond our control, such as changes in governmental policy on a variety of matters including trade, manufacturing, development and investment, the restructuring of trade agreements, and uncertainties associated with political gridlock. Any such changes The current U.S. political environment and the resulting uncertainties regarding actual and potential shifts in U.S. or international political conditions, or political uncertainty foreign investment, trade, taxation, economic, environmental and instability, other policies, as well as the impact of geopolitical tension, such as a deterioration in the territories bilateral relationship between the U.S. and countries where we China or further escalations in the Russia-Ukraine war or Gaza-Israel conflict, could lead to disruption, instability and volatility in the global markets, which may also have an impact on our tenants investments and customers operate could adversely affect our operating results, our business and the market price exit opportunities in negatively impacted sectors or geographies.

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We have only a limited ability to change our portfolio promptly in response to changing economic, political or other conditions, which impedes us from responding quickly to changes in the performance of our investments and could adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations. Additionally, certain of our significant expenditures, such as debt service costs, real estate taxes, and operating and maintenance costs, are generally not reduced when market conditions are poor.

**We invest Our business depends in large part on our ability to raise capital from investors. If we were unable to raise such capital, we would be unable to collect management fees or deploy such capital into investments, which would materially reduce our revenues and cash flow and adversely affect our financial condition.**

Our ability to raise capital from investors depends on a wide array number of factors, including many that are outside our control. For example, investors may downsize their investment allocations to alternative asset classes within managers to rebalance a disproportionate weighting of their overall investment portfolio among asset classes. If the digital infrastructure industry; however, value of an investor's portfolio decreases as a whole, the amount available to allocate to alternative investments could decline. Further, investors often evaluate the amount of distributions they have received from existing funds when considering commitments to new funds. Poor performance of our funds, or regulatory or tax constraints, could also make it more difficult for us to raise new capital. Our investors and potential investors continually assess our funds' performance independently and relative to market benchmarks and our competitors, which may affect our ability to raise capital for existing and future funds. If economic and market conditions deteriorate or continue to be volatile, investors may delay making new commitments to investment funds and/or we may not successfully implement this strategy or ultimately realize any be unable to raise sufficient amounts of capital to support the anticipated benefits investment activities of diversification.

future funds. We have invested and plan to continue to invest, primarily through our managed funds, in multiple asset classes within digital infrastructure, including data centers, cell towers, fiber networks, small cells and edge infrastructure, throughout the United States and around the world. However, we may not successfully implement be able to find suitable investments for the funds to effectively deploy capital, which could reduce our investment strategy revenues and cash flow and adversely affect our investments may become concentrated in type or geographic location. Even if we do implement this strategy, it is possible our multi-asset class portfolios will not perform financial condition as well as a portfolio that is concentrated in a particular type of digital infrastructure assets.

**Our operations in Europe and other foreign markets expose our business to risks inherent in conducting business in foreign markets.**

A portion of our revenues are sourced from our foreign operations in Europe, Asia and other foreign markets. Accordingly, our firm-wide results of operations depend in part on our foreign operations. Conducting business abroad carries significant risks, including:

- changes in real estate and other tax rates, the tax treatment of transaction structures and other changes in operating expenses in a particular country where we have an investment;
- restrictions and limitations relating to the repatriation of profits;
- complexity and costs of staffing and managing international operations;
- the burden of complying with multiple and potentially conflicting laws;
- changes in relative interest rates;
- translation and transaction risks related to fluctuations in foreign currency and exchange rates;
- lack of uniform accounting standards (including availability of information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"));
- unexpected changes in regulatory requirements;
- the impact of different business cycles and economic instability;
- political instability and civil unrest;

- legal and logistical barriers to enforcing our contractual rights, including in perfecting our security interests, collecting accounts receivable, foreclosing on secured assets and protecting our interests as a creditor in bankruptcies in certain geographic regions;
- share ownership restrictions on foreign operations;
- compliance with U.S. laws affecting operations outside of the United States, including sanctions laws, or anti-bribery laws such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"); and
- geographic, time zone, language and cultural differences between personnel in different areas of the world.

Each of these risks might adversely affect our performance and impair our ability to make distributions raise new funds and our prospects for future growth. If we were unable to raise capital, our revenue and cash flow would be reduced, and our financial condition would be adversely affected. Furthermore, while our senior professionals have committed substantial capital to our stockholders. In addition, there is generally less publicly available information about foreign companies and a lack of uniform financial accounting standards and practices (including funds, commitments from new investors may depend on the availability of information in accordance with GAAP) which could impair commitments made by our ability senior professionals to analyze transactions and receive timely and accurate financial information from our investments necessary to meet our reporting obligations to financial institutions or governmental or regulatory agencies.

**We face possible risks associated with natural disasters, wildfires, weather events, and the physical effects and other impacts of climate change.**

We are subject to the risks associated with natural disasters, wildfires, weather events, and the physical effects and other impacts of climate change, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our properties, operations and business. Over time, our properties located in coastal markets and other areas that may be impacted by climate change are expected to experience increases in storm intensity and rising sea-levels that may cause damage to our properties. As a result, we could become subject to significant losses and/or repair costs that may or may not be fully covered by insurance. Other markets may experience prolonged variations in temperature or precipitation that significantly increase energy costs or result in additional regulatory burdens, such as stricter energy efficiency standards. Weather events and climate change may also affect our business by increasing the cost of (or making unavailable) property insurance on terms we find acceptable in areas most vulnerable to such events, increasing operating costs, such as energy costs, and requiring us to expend funds as we seek to repair and protect our properties against such risks, new funds. There can be no assurance that natural disasters, wildfires, weather events, or climate change there will not have a material adverse effect on our properties, operations or business.

**We are subject to increasing focus by our fund investors, our stockholders and regulators on environmental, social and governance matters.**

Our fund investors, stockholders, regulators and other stakeholders are increasingly focused on ESG matters. Certain fund investors, including public pension funds, consider our record of socially responsible investing and other ESG factors in determining whether to invest in our funds. Similarly, certain of our stockholders, particularly institutional investors, use third-party benchmarks or scores to measure our ESG practices, and use such information to decide whether to invest in our common stock or engage with us to require changes be further commitments to our practices. If our ESG practices do not meet the standards set funds by these fund investors or stockholders, they may choose not to invest individuals, and any future investments by them in our funds or exclude our common stock from their investments, and we may face reputational challenges by other stakeholders. The occurrence of any of investment vehicles will likely depend on the foregoing could have a material adverse impact on new fundraises and negatively affect the price performance of our stock. In addition, there has also been an increased regulatory focus on ESG-related practices by funds, the performance of their overall investment managers by the SEC portfolios and other regulators. If regulators disagree with the procedures or standards we use for ESG investing, or new regulation or legislation requires a methodology of measuring or disclosing ESG impact that is different from our current practice, our business and reputation could be adversely affected.

**We often pursue investment opportunities that involve business, regulatory, legal or other complexities and the failure available to successfully manage such risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.**

We often pursue unusually complex investment opportunities involving substantial business, regulatory or legal complexity that would deter investors. Our tolerance for complexity presents risks, as such transactions can be more difficult, expensive and time-consuming to finance, execute and disclose, it can be more difficult to manage or realize value from the assets acquired in such transactions, and such transactions sometimes entail a higher level of regulatory scrutiny or a greater risk of contingent liabilities. Failure to successfully manage these risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**Risks Related to our Investment Management Business them.**

**The investment management business is intensely competitive.**

The investment management business is intensely competitive, with competition based on a variety of factors, including investment performance, the quality of client service, provided to clients, brand recognition and business reputation. Our investment management business competes for clients, personnel and investment opportunities with a large number of private equity funds, specialized investment funds, hedge funds, corporate buyers, traditional investment managers, commercial banks, investment banks, other investment managers and other financial institutions, and we expect that competition will increase. Numerous factors serve to increase our competitive risks, some of which are outside of our control, including that:

- a number of our competitors have more personnel and greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources than we do;
- many of our competitors have raised, or are expected to raise, significant amounts of capital, and many of them have investment objectives similar to ours, which may create additional competition for investment opportunities and reduce the size and duration of pricing inefficiencies that we seek to exploit;
- some of our competitors (including strategic competitors) may have a lower cost of capital and access to funding sources that are not available to us, which may create competitive disadvantages for us with respect to our managed companies, particularly our managed companies that directly use leverage or rely on debt financing of their portfolio companies to generate superior investment returns; us;

- some of our competitors have higher risk tolerances, different risk assessments or lower return thresholds, which could allow them to consider a wider variety of investments and to bid more aggressively than us for investments;
- our competitors may be able to achieve synergistic cost savings in respect of an investment that we cannot, which may provide them with a competitive advantage in bidding for an investment;
- our competitors may be able to innovate disruptive technologies and/or new business models to which we may be slow to adapt;
- there are relatively few barriers to entry impeding new funds, and the successful efforts of new entrants into our various lines of business, including major commercial and investment banks and other financial institutions, have resulted in increased competition;
- some investors may prefer to invest with an investment manager whose equity securities are not traded on a national securities exchange;

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- some investors may prefer to pursue investments directly instead of investing through one of our managed companies, funds or investment vehicles;
- other industry participants will from time to time seek to recruit our investment competition for qualified motivated, and highly-skilled executives, professionals and other employees away from us; key personnel in investment management firms is significant, both in the U.S. and internationally, and we may not succeed in recruiting additional personnel or we may fail to effectively replace current personnel who depart with qualified or effective successors; and
- other investment managers may offer more products and services than we do, have more diverse sources of revenue or be more adept at developing, marketing and managing new products and services than we are.

We may find it harder to raise capital in the private funds and other investment vehicles that we manage, and we may lose investment opportunities in the future, if we do not match the fees, structures and terms offered by competitors to their fund clients. Alternatively, we may experience decreased profitability, decreased rates of return and increased risk of loss if we match the prices, structures and terms offered by competitors. This competitive pressure could adversely affect our ability to make successful investments and limit our ability to raise future managed investment vehicles, funds, either of which would adversely impact our business, revenues, results of operations and cash flow.

### **Poor We depend on investors in the funds we manage for the continued success of our business.**

It could become increasingly difficult for the funds we manage to raise capital as funds compete for investments from a limited number of qualified investors. Without the participation of investors, the funds we manage will not be successful in consummating their capital-raising efforts, or they may consummate them at investment levels (or fee rates) lower than those currently anticipated.

Certain institutional investors have publicly criticized elements of our compensation arrangements, including management and advisory fees. Although we have no obligation to modify any fees or other terms with respect to the funds we manage, we experience pressure to do so. In addition, certain institutional investors, including sovereign wealth funds and public pension funds, continue to demonstrate an increased preference for alternatives to the traditional investment fund structure, such as managed accounts, specialized funds and co-investment vehicles. Even though we have entered into some such strategic arrangements, there can be no assurance that such alternatives will be as profitable to us as traditional investment fund structures. While we have historically competed primarily on the performance of the funds we manage, and not on the level of our current management fees or performance fees relative to those of our competitors, there is a risk that management fees and performance fees in the alternative investment management industry will decline, without regard to the historical performance of a manager. Management fee or performance fee reductions on existing or future managed investment vehicles could cause a decline funds or co-investments, without corresponding decreases in our cost structure even if other revenue income streams increase, would adversely affect our revenues and cash flow, profitability.

The fee arrangements failure of the funds we have with certain of our managed investment vehicles are based manage to raise capital in sufficient amounts and on the respective performance of such companies. As a satisfactory terms could result poor performance or in a decrease in value of assets under management of such managed companies (or any companies we may manage in the future with similar performance-based fees) would result in a reduction of our investment management and other AUM, performance fees carried interest and/or other incentive fees fee revenue and consequently cause our revenue, income and cash flow to decline. Further, to the extent that we have an investment in a managed investment vehicle, poor performance at such investment vehicle could cause us to suffer losses on such investments of our own capital.

### **Investors in our current or future managed investment vehicles may negotiate terms less favorable to us than those of investment vehicles we currently manage, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Similarly, any modification of our existing fee arrangements or the fee structures for new funds could adversely affect our results of operations.**

We continue to depend on investors in the funds we manage even after the capital-raising phase of any fund. Investors in many of the funds we manage make capital commitments to those funds that we are entitled to call from those investors at any time during prescribed periods. If investors were to fail to satisfy a significant amount of capital calls for any particular fund or funds, the operation and performance of those funds could be materially and adversely affected.

The governing agreements of most of our investment funds provide that, subject to certain conditions, third party investors in those funds have the right to remove the general partner of the fund, terminate the commitment period of the fund or to accelerate the termination date of the investment fund without cause by a majority or supermajority vote, which could result in a reduction in management fees we would earn from such investment funds and a significant reduction in the amounts of performance fees from those funds. In addition, the governing agreements of certain of the funds we manage allow the investors of those funds to, among other things, (i) terminate the commitment period of the fund in the event that certain "key persons" fail to devote the requisite time to managing the fund and are not replaced by qualified individuals of comparable seniority and qualifications, (ii) (depending on the fund) terminate the commitment period, dissolve the fund or remove the general partner if we, as general partner or manager, or certain "key persons" engage in certain forms of misconduct, (iii) dissolve the fund or terminate the commitment period upon the affirmative vote of a specified percentage of limited partner interests entitled to vote,

or (iv) dissolve the fund or terminate the commitment period upon a change of control. In addition to having a significant negative impact on our revenue, net income and cash flow, the occurrence of such an event with respect to any of the funds we manage would likely result in significant reputational damage to us.

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**Poor performance of our funds would cause a decline in our revenue, and results of operations, which may obligate us to repay performance fees previously paid to us and financial condition, could adversely affect our ability to raise capital for future funds.**

In connection with sponsoring new managed We derive revenues primarily from:

- management fees, which are based generally on the amount of capital committed to or invested by our funds;
- performance fees, which are based on the performance of our funds; and
- returns on investments of our own capital in the funds and other investment vehicles that we sponsor and manage.

When any of our funds perform poorly, either by incurring losses or securing additional underperforming benchmarks, as compared to our competitors or otherwise, our investment record suffers which could make it more difficult for us to raise new capital, commitments and investors in existing investment vehicles, our funds may decline to invest in future funds we will negotiate terms for such investment vehicles raise. As a result, our performance fees may be adversely affected and, commitments from investors. In addition, we have agreed and all else being equal, the value of our assets under management could decrease, which may, in the future agree to re-negotiate terms in the agreements with turn, reduce our investment vehicles due to performance of such investment vehicles or other market conditions. The outcome of such negotiations have and could in the future result in our agreement to terms that are materially less favorable to us economically than the existing terms management fees. Moreover, we may experience losses on investments of our investment vehicles or vehicles advised by our competitors. We have recorded and may in the future need to record impairments in the goodwill associated with such agreements own capital as a result of amended economic terms in poor investment performance and may not receive performance fees with regard to such agreements. Further, fund. Furthermore, if, as a result of poor performance or otherwise, a fund does not achieve total investment returns that exceed a specified investment return threshold over the life of the fund or other measurement period, we may be obligated to repay the amount by which performance fees that were previously distributed or paid to us exceed amounts to which we were entitled. We also agree guarantee such clawback obligations of our employees and may be required to terms repay a portion of performance fees distributed to an employee to the extent such employee fails to fulfill their repayment obligation and the amount held back by the Company from prior distributions to the employee is insufficient to satisfy the obligation.

**Many parts of our revenues, earnings and cash flow are highly variable, which may make it difficult for us to achieve steady earnings growth on a quarterly basis, which may cause the price of our shares to be volatile.**

A portion of our revenues, earnings and cash flow is highly variable, primarily due to the fact that performance fees from our asset management business can vary significantly from quarter to quarter and year to year. In addition, performance fees from some of the funds we manage are subject to contingent repayment by the general partner if, upon the final distribution, the relevant fund's general partner (or an affiliate thereof) has received cumulative performance fees on individual portfolio investments in excess of the amount of performance fees it would be entitled to from the profits calculated for all portfolio investments in the aggregate. We may also experience fluctuations in our results from quarter to quarter and year to year due to a number of other factors, including changes in the values of investments of the funds we manage, changes in the amount of distributions, dividends or interest paid in respect of investments, changes in our operating expenses, the degree to which we encounter competition and general economic and market conditions. Such variability may lead to volatility in the trading price of our shares and cause our results for a particular period not to be indicative of our performance in a future period. It may be difficult for us to achieve steady growth in earnings and cash flow on a quarterly basis, which could in turn lead to large adverse movements in the price of our shares or increased volatility in the price of our shares in general.

The timing of performance fees generated by the funds we manage is uncertain and will contribute to the volatility of our results. Performance fees depend on the performance of the funds we manage. It takes a substantial period of time to identify attractive investment opportunities, to raise all the funds needed to make an investment and then to realize the cash value or other proceeds of an investment through a sale, public offering, recapitalization or other exit. Even if an investment proves to be profitable, it may be several years before any profits can be realized in cash or other proceeds. We cannot predict when, or if, any realization of investments will occur. Generally, if the funds we manage were to have a realization event in a particular quarter or year, it may have a significant impact on our results for that particular quarter or year that may not be replicated in subsequent periods.

Our fee revenue may also depend on the pace of investment activity in certain of our funds during certain periods. Management fees are calculated generally based on investors' committed capital during the commitment period of the fund, and thereafter, contributed or invested capital (subject to certain reductions for NAV write-downs); invested capital for co-investment vehicles; or NAV for vehicles in the liquid securities strategy. Accordingly, a decline in the pace or the size of investments could reduce our revenue from management fees for certain funds during certain periods. Likewise, during an attractive selling environment, our funds may capitalize on increased opportunities to exit investments. Any increase in the pace at which our funds exit investments, if not offset by new commitments and investments, would reduce future management fees. Additionally, in certain of our funds that derive management fees only on the basis of invested capital, the pace at which we make investments, the length of time we hold such investment and the timing of disposition will directly impact our revenues.

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**Our investments in digital infrastructure may expose us to risks inherent in the ownership and operation of digital infrastructure.**

We have invested and plan to continue to invest, primarily through our managed funds, in multiple asset classes within digital infrastructure, including, without limitation, data centers, cell towers, fiber networks, small cells and edge infrastructure, throughout the United States and around the world. Investment in digital infrastructure assets involves many relatively unique and acute risks. These risks include the following:

- Project revenues can be affected by a number of factors including economic and market conditions, political events, competition, regulation and the financial position and business strategy of customers;

- Any failure of physical infrastructure or services could lead to significant costs and disruptions that could restrict harm our business reputation. Such a failure could result from numerous factors, including mechanical failure, power outage, human error, shortage of material and skilled labor or work stoppages, physical or electronic security incidents, war, terrorism, health crises or pandemics, fire, earthquake, hurricane, flood, climate change, and other natural disasters, sabotage and vandalism;
- Service interruptions, equipment failures or security incidents may result in legal liability, regulatory requirements, penalties and monetary damages and damage our brand and reputation;
- Dependence on third-party suppliers for power, network connectivity and certain other services results in vulnerability to service failures of such third-party suppliers and to price increases by such suppliers to the extent such costs are not borne by customers;
- The digital infrastructure industry is highly competitive and it may be difficult to develop and maintain a balanced customer base, resulting in increased risk based on the credit quality of one or more customers;
- Demand for digital infrastructure assets, power or connectivity is particularly susceptible to general economic slowdowns as well as adverse developments in the internet and data communications and broader technology industries;
- Demand for digital infrastructure that supports wireless infrastructure, such as cell towers, is particularly susceptible to changes in the levels of consumption of mobile data and investment by mobile carriers;
- Technological developments, such as virtualization technology, more efficient or miniaturization of computing or networking devices, or devices that require higher power densities than today's devices, may cause certain digital infrastructure assets to become obsolete or result in decreased demand for certain digital infrastructure assets;
- Digital infrastructure investments are subject to substantial government regulation related to the acquisition and operation of such investments; and
- The use and development of generative AI technologies is subject to evolving and complex regulatory frameworks across various jurisdictions, and it remains uncertain how generative AI and such regulatory developments will impact new and existing digital infrastructure investments.

Our digital infrastructure focused funds may be more susceptible to any single economic, political or regulatory occurrence and more volatile than a more diversified fund. Additionally, our strategy to invest across different classes of digital infrastructure assets may not perform as well as a portfolio that is concentrated in a particular type of digital infrastructure assets. Any of these factors may cause the value of the investments in our digital infrastructure funds to decline, which may have a material impact on our business and results of operations.

**Our investments in infrastructure assets, including through our InfraBridge funds, may expose us to increased risks that are inherent in the ownership of real assets.**

Investments in infrastructure assets, including through our InfraBridge funds, expose us to increased risks that are inherent in the ownership of real assets, including:

- Infrastructure investments are vulnerable to adverse change in the economic conditions in the jurisdiction in which they are situated, as well as to global economic declines. Since projects in this sector tend to be of a long-term nature, projects which were conceived at a time when conditions were favorable may subsequently be adversely affected by change in the financial markets, investor sentiment or a more general economic downturn;
- Investment vehicles may borrow to fund acquisitions or other activities and accordingly may be exposed to rates of interest which are variable over the life of the borrowing. Consequently, there is the risk that unfavorable movements in interest rates may adversely affect assets;

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- Ownership of infrastructure assets may present risk of liability for personal and property injury or impose significant operating challenges and costs with respect to, for example, compliance with zoning, environmental, health and safety or other applicable laws, regulations and permit requirements;
- Many infrastructure asset investments greatly rely on the steady supply of power at reasonable costs and could be harmed by prolonged power outages or shortages, increased cost of energy or general lack of availability of electrical resources;
- Infrastructure asset investments may face construction and development risks including, without limitation: (a) labor disputes, shortages of material and skilled labor, or work stoppages, (b) slower than projected construction progress and the unavailability or late delivery of necessary equipment, (c) adverse weather conditions and unexpected construction conditions, (d) accidents or the breakdown or failure of construction equipment or processes, and (e) catastrophic events such as explosions, fires, terrorist activities and other similar events. These risks could result in substantial unanticipated delays or expenses (which may exceed expected or forecasted budgets) and, under certain circumstances, could prevent completion of construction or development activities once undertaken; and
- The operation of infrastructure assets can be exposed to unplanned interruptions caused by significant catastrophic or force majeure events and there can be no assurance that such investments' insurance policies would cover losses. These risks could, among other effects, adversely impact the cash flows available from investments in infrastructure assets, cause personal injury or loss of life, damage property, or instigate disruptions of service. In addition, the cost of repairing or replacing damaged assets could be considerable. Repeated or prolonged service interruptions may result in permanent loss of customers, litigation, or penalties for regulatory or contractual non-compliance. Force majeure events that are incapable of, or too costly to, cure may also have a permanent adverse effect on an investment.

Infrastructure investments often involve an ongoing commitment to a municipal, state, federal or foreign government or regulatory agencies. The nature of these obligations exposes us to a higher level of regulatory control than typically imposed on other businesses and may require us to rely on complex government licenses, concessions, leases or contracts, which may be difficult to obtain or maintain. Infrastructure investments may require external operators to manage such investments under contractual relationships and such operators' failure to comply with laws, including prohibitions against bribing of government officials, may adversely affect the value of such investments and cause us serious reputational and legal harm. Revenues for such investments may rely on contractual agreements for the provision of services with a limited number of counterparties and are consequently subject to counterparty default risk or poor operational performance. The operations and cash flow of infrastructure investments are also more sensitive to inflation and, in certain cases, commodity price risk and price controls. Furthermore, services provided by infrastructure investments may be subject to rate regulations by government



entities that determine or limit prices that may be charged. Similarly, users of applicable services or government entities in response to such users may react negatively to any adjustments in rates and thus reduce the profitability of such infrastructure investments.

#### **Our operations in Europe, Asia, Latin America and other foreign markets expose our business to risks inherent in conducting business in foreign markets.**

A portion of our revenues are sourced from our foreign operations in Europe, Asia, Latin America and other foreign markets. Accordingly, our firm-wide results of operations depend in part on our foreign operations. Conducting business and pursuing investment opportunities abroad carries significant risks, including:

- changes in real estate and other tax rates, the tax treatment of transaction structures and other changes in operating expenses in a particular country where we have an investment;
- restrictions and limitations relating to the repatriation of profits;
- complexity and costs of staffing and managing international operations;
- the burden of complying with multiple and potentially conflicting laws;
- changes in relative interest rates;
- translation and transaction risks related to fluctuations in foreign currency and exchange rates;
- lack of uniform accounting standards (including availability of information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"));
- unexpected changes in regulatory requirements;

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- the impact of different business cycles and economic instability;
- political instability and civil unrest;
- legal and logistical barriers to enforcing our contractual rights, including in perfecting our security interests, collecting accounts receivable, foreclosing on secured assets and protecting our interests as a creditor in bankruptcies in certain geographic regions;
- share ownership restrictions on foreign operations and restrictions on foreign investment;
- compliance with U.S. laws affecting operations outside of the United States, including sanctions laws, or anti-bribery laws such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"); and
- geographic, time zone, language and cultural differences between personnel in different areas of the world.

Each of these risks might adversely affect our performance and the performance of our investments. In addition, to accommodate the needs of global investors and strategies, we must structure investment products in a manner that addresses tax, regulatory and legislative provisions in different, and sometimes multiple, jurisdictions. Further, in conducting business in foreign jurisdictions, we are often faced with the challenge of ensuring that our activities and those of our funds and, in some cases, our funds' portfolio companies, are consistent with U.S. or other laws with extraterritorial application, such as the USA PATRIOT Act and the FCPA. As a result, we are required to continuously develop our systems and infrastructure, including employing and contracting with foreign businesses and entities, in response to the increasing complexity and sophistication of the investment management market and legal, accounting and regulatory situations. This growth has required, and will continue to require, us to incur significant additional expenses and to commit additional senior management and operational resources. There can be no assurance that we will be able to manage or maintain appropriate oversight over our expanding international operations effectively or that we will be able to continue to grow this part of our business, and any failure to do so could adversely affect our ability to **sponsor competing** generate revenues and control our expenses.

#### **Rapid growth of our businesses, particularly outside the U.S., may be difficult to sustain and may place significant demands on our administrative, operational and financial resources.**

Our assets under management have grown significantly in the past, and we are pursuing further growth in the near future, both organic and through acquisitions. Our rapid growth has placed, and planned growth, if successful, will continue to place, significant demands on our legal, accounting, compliance and operational infrastructure and has increased expenses. The complexity of these demands, and the expense required to address them, is a function not simply of the amount by which our assets under management has grown, but of the growth in the variety and complexity of, as well as the differences in strategy between, our different funds. In addition, we are required to continuously develop our systems and infrastructure in response to the increasing sophistication of the investment **vehicles**, management market and legal, accounting, regulatory and tax developments. Our future growth will depend in part on our ability to maintain an operating platform and management system sufficient to address our growth and will require us to **dispose** incur significant additional expenses and to commit additional senior management and operational resources. As a result, we face significant challenges in:

- maintaining adequate financial regulatory (legal, tax and compliance) and business controls;
- providing current and future investors with accurate and consistent reporting;
- implementing new or updated information and financial systems and procedures;
- monitoring and enhancing our cybersecurity and data privacy risk management; and
- training, managing and appropriately sizing our work force and other components of **an investment within** our businesses on a **certain period of time**, **restrict** timely and cost-effective basis.

We may not be able to manage our expanding operations effectively or be able to continue to grow, and any failure to do so could adversely affect our ability to **sell all or a portion of** generate revenue and control our **position in a co-investment**, increase our obligations as the manager or require us to take on additional potential liabilities. Agreement to

terms that are materially less favorable to us could result in a decrease in our profitability, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. expenses.

**Valuation methodologies for certain assets in our managed institutional private funds can involve subjective judgments, and the fair value of assets established pursuant to such methodologies may be incorrect, which could result in the misstatement of performance and accrued performance fees of an institutional private fund.**

There are often no readily ascertainable market prices for a substantial majority of the illiquid investments of our managed institutional private funds. We determine the fair value of the investments of each of our institutional private funds at least quarterly based on the fair value guidelines set forth by GAAP. The fair value measurement accounting guidance establishes a hierarchical disclosure framework that ranks the observability of market inputs used in measuring

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financial instruments at fair value. The observability of inputs is impacted by a number of factors, including the type of financial instrument, the characteristics specific to the financial instrument and the state of the marketplace, including the existence and transparency of transactions between market participants. Financial instruments with readily available quoted prices, or for which fair value can be measured from quoted prices in active markets, will generally have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment applied in determining fair value.

Investments for which market prices are not observable include, but are not limited to, illiquid investments in operating companies, real estate, energy ventures and structured vehicles, and encompass all components of the capital structure, including equity, mezzanine, debt, preferred equity and derivative instruments such as options and warrants. Fair values of such investments are determined by reference to (1) the market approach (i.e., multiplying a key performance metric of the investee company or asset, such as earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"), by a relevant valuation multiple observed in the range of comparable public entities or transactions, adjusted by management as appropriate for differences between the investment and the referenced comparables), (2) the income approach (i.e., discounting projected future cash flows of the investee company or asset and/or capitalizing representative stabilized cash flows of the investee company or asset) and (3) other methodologies such as prices provided by reputable dealers or pricing services, option pricing models and replacement costs.

The determination of fair value using these methodologies takes into consideration a range of factors including but not limited to the price at which the investment was acquired, the nature of the investment, local market conditions, the multiples of comparable securities, current and projected operating performance and financing transactions subsequent to the acquisition of the investment. These valuation methodologies involve a significant degree of management judgment. For example, as to investments that we share with another sponsor, we may apply a different valuation methodology than the other sponsor does or derive a different value than the other sponsor has derived on the same investment, which could cause some investors to question our valuations.

Because there is significant uncertainty in the valuation of, or stability of the value of, illiquid investments, the fair values of such investments as reflected in an institutional private fund's net asset value do not necessarily reflect the prices that would be obtained by us on behalf of the institutional private fund when such investments are realized. Realizations at values significantly lower than the values at which investments have been reflected in prior institutional private fund net asset values would result in reduced earnings or losses for the applicable fund and the loss of potential management fees, carried interest and incentive fees. Changes in values attributed to investments from quarter to quarter may result in volatility in the net asset values and results of operations that we report from period to period. Also, a situation where asset values turn out to be materially different than values reflected in prior institutional fund net asset values could cause investors to lose confidence in us, which could in turn result in difficulty in raising additional institutional private funds.

Further, the SEC has highlighted valuation practices as one of its areas of focus in investment advisor examinations and has instituted enforcement actions against advisors advisers for misleading investors about valuation. If the SEC were to investigate and find errors in our methodologies or procedures, we and/or members of our management could be subject to penalties and fines, which could harm our reputation and our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

#### **The organization and management of our current and future investment vehicles may create conflicts of interest.**

We currently manage, and may in the future manage, private funds and other investment vehicles that may be in competition with us and each other with respect to investment opportunities and financing opportunities. In general, our digital infrastructure focused investment funds and certain portfolio companies thereof have priority over the Company with respect to investment opportunities in digital infrastructure, and investors in our managed funds and investment vehicles typically have priority with regard to any related co-investment opportunities. We have implemented certain procedures to manage any perceived or actual conflicts among us and our managed investment vehicles, including the following:

- allocating investment opportunities based on numerous factors, including investment objectives, available cash, diversification/concentration, leverage policy, the size of the investment, tax, anticipated pipeline of suitable investments, fund life and existing contractual obligations such as first-look rights and non-compete covenants; and
- investment allocations are reviewed at least annually by the chief compliance officer of our applicable registered investment adviser.

In addition, subject to compliance with the rules promulgated under the Investment Advisers Act and the governing documents of our managed investment vehicles, we have and may continue to allow a managed investment vehicle to enter into principal transactions with us or cross-transactions with other managed investment vehicles or strategic

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vehicles. For certain cross-transactions, we may receive a fee from, or increased fees from, the managed investment vehicle and conflicts may exist. **In certain circumstances, our funds may make investments at different levels of an issuer's capital structure.** If our interests and those of our managed funds and investment vehicles are not aligned, we may face conflicts of interests that result in action or inaction that is detrimental to us, our managed investment vehicles, our strategic partnerships or our joint ventures. Further, certain officers and senior management who make allocation decisions **may typically** have financial interests in a particular fund or managed investment vehicle, which may increase such conflicts of interest.

Potential conflicts will also arise with respect to our decisions regarding how to allocate co-investment opportunities among our funds and investors and the terms of any such co-investments. Our fund documents typically do not mandate specific allocations with respect to co-investments. The investment advisers of our funds may have an incentive to provide co-investment opportunities to certain investors in lieu of others. Co-investment arrangements may be structured through one or more of our investment vehicles, and in such circumstances, co-investors will generally bear the costs and expenses thereof (other than broken deal expenses which are typically borne by investment funds) which may lead to conflicts of interest regarding the allocation of costs and expenses between such co-investors and investors in our other investment funds. The terms of any such existing and future co-investment vehicles may differ materially, and in some instances may be more favorable to us, than the terms of certain of our funds or prior co-investment vehicles, and such different terms may create an incentive for us to allocate a greater or lesser percentage of an investment opportunity to such funds or such co-investment vehicles, as the case may be. Such incentives will from time to time give rise to conflicts of interest. There can be no assurance that any conflicts of interest will be resolved in favor of any particular investment funds or investors (including any applicable co-investors) and there is a risk that such investment fund or investor (or the SEC) may challenge our treatment of such conflict, which could impose costs on our business and expose us to potential liability.

Conflicts of interest may also arise in the allocation of fees and costs among our managed companies that we incur in connection with the management of their assets. This allocation sometimes requires us to exercise discretion and there is no guarantee that we will allocate these fees and costs appropriately.

Appropriately dealing with conflicts of interest is complex and difficult and our reputation could be damaged if we fail, or appear to fail, to deal appropriately with one or more potential or actual conflicts of interest. Regulatory scrutiny of, or litigation in connection with, conflicts of interest **would could** have a material adverse effect on our reputation, which would materially adversely affect our business and our ability to raise capital in future managed companies.

**Conflicts of interest may also arise in the allocation of fees and costs among our managed companies that we incur in connection with the management of their assets. This allocation sometimes requires us to exercise discretion and there is no guarantee that we will allocate these fees and costs appropriately.**

**Our organizational documents do not limit our ability to enter into new lines of businesses, and we** **We** may expand into new investment strategies, geographic markets and businesses, each of which may result in additional risks and uncertainties in our businesses.

We intend, to the extent that market conditions warrant, to seek to grow our businesses by increasing AUM in existing businesses, pursuing new investment strategies, developing new types of investment structures and products (such as separately managed accounts and structured products), **and** expanding into new geographic markets and **businesses, businesses and marketing products to new categories of investors.** Introducing new types of investment structures and products **or the types of investors we provide services to** could increase the complexities involved in managing such investments, including ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements. **We may also pursue growth through acquisitions of other investment management companies, such as our recent acquisition of the global infrastructure equity investment management business from AMP Capital.**

The success of our organic growth strategy will depend on, among other things, our ability to correctly identify and create products that appeal to the limited partners of our funds and vehicles. While we have made significant expenditures to develop these new strategies and products, there is no assurance that they will achieve a satisfactory level of scale and profitability. To raise new funds and pursue new strategies, we have and expect to continue to use our balance sheet to warehouse seed investments, which may decrease the liquidity available for other parts of our business. If a new strategy or fund does not develop as anticipated and such investments are not ultimately transferred to a fund, we may not be able

to dispose of such investments at an advantageous time and may be forced to realize losses on these retained investments.

**We may also pursue growth through acquisitions of other investment management companies, such as our recent acquisition of InfraBridge.** To the extent we expand into new investment strategies, geographic markets and businesses and attempt to expand our business through acquisitions, we will face numerous risks and uncertainties, including risks associated with:

- our ability to successfully negotiate and enter into beneficial arrangements with our counterparties;
- our ability to realize the anticipated operational and financial benefits from an acquisition and to effectively integrate an acquired business;
- the required investment of capital and other resources;

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- **our ability to successfully integrate, train and retain new employees;**
- the possibility of diversion of management's time and attention from our core business;
- the possibility of disruption of our ongoing business;
- the assumption of liabilities in any acquired business and the potential for litigation;
- the broadening of our geographic footprint, including the risks associated with conducting operations in foreign jurisdictions, such as taxation;
- properly managing conflicts of interests; and



- our ability to comply with new regulatory regimes.

**We do not directly control the operations of our portfolio companies and are therefore dependent on portfolio company management teams to successfully operate their businesses.**

The portfolio companies managed by our funds are typically operated by in-place management teams at such companies or by third party management companies. While we have or expect to have various rights as an owner of the portfolio companies, our governance rights for certain portfolio companies may be shared with or limited by the rights of other investors. We may have limited recourse under our management agreements or investment governing documents if we believe that in-place management teams (who are not our employees) or third-party management companies are not performing adequately. If our portfolio companies or management companies experience any significant financial, legal, accounting or regulatory difficulties, such difficulties could have a material adverse effect on us.

**We often pursue investment opportunities that involve business, regulatory, legal or other complexities and the failure to successfully manage such risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.**

We often pursue complex investment opportunities involving substantial business, regulatory or legal complexity that would deter investors. Our tolerance for complexity presents risks, as (i) such transactions can be more difficult, expensive and time-consuming to finance, execute and disclose, (ii) it can be more difficult to manage or realize value from the assets acquired in such transactions, and (iii) such transactions sometimes entail a higher level of regulatory scrutiny or a greater risk of contingent liabilities. Failure to successfully manage these risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**Our funds may be forced to dispose of investments at a disadvantageous time.**

Our funds may make investments of which they do not advantageously dispose of prior to the date the applicable fund is dissolved, either by expiration of such fund's term or otherwise. Although we generally expect that our funds will dispose of investments prior to dissolution, we may not be able to do so. The general partners of our funds have only a limited ability to extend the term of the fund with the consent of fund investors or the advisory board of the fund, as applicable, and therefore, we may be required to seek to sell, distribute or otherwise dispose of investments during liquidation, which may be at a disadvantageous time. This would result in a lower than expected return on the investments and, perhaps, on the fund itself.

#### **Risks Related Climate change and regulatory and other efforts to our Digital Infrastructure Investments**

**Any failure of our physical infrastructure or services could lead to significant costs and disruptions that could harm our business reputation and reduce climate change could adversely affect our earnings business.**

**We and financial condition.**

Our business reputation depends on providing customers with highly reliable services, including with respect to power supply, physical security and maintenance of environmental conditions. We may fail to provide such service as a result of numerous factors, including mechanical failure, power outage, human error, physical or electronic security incidents, war, terrorism, fire, earthquake, hurricane, flood, climate change and other natural disasters, sabotage and vandalism.

Problems at one or more of our data centers or other digital infrastructure assets, whether or not within our control, could result in service interruptions or equipment damage. Substantially all the portfolio companies of the customer leases associated with our digital infrastructure assets include terms requiring us to meet certain service level commitments to such customers. Any failure to meet these or other commitments or any equipment damage in our data centers, including as a result of mechanical failure, power outage, human error or other reasons, could subject us to liability under our lease terms, including service level credits against customer rent payments, monetary damages, or, in certain cases of repeated failures, the right by the customer to terminate the lease. Service interruptions, equipment failures or security incidents may also expose us to additional legal liability, regulatory requirements, penalties and monetary damages and damage our brand and reputation, and could cause our customers to terminate or not renew their leases. In addition, funds we may be unable to attract new customers if we have a reputation for service disruptions, equipment failures or physical or electronic security incidents in our data centers or with regard to other digital infrastructure assets. Any such failures could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

**The digital infrastructure industry is highly competitive and such competition may materially and adversely affect our performance and ability to execute our strategy.**

The digital infrastructure industry is highly competitive based on manage face a number of risks associated with climate change, including both transition and physical risks. The transition risks that could impact us and the investments of the funds we manage include those risks related to the impact of U.S. and foreign climate- and ESG-related legislation and regulation, as well as risks arising from climate-related business trends. Moreover, our investments, and the investments of the portfolio companies of the funds we manage, are subject to risks stemming from the physical impacts of climate change. In particular, climate change may impact energy prices, insurance costs and the value of investments linked to certain digital infrastructure assets.

New climate change-related regulations or interpretations of existing laws may result in enhanced disclosure obligations that could negatively affect us or the investments of the portfolio companies of the funds we manage and also materially increase our regulatory burden. We also face business trend-related climate risks. Certain fund investors are increasingly taking into account ESG factors, including brand recognition, climate risks, in determining whether to invest in the funds we manage. Our reputation and pricing pressure on the products and services offered by the companies in which we expect to invest. A reduction in the perceived quality of services and products offered, or if our competitors offer rental, leasing or similar rates at below market rates or below the rates charged by the companies in which we invest, the performance of the

companies in which we invest investor relationships could be adversely impacted and, as a result, our ability to raise third party capital in our current and future digital focused funds and investment vehicles could be adversely impacted. In the event that we are unable to continue to grow our business damaged as a result of our poor performance involvement, or lack the involvement of available funding for the funds we manage, in certain industries, portfolio companies or transactions associated with activities perceived to be

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causing or exacerbating climate change, as well as any decisions we make to continue to conduct or change our investments, our results of operations, financial condition and prospects would be materially adversely affected. activities in response to considerations relating to climate change.

**We depend are subject to increasing focus by our fund investors, our stockholders, regulators and other stakeholders on the development environmental, social and growth of a balanced customer base, including key customers, and failure to attract, grow and retain this base of customers or future consolidation in the technology industry could harm our business and operating results. governance matters.**

Our ability to maximize operating revenues depends on our ability to develop and grow a balanced customer base, consisting of a variety of companies, including cloud and IT service providers, network providers fund investors, stockholders, regulators and other technology companies. We stakeholders are increasingly focused on ESG matters. Certain fund investors, including public pension funds, consider certain our record of these customers to be key in that they attract and assist in retaining other customers. Our ability to attract and maintain customers depends on a variety of factors, including the demand for data center space socially responsible investing and other digital infrastructure and ESG factors in determining whether to invest in our operating reliability and security. In addition, our customer base may shrink as a result of mergers or acquisitions, resulting in a reduced number of customers or potential customers. Any of these factors may increase churn and hinder the development, growth and retention of a balanced customer base, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

**We do not directly control the operations of funds. Similarly, certain of our digital infrastructure assets stockholders, particularly institutional investors, use third-party benchmarks or scores to measure our ESG practices, and are therefore dependent on portfolio company management teams use such information to successfully operate their businesses.**

Our digital infrastructure assets, including the data centers decide whether to invest in our Operating segment, are typically operated common stock or engage with us to require changes to our practices. If our ESG practices do not meet the standards set by in-place management teams at the portfolio companies which hold these assets fund investors or stockholders, they may choose not to invest in our funds or exclude our stock from their investments, and in which we own our interests or by third party management companies. While we have or expect to have various rights as an owner may face reputational challenges from other stakeholders. The occurrence of any of the portfolio companies, we may have limited recourse under our management agreements or investment interest documentation if we believe that such in-place management teams (who are not our employees) or third-party management companies are not performing adequately. Failure by the in-place management teams to adequately manage the risks associated with managing digital infrastructure assets could result in defaults under our borrowings and otherwise adversely affect our results of operations. Furthermore, if these portfolio companies or management companies experience any significant financial, legal, accounting or regulatory difficulties, such difficulties foregoing could have a material adverse effect impact on us.

**The financial performance new fundraises and negatively affect the price of our digital infrastructure stock. In addition, there has also been an increased regulatory focus on ESG-related practices by investment managers by the SEC and other regulators. If regulators disagree with the procedures or standards we use for ESG investing, or new regulation or legislation requires a methodology of measuring or disclosing ESG impact that is different from our current practice, our business and reputation could be adversely affected.**

Conversely, anti-ESG sentiment has also gained momentum across the United States, with several states having enacted or proposed "anti-ESG" policies, legislation or issued related legal opinions. For example, boycott bills target financial institutions that "boycott" or "discriminate against" companies in certain industries (e.g., energy and mining) and prohibit state entities from doing business with such institutions and/or investing the state's assets depends upon the demand for (including pension plan assets) through such assets.

A reduction institutions, and ESG investment prohibitions require that state entities or managers/administrators of state investments make investments based solely on pecuniary factors without consideration of ESG factors. If investors subject to such legislation viewed our funds or ESG practices, including our climate-related goals and commitments, as being in the demand for contradiction of such "anti-ESG" policies, legislation or legal opinions, such investors may not invest in our digital infrastructure assets, power or connectivity will adversely impact funds, our ability to execute our business strategy and our performance. Demand for digital infrastructure assets is particularly susceptible to general economic slowdowns as well as adverse developments in maintain the data center, internet and data communications and broader technology industries. Any such slowdown or adverse development could lead to reduced corporate IT spending or reduced demand for data center space and other digital infrastructure assets. Reduced demand could also result from business relocations, including to metropolitan areas that we do not currently or expect to serve. Changes in industry practice or in technology could also reduce demand for the physical data center space or other digital infrastructure assets. In addition, our customers may choose to develop new data centers or expand their own existing data centers or consolidate into data centers that we do not own or operate, which could reduce demand for our newly developed data centers or result in the loss of one or more key customers. If we lose a customer or a tenant, we cannot assure you that we would be able to replace that customer at a competitive rate, in a timely manner or at all. Mergers or consolidations of technology companies could reduce further the number size of our customers/tenants and potential customers/tenants and make us more dependent on a more limited number of customers. If our customers merge with or are acquired by other entities that are not our customers, they may discontinue or reduce their use of our data centers or other digital infrastructure assets. Our financial condition, results of operations, and cash flow for distributions funds could be materially adversely affected as a result of any or all of these factors.

**We are dependent upon third-party suppliers for power impaired, and certain other services, and we are vulnerable to service failures of our third-party suppliers and to price increases by such suppliers.**

We generally rely on third-party local utilities to provide power to our data centers. We are therefore subject to an inherent risk that such local utilities may fail to deliver such power in adequate quantities or on a consistent basis, and our recourse against it could negatively affect the local utility and ability to control such failures may be limited. If power delivered from the local utility is insufficient or interrupted, we would be required to provide power through the operation of our on-site generators, generally at a significantly higher operating cost than we would pay for an equivalent amount of power from the local utility. We may not be able to pass on the higher cost to our customers.

In addition, even when power supplies are adequate, we may be subject to pricing risks and unanticipated costs associated with obtaining power from various utility companies. Utilities are and may be subject to increasing regulation that could increase the costs of electricity, including wildfire mitigation plans. Utilities may be dependent on, and be

sensitive to price increases for, a particular type of fuel, such as coal, oil or natural gas. In addition, the price of these fuels and the electricity generated from them could increase as a result of proposed legislative measures related to climate change or efforts to regulate carbon emissions. In any of these cases, increases in the cost of power at any of our data

centers could put those locations at a competitive disadvantage relative to data centers served by utilities that can provide less expensive power.

**We depend on third parties to provide network connectivity to the customers in our data centers, and any delays or disruptions in connectivity may adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and ability to pay dividends as well as the market price of our common stock.**

Our customers require internet connectivity and connectivity to the fiber networks of multiple third-party telecommunications carriers. In order for us to attract and retain customers, we need to provide sufficient access for customers to connect to those carriers. While we provide space and facilities for carriers to locate their equipment and connect customers to their networks, any carrier may elect not to offer its services to us or may elect to discontinue its service. Furthermore, carriers may periodically experience business difficulties which could affect their ability to provide telecommunications services, or the service provided by a carrier may be inadequate or of poor quality. Any termination, degradation or interruption of connectivity could put us at a competitive disadvantage, and a material loss of adequate third-party connectivity could have an adverse effect on the businesses of our customers and, in turn, our business, financial condition and results of operations.

**We expect certain of the leases we have with our customers to expire monthly and to contain early termination provisions. If leases with our customers are not renewed on the same or more favorable terms or are terminated early by our customers, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be substantially harmed.**

Our customers may not renew their leases upon expiration. This risk is increased to the extent our customer leases expire on an annual basis. Upon expiration, our customers may elect not to renew their leases or renew their leases at lower rates, for less space, for fewer services or for shorter terms. If we are unable to successfully renew or continue our customer leases on the same or more favorable terms or subsequently re-lease available space when such leases expire, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected. In addition, certain of our leases may contain early termination provisions that allow our customers to reduce the term of their leases subject to payment of an early termination charge that is often a specified portion of the remaining rent payable on such leases. The exercise by customers of early termination options could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

**The digital infrastructure assets that we own may become obsolete, which could materially adversely impact our revenue and operations.**

Data centers require infrastructure, such as power and cooling systems, that is difficult and costly to upgrade. If the infrastructure in our data centers or other digital infrastructure assets becomes obsolete due to the development of new server technologies, we may need to upgrade or change the systems in order to keep our existing tenants or attract new tenants. We may not be able to effectively or efficiently upgrade or change such infrastructure and may incur substantial costs in doing so. Any inability to upgrade or change our digital infrastructure assets in connection with technological developments may result in the loss of tenants and adversely impact our ability to attract new tenants, all of which could materially and adversely impact our revenues and operations.

**Digital infrastructure investments are subject to substantial government regulation.**

Digital infrastructure investments are subject to substantial government regulation related to the acquisition and operation of such investments. Failure to comply with applicable government regulations or the inability to obtain or maintain any required government permits, licenses, concessions, leases or contracts needed to operate our digital infrastructure investments could adversely affect our ability to achieve our investment objectives. In addition, governments often have considerable discretion to implement regulations that affect our digital infrastructure investments. Changes in existing regulations could be costly for us to comply with and may delay or prevent the operation of our assets, all of which could adversely impact the performance of our investments.

**Many of our investments may be illiquid and we may not be able to vary our investment portfolio in response to changes in economic and other conditions.**

Our investments are relatively illiquid. As a result, our ability to vary our investment portfolio promptly in response to changed economic and other conditions is limited, which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations and our ability to pay dividends and make distributions. In addition, the liquidity of our investments may also be impacted by, among other things, legal or contractual restrictions, the lack of available financing for assets, the absence of

a willing buyer or an established market and turbulent market conditions. The illiquidity of our investments may make it difficult for us to sell such investments at advantageous times or in a timely manner if the need or desire arises, including, if necessary, to maintain our exemption from the 1940 Act. If we are required to liquidate all or a portion of our portfolio quickly, we may realize significantly less upon a sale than the value at which we have previously recorded our assets. If and to the extent that we use leverage to finance our investments that are or become liquid, the adverse impact on us related to trying to sell assets in a short period of time for cash could be greatly exacerbated.

## **Risks Related to Our Organizational Structure and Business Operations**

**We depend on our key personnel, and the loss of their services or the loss of investor confidence in such personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.**

We depend on the efforts, skill, reputations and business contacts of our key personnel, including our Chief Executive Officer **our President**, and our **Chief Financial Officer, President**, each of whom has entered into an employment agreement with us. For instance, the extent and nature of the experience of our executive officers and the nature of the relationships they have developed with digital **real estate infrastructure** professionals, financial institutions, investors in certain of our investment vehicles and other members of the business community are critical to the success of our business. Changes to our management team have occurred in the past, and we cannot assure stockholders of the continued employment of these **and other** individuals with the Company. **As previously disclosed, Mr. Wu and Mr. Sanders have entered into amended and restated employment agreements that provide for their terms of employment to end in 2023.**

In addition, our success depends, to a significant extent, upon the continued services of key personnel in our investment management business, including Mr. Ganzi and Mr. Jenkins. Although Mr. Ganzi and Mr. Jenkins received equity interests in us and are subject to employment agreements and other agreements containing restrictions on engaging in activities that are deemed competitive to our business, there can be no assurances that they will continue employment with us. The loss of Mr. Ganzi, Mr. Jenkins or other key personnel could harm our business.

In addition, certain of our current and former key personnel have been and may continue to be the subject of media attention, which includes scrutiny or criticism of our Company, business and leadership. Such attention and scrutiny could negatively impact our reputation as well as that of our key personnel, which could in turn negatively impact the

relationships our key personnel have with current and potential investors, business partners, vendors and employees. Negative perceptions of or a loss of investor confidence in our key personnel could adversely impact our business prospects.

**Our position as an owner, operator and investment manager of digital infrastructure assets and change in strategy to focus on investment management may adversely impact our stock price.**

We are a leading owner, operator and investment manager of digital infrastructure and currently manage digital infrastructure assets both on our balance sheet and through our investment management platform. As of the date of this report, substantially all of the digital investments on the Company's balance sheet are data centers, primarily located in the United States, which subjects us to concentration risks. We believe that any advantages to having both direct digital infrastructure investments and an investment management platform are frequently not recognized by the investment community and that investors view this strategy as overly complex. To the extent we are unable to transfer or dispose of our the direct digital infrastructure investments on our balance sheet, our stock price and our ability to raise capital may be adversely affected. In addition, at such time as we no longer have a controlling interest in DataBank and Vantage SDC, our determination to consolidate such entities would likely change, resulting in significant changes to our financial statements, which may also adversely impact our stock price.

**There may be conflicts of interest between us and our Chief Executive Officer and certain other former senior DBH employees that could result in decisions that are not in the best interests of our stockholders.**

Prior to our combination with DBH, Marc C. Ganzi, our Chief Executive Officer, and Benjamin Jenkins, our President, and certain other DBRG employees who are former senior DBH employees (collectively, "Former DBH Employees") made personal investments in certain portfolio companies and/or related vehicles (collectively, the "DBH Portfolio Companies"), which DBH acquired along with a consortium of third-party investors. In the DBH combination, we acquired the contracts to provide investment advisory and other business services to the DBH Portfolio Companies, while Mr. Ganzi and Mr. Jenkins the Former DBH Employees retained their respective investments in the DBH Portfolio Companies. As a result of these personal investments and related outside business activities, Mr. Ganzi, Mr. Jenkins and certain other senior the Former DBH employees Employees may have control, veto rights or significant influence over, or be required to represent the interests of certain third-party investors in, major decisions and other operational matters at the DBH Portfolio Companies. In addition, Mr. Ganzi, Mr. Jenkins and certain other Former DBH employees Employees may be entitled to receive carried interest payments from the DBH Portfolio Companies upon the occurrence of certain events. As a result, Mr. Ganzi, Mr. Jenkins, and certain other senior Former DBH employees, Employees, may have different objectives than us regarding the performance and management of, transactions with or investment allocations to, the DBH Portfolio Companies. The Company has attempted, and will continue to attempt, to

manage and mitigate actual or potential conflicts of interest between us, on the one hand, and Mr. Ganzi, Mr. Jenkins and certain other senior the Former DBH employees, Employees, on the other hand; however, there can be no assurances that such attempts will be effective.

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As a result of their personal investments in DataBank and Vantage Data Centers (the prior owner of the assets from which the assets of Vantage SDC were spun out) prior to the Company's acquisition of DBH and prior to the Company's investment in Vantage SDC, additional investments made by the Company in DataBank and Vantage SDC subsequent to their initial acquisitions have already and may in the future trigger future carried interest payments to Mr. Ganzi and Mr. Jenkins the Former DBH Employees upon the occurrence of future realization events. Such investments made by the Company include ongoing payments for the buildout of expansion capacity, including lease-up of the expanded capacity and existing inventory, in Vantage SDC and the acquisition of additional interest in

DataBank from an existing investor in January 2022, SDC. In such transactions, the Company takes a series of steps to mitigate the conflicts in the transactions, including, among others, obtaining approval from an independent committee of the board of directors, directors for any related party transactions. In addition, at the time of the Company's investment in Vantage SDC, Mr. Ganzi and Mr. Jenkins agreed to roll their entitlements to future carried interest in Vantage SDC into equity in Vantage SDC to further align their interests with the Company. For additional information regarding payments to Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins relating to DataBank and Vantage SDC acquisitions, see Note 16.16 Transactions with Affiliates, in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Subject to our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and related party transaction policies and procedures, as applicable, we may continue to enter into transactions or other arrangements with the DBH Portfolio Companies in which there are actual or potential conflicts of interests between us and Mr. Ganzi, Mr. Jenkins and certain other senior employees, Former DBH Employees. Despite having related party transaction policies and procedures in place and having conflict mitigants in such transactions, such transactions may not be on terms as favorable to us as they would have been if they had been negotiated among unrelated parties. In addition, such transactions may result in future conflicts of interest if Mr. Ganzi's or Mr. Jenkins' the continuing interests of the Former DBH Employees in the transaction (if any) are not aligned with the Company's.

**We have been and may continue to be subject to the actions of activist stockholders, which could cause us to incur substantial costs, divert management's attention and resources, and have an adverse effect on our business.**

We have been and may continue to be the subject of increased activity by activist stockholders. Responding to stockholder activism can be costly and time-consuming, disrupt our operations and divert the attention of management and our employees from executing our business plan. Activist campaigns can create perceived uncertainties as to our future direction, strategy or leadership and may result in the loss of potential business opportunities, harm our ability to attract new investors, tenants/operators/managers and joint venture partners, cause us to incur increased legal, advisory and other expenses and cause our stock price to experience periods of volatility or stagnation. Moreover, if individuals are elected to our board of directors with a specific agenda, even though less than a majority, our ability to effectively and timely implement our current initiatives and execute on our long-term strategy may be adversely affected.

**Our assets may continue to be subject to impairment charges, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.**

We evaluate our long-lived assets, primarily real estate held for investment, for impairment periodically or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. In evaluating and/or measuring impairment, the Company considers, among other things, current and estimated future cash flows associated with each property, market information for each sub-market and other quantitative and qualitative factors. Another key consideration in this assessment is the Company's assumptions about the highest and best use of its real estate investments and its intent and ability to hold them for a reasonable period that would allow for the recovery of their

carrying values. These key assumptions are subjective in nature and could differ materially from actual results if the property was disposed. Changes in our strategy or changes in the marketplace may alter the hold period of an asset or asset group, which may result in an impairment loss, and such loss could be material to our financial condition or operating performance. If, after giving effect to such changes, we conclude that the carrying values of such assets or asset groups are no longer recoverable, we may recognize impairments in future periods equal to the excess of the carrying values over the estimated fair value. Such impairments could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

In addition, we have and may continue to recognize impairments on the Company's equity method investments and goodwill. For example, in 2022, the Company determined that its investment in BrightSpire Capital, Inc. ("BRSP") was other-than-temporarily impaired and recorded an impairment charge of \$60 million.

These subjective assessments have a direct impact on our net income because recording an impairment charge results in an immediate negative adjustment to net income. There can be no assurance that we will not take additional charges in the future related to the impairment of our assets. Any future impairment could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations in the period in which the charge is taken.

**The occurrence of a security cybersecurity incident or a deficiency in our or a failure to implement effective information and cybersecurity policies, procedures and capabilities has the potential to disrupt our operations, cause material harm to our financial condition, result in misappropriation of assets, compromise confidential information and/or damage our business relationships.**

As an asset manager, our business is highly dependent on information technology networks and systems, including systems provided by third parties over which we have no control. We may also have limited opportunity to verify the security, effectiveness and resiliency of systems provided by third parties or to cause third parties to implement necessary or desirable improvements for such systems. In the normal course of business, we and our service providers process proprietary, confidential, and personal information provided by our customers, employees, and vendors. In addition to our information technology networks and systems, our funds' portfolio companies maintain their own information technology networks and systems to access, store, transmit, and manage or support a variety of business processes and proprietary, confidential, and personal information. The risk of a security cybersecurity incident or system or network disruption to networks and systems, including through cyber-attacks or cyber intrusions, including by computer hackers, nation-state affiliated actors, and cyber terrorists, has generally increased as the number, intensity and sophistication of attempted attacks and intrusions from around the world have increased. A security cybersecurity incident or a significant and extended disruption to our or our funds' portfolio companies' systems or systems provided by third parties caused by a third-party or by employee error, negligence or fraud, or a failure to report such an incident or significant and extended disruption in the timeframe required by law, may result in compromise or corruption of, or unauthorized access to or acquisition of, proprietary, confidential, or personal information collected in the course of conducting our business; misappropriation of assets; disruption of our operations, material harm to our financial condition, cash flows, and the market price of our common shares; significant remediation expenses; and increased cybersecurity protection and insurance costs. A security cybersecurity incident or disruption could also interfere with our ability to comply with financial reporting requirements or result in loss of competitive position, regulatory actions or increased regulatory scrutiny, litigation, breach of contracts, reputational harm, damage to our stakeholder relationships, or legal liability. While we may be entitled to damages if our third-party service providers fail to satisfy their cybersecurity-related obligations to us, any award may be insufficient to cover our damages, or we may be unable to recover such award. Additionally, future or past business transactions (such as acquisitions or integrations) could expose us to additional cybersecurity risks and vulnerabilities, as our systems could be negatively affected by vulnerabilities present in acquired or integrated entities' systems and technologies. Furthermore, we may identify security issues that were not found during due diligence of such acquired or integrated entities, and it may be difficult to integrate companies into our information technology environment and security program.

These risks require continuous and likely increasing attention and resources from us to, among other actions, identify and quantify these risks; upgrade and expand our technologies, systems, and processes to adequately address them; and provide periodic training for our employees to assist them in detecting phishing, malware, and other schemes. This diverts time and resources from other activities. In addition, the cost and operational consequences of responding to a security cybersecurity incident or deficiency in our cybersecurity could be significant. And although Although we make efforts to maintain the security and integrity of our networks and systems, and the proprietary, confidential and personal information that resides on or is transmitted through them, and we have implemented various cyber security cybersecurity policies, procedures capabilities to

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manage the risk of a security cybersecurity incident or disruption, there can be no assurance that our security cybersecurity efforts and measures will be effective or that attempted security cybersecurity incidents or disruptions would not be successful or damaging. And due to the complexity and interconnectedness of our information technology networks and systems, and those upon which we rely, the process of upgrading or patching our protective measures could itself create a risk of cybersecurity issues or system disruptions for the Company, as well as for clients who rely upon, or have exposure to, such information technology networks and systems.

Moreover, data protection laws and regulations in the jurisdictions where we operate often require "reasonable," "appropriate" or "adequate" technical and organizational security cybersecurity measures, and the interpretation and application of those laws and regulations are often uncertain and evolving; there can be no assurance that our security cybersecurity measures will be deemed adequate, appropriate or reasonable by a regulator or court. Increased regulation of data collection, use and retention practices, including self-regulation and industry standards, changes in existing laws and regulations, enactment of new laws and regulations, increased enforcement activity, and changes in interpretation of laws, could increase our cost of compliance and operation, limit our ability to grow our business or otherwise harm the Company.

While we have purchased cybersecurity insurance, there are no assurances that the coverage would be adequate in relation to any incurred losses. Moreover, as cyber-attacks and cyber intrusions increase in frequency and magnitude, we may be unable to obtain cybersecurity insurance in amounts and on terms we view as adequate for our operations.

Our funds' portfolio companies also rely on similar systems and face similar risks. A disruption or compromise of these systems could have a material adverse effect on the value of these businesses. Our funds may invest in strategic assets having a national or regional profile or in infrastructure assets, the nature of which could expose them to a greater risk of being subject to a terrorist attack or cybersecurity breach than other assets or businesses. Such an event may have material adverse consequences on other of our investment or assets of the same type or may require applicable portfolio companies to increase preventative cybersecurity measures or expand insurance coverage.

**We may not realize the anticipated benefits of our strategic partnerships and joint ventures.**



We have and may continue to enter into strategic partnerships and joint ventures to support growth in our business. We may also make investments in partnerships or other co-ownership arrangements or participations with third parties. In connection with our investments, our partners provide, among other things, property management, investment advisory, sub-advisory and other services to us and certain of the companies that we manage. **We Any failure of our partners to perform their obligations may have a negative impact on our financial performance and results of operation.** Additionally, we may not realize any of the anticipated benefits of our strategic partnerships and joint ventures. Such investments and any future strategic partnerships and/or joint ventures subject us and the companies we manage to risks and uncertainties not otherwise present with other methods of investment.

**For a substantial portion of our assets, we rely upon joint venture partners to manage the day-to-day operations of the joint venture and underlying assets, as well as to prepare financial information for the joint venture. Any failure to perform these obligations may have a negative impact on our financial performance and results of operations. In addition, the terms of the agreements with our partners may limit or restrict our ability to make additional capital contributions for the benefit of properties or to sell or otherwise dispose of properties or interests held in joint ventures, even for ventures where we are the controlling partner. In certain instances, we may not control our joint venture investments. In these ventures, the controlling partner(s) may be able to take actions which are not in our best interests or the best interests of the investments we manage. Furthermore, to the extent that our joint venture partner provides services to the companies we manage, certain conflicts of interest will exist. Moreover, we may decide to terminate a strategic relationship or joint venture partner, which could be costly and time-consuming for our management team.**

**Any of the above might subject us to liabilities and thus reduce our returns on our investment with that joint venture partner, which in turn may have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. In addition,**

**disagreements or disputes between us and our joint venture partner(s) could result in litigation, which could increase our expenses and potentially limit the time and effort our officers and directors are able to devote to our business.**

**We are subject to substantial litigation risks and may face significant liabilities and damage to our professional reputation as a result of litigation allegations and negative publicity.**

In the ordinary course of business, we are subject to the risk of substantial litigation and face significant regulatory oversight. Such litigation and proceedings, including, regulatory actions and shareholder class action suits, may result in defense costs, settlements, fines or judgments against us, some of which may not be covered by **insurance. insurance or may result in disputes with insurance carriers relating to coverage.** Litigation could be more likely in connection with a change of control transaction or during periods of market dislocation, shareholder activism or proxy contests. Due to the inherent uncertainties of litigation and regulatory proceedings, we cannot accurately predict the ultimate outcome of any such litigation or proceedings. An unfavorable outcome could negatively impact our cash flow, financial condition, results of operations and trading price of our shares of class A common stock.

In addition, even in the absence of misconduct, we may be exposed to litigation or other adverse consequences where investments perform poorly and investors in or alongside our managed companies experience losses. We depend to a large extent on our business relationships and our reputation for integrity and high-caliber professional services to attract and retain investors and to pursue investment opportunities for us and our managed companies. As a result, allegations of improper conduct by private litigants (including investors in or alongside our managed companies) or regulators, whether the ultimate outcome is favorable or unfavorable to us, as well as negative publicity and press speculation about us, our investment activities or the private equity industry in general, whether or not valid, may harm our reputation, which may be more damaging to our business than to other types of businesses.

**Employee misconduct Misconduct by our current and former employees, directors, advisers, third party-service providers or others affiliated with us could harm us by impairing our ability to attract and retain clients investors and by subjecting us to significant legal liability, regulatory scrutiny and reputational harm. Fraud and other deceptive practices or other misconduct at our funds' portfolio companies could similarly subject us to liability and reputational damage and also harm performance.**

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Our current and former employees, directors, advisers, third party-service providers or others affiliated with us could engage in misconduct or be accused of engaging in misconduct that adversely affects our business. We are subject to a number of obligations and standards arising from our asset management business and our authority over the assets managed by our asset management business. **The If anyone associated or affiliated with us, or the portfolio companies of the funds we manage, were to engage, or be accused of engaging in illegal or suspicious activities, sexual harassment, racial or gender discrimination, improper use or disclosure of confidential information, fraud, payment or solicitation of bribes, misrepresentation of products and services or any other type of similar misconduct or violation of these obligations other laws and standards by any of our employees would adversely affect our clients and us. Our business often requires that we deal with confidential matters of great significance to companies in which we may invest. If our employees were to improperly use or disclose confidential information, regulations, we could suffer serious harm to our brand and reputation, be subject to penalties or sanctions, face difficulties in raising funds, and suffer serious harm to our financial position and current and future business relationships. Detecting relationships, as well as face potentially significant litigation or deterring employee misconduct is not always possible, and the extensive precautions we take to detect and prevent this activity may not be effective in all cases. If one of our employees were to engage in misconduct or were to be accused of such misconduct, our business and our reputation could be adversely affected. investigations.**

In recent years, the U.S. Department of Justice and the SEC have devoted greater resources to enforcement of the FCPA. In addition, the U.K. has also significantly expanded the reach of its anti-bribery laws. While we have developed and implemented policies and procedures designed to ensure strict compliance by us and our personnel with the FCPA and other anti-corruption laws, such policies and procedures may not be effective in all instances to prevent violations. **In addition, we may face an increased risk of such misconduct to the extent our investment in non-U.S. markets, particularly emerging markets, increases.** Any determination that we have violated the FCPA, the U.K. anti-bribery laws or other applicable anti-corruption laws, could subject us to, among other things, civil and criminal penalties or material fines, profit disgorgement, injunctions on future conduct, securities litigation and a general loss of investor confidence, any one of which could adversely affect our business prospects, financial position or the market value of our common stock.

**In addition, We have been and may continue to be subject to the actions of activist stockholders, which could cause us to incur substantial costs, divert management's attention and resources, and have an adverse effect on our business.**

We have been and may continue to be the subject of increased activity by activist stockholders. Responding to stockholder activism can be costly and time-consuming, disrupt our operations and divert the attention of management and our employees from executing our business plan. Activist campaigns can create perceived uncertainties as to our future direction, strategy or leadership and may result in the loss of potential business opportunities, harm our ability to attract new investors, tenants/operators/managers and joint venture partners, cause us to incur increased legal, advisory and other expenses and cause our stock price to experience periods of volatility or stagnation. Moreover, if individuals are elected to our board of directors with a specific agenda, even though less than a majority, our ability to effectively and timely implement our current initiatives and execute on our long-term strategy may be adversely affected.

### Risks Related to Financing

**We require capital to continue to operate and grow our business, and the failure to obtain such capital, either through the public or private markets or other third-party sources of capital, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and ability to maintain our dividends to our stockholders.**

We require capital to fund acquisitions and originations of our target investments, to fund our operations, including overhead costs, to fund dividends to our stockholders and to repay principal and interest on our borrowings. We expect to meet our capital requirements using cash on hand and cash flow generated from our operations and investments. However, we may also have to rely on third-party sources of capital, including public and private offerings of securities and debt financings. Third-party financing may not be available to us when needed, on favorable terms, or at all. If we are unable to obtain adequate financing to fund or grow our business, it could have a material adverse effect on our ability to acquire additional assets and make our debt service payments, and our financial condition, results of operations and the ability to fund our distributions to our stockholders would be materially adversely affected if there is misconduct by personnel affected.

**Changes in the debt financing markets or higher interest rates could negatively impact the value of certain assets or investments and the ability of our funds and their portfolio companies to access the capital markets on attractive terms, which could adversely affect investment and realization opportunities, lead to lower-yielding investments and potentially decrease our net income.**

A significant contraction or weakening in which the market for debt financing or other adverse change relating to the terms of debt financing, including higher interest rates and equity requirements and more restrictive covenants, could have a material adverse impact on our business and that of our investment funds and their portfolio companies. Additionally, higher interest rates may create downward pressure on the price of digital infrastructure assets, increase the cost and availability of debt financing for the transactions our funds invest. For example, financial fraud may pursue and decrease the value of fixed-rate debt investments made by our funds. If our funds are unable to obtain committed debt financing for potential acquisitions or are

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only able to obtain debt financing at unfavorable interest rates or on unfavorable terms, our funds may have difficulty completing acquisitions that may have otherwise been profitable or if completed, such acquisitions could generate lower than expected profits, each of which could lead to a decrease in our net income. Further, should the equity markets experience a period of sustained declines in values as a result of concerns regarding higher interest rates, our funds may face increased difficulty in realizing value from investments.

Our funds' portfolio companies also regularly utilize the corporate debt markets in order to obtain financing for their operations. To the extent monetary policy, tax or other deceptive practices at regulatory changes or difficult credit markets render such financing difficult to obtain, more expensive or otherwise less attractive, this may also negatively impact the financial results of those portfolio companies and, therefore, the investment returns on our funds. In addition, to the extent that market conditions and/or tax or other regulatory changes make it difficult or impossible to refinance debt that is maturing in the near term, some of our funds' portfolio companies may be unable to repay such debt at maturity and may be forced to sell assets, undergo a recapitalization or failures by personnel at seek bankruptcy protection.

**Increases in interest rates could adversely affect the value of our funds' portfolio companies investments and cause our interest expense to comply with anti-bribery, trade sanctions, anti-harassment, anti-discrimination increase, which could result in reduced earnings or other legal losses and regulatory requirements, negatively affect our profitability as well as the cash available for distribution to our stockholders.**

The value of our investments in certain assets may decline if long-term interest rates continue to increase or remain elevated. Declines in the value of our investments may ultimately reduce earnings or result in losses to us, which may negatively affect cash available for distribution to our stockholders. In addition, in a period of rising interest rates, our operating results will partially depend on the difference between the income from our assets and financing costs. We anticipate that, in some cases, the income from such assets will respond more slowly to interest rate fluctuations than the cost of our borrowings. Consequently, changes in interest rates, particularly short-term interest rates, may significantly influence our net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income we earn on our interest-earning investments and the interest expense we incur in financing these investments. Increases in these rates could subject decrease our net income and the market value of our assets.

Rising interest rates may also affect the yield on our investments or target investments and the financing cost of our debt. If rising interest rates cause us to among other things, civil be unable to acquire a sufficient volume of our target investments with a yield that is above our borrowing cost, our ability to satisfy our investment objectives and criminal penalties or material fines, profit disgorgement, injunctions on future conduct to generate income and securities litigation, pay dividends may be materially and could also cause significant reputational and business harm to us. Such misconduct may undermine our due diligence efforts with respect to such portfolio companies and could negatively affect the valuations of the investments by our funds in such portfolio companies. In addition, we may face an increased risk of such misconduct adversely affected. Due to the extent foregoing, significant fluctuations in interest rates could materially and adversely affect our investment in non-U.S. markets, particularly emerging markets, increases.

**Risks Related results of operations, financial conditions and our ability to Financing make distributions to our stockholders.**

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash flow to meet all of our existing or potential future debt service obligations.

Our ability to meet all of our existing or potential future debt service obligations (including those under our securitized debt instruments), to refinance our existing or potential future indebtedness, and to fund our operations, working capital, acquisitions, capital expenditures, and other important business uses, depends on our ability to generate sufficient cash flow in the future. Our future cash flow is subject to, among other factors, general economic, industry, financial, competitive, operating, legislative, and regulatory conditions, many of which are beyond our control.

We cannot assure you that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations or that future sources of cash will be available to us on favorable terms, or at all, in amounts sufficient to enable us to meet all of our existing or potential future debt service obligations, or to fund our other important business uses or liquidity needs. Furthermore, if we incur additional indebtedness in connection with future acquisitions or for any other purpose, our existing or potential future debt service obligations could increase significantly and our ability to meet those obligations could depend, in large part, on the returns from such acquisitions or projects, as to which no assurance can be given.

Furthermore, our obligations under the terms of our borrowings could impact us negatively. For example, such obligations could:

- limit our ability to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures, debt service requirements, acquisitions and general corporate or other purposes;
- restrict us from making strategic acquisitions or cause us to make non-strategic divestitures;
- restrict us from paying dividends to our stockholders;
- increase our vulnerability to general economic and industry conditions; and

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- require a substantial portion of cash flow from operations to be dedicated to the payment of principal and interest on our borrowings, thereby reducing our ability to use cash flow to fund our operations, capital expenditures and future business opportunities.

We may also need to refinance all or a portion of our indebtedness at or prior to the scheduled maturity. Our ability to refinance our indebtedness or obtain additional financing will depend on, among other things, (i) our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations, distributable earnings ("DE") prospects, and then-current market conditions; and (ii) restrictions in the agreements governing our indebtedness. As a result, we may not be able to refinance any of our indebtedness or obtain additional financing on favorable terms, or at all.

In particular, our securitization co-issuers' ability to refinance the securitization debt instruments or sell their interests in the securitization collateral will be affected by a number of factors, including the availability of credit for the collateral, the fair market value of the securitization collateral, our securitization entities' financial condition, the operating history of the securitization managed funds, tax laws and general economic conditions. The ability of our securitization entities to sell or refinance their interests in the securitization collateral at or before the anticipated repayment date of the securitization debt instruments will also be affected by the degree of our success in forming new funds as additional managed funds for the securitization collateral pool. In the event that our securitization entities are not able to refinance the securitization debt instruments prior to the anticipated repayment date for such instruments, the interest payable on such securitization debt instruments will increase, which will reduce the cash flow available to us for other purposes.

If we do not generate sufficient cash flow from operations and additional borrowings or refinancings are not available to us, we may be unable to meet all of our existing or potential future debt service obligations. As a result, we would be forced to take other actions to meet those obligations, such as selling **properties, assets**, raising equity or delaying capital expenditures, any of which could have a material adverse effect on us. Furthermore, we cannot assure you that we will be able to effect any of these actions on favorable terms, or at all.

#### **The securitization transaction documents impose certain restrictions on our activities or the activities of our subsidiaries, and the failure to comply with such restrictions could adversely affect our business.**

The indenture and other agreements entered into by certain of our subsidiaries contain various covenants that limit our and our subsidiaries' ability to engage in specified types of transactions. For example, among other things **our** covenants restrict (subject to certain exceptions) the ability of certain subsidiaries to:

- incur or guarantee additional indebtedness;
- sell certain assets;
- alter the business conducted by our subsidiaries;
- create new subsidiaries or alter our current cash distribution arrangements;
- create or incur liens on certain assets; or
- consolidate, merge, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the assets held within the securitization entities.

In addition, under the transaction documents related to our securitization transactions, a failure to comply with certain covenants could prevent our securitization entities from distributing any excess cash to us, which may limit our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

As a result of these restrictions, we may not have adequate resources or the flexibility to continue to manage the business and provide for our growth, which could adversely affect our future growth prospects, financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

#### **The securitized debt instruments issued by certain of our wholly-owned subsidiaries have restrictive terms, and any failure to comply with such terms could result in default, which could adversely affect our business.**



The securitization debt instruments are subject to a series of covenants and restrictions customary for transactions of this type, including (i) that the securitization co-issuers maintain specified reserve accounts to be used to make required payments in respect of the securitization notes, (ii) provisions relating to optional and mandatory prepayments and the related payment of specified amounts, including specified prepayment consideration in the case of the securitization term notes under certain circumstances, (iii) in the event that the securitization notes are not fully repaid by their applicable respective anticipated repayment dates, provisions relating to additional interest that will begin to accrue from and after such respective anticipated repayment dates and (iv) covenants relating to record keeping, access to information and similar matters. The securitization notes are also subject to customary amortization events, including events tied to failure

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to maintain stated debt service coverage ratios. The securitization notes are also subject to certain customary events of default, including events relating to non-payment of required interest, principal, or other amounts due on or with respect to the securitization notes, failure to comply with covenants within certain time frames, certain bankruptcy events, breaches of specified representations and warranties and the termination for cause of certain limited partnership agreements of investment vehicles managed by us resulting in a specified percentage decrease of annualized recurring fees.

In the event that an amortization event occurs under the indenture which would require repayment of the securitization debt instruments or in the event of failure to repay or refinance the securitized debt instruments prior to the anticipated repayment date, the funds available to us would be reduced, which would in turn reduce our ability to operate and/or grow our business. If our subsidiaries are not able to generate sufficient cash flow to service their debt obligations, they may need to refinance or restructure debt, sell assets, reduce or delay capital investments, or seek to raise additional capital. If our subsidiaries are unable to implement one or more of these alternatives, they may not be able to meet debt payment and other obligations which could have an adverse effect on our financial condition.

### **Our use of leverage to finance our businesses exposes us to substantial risks.**

As of **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**, we had \$300 million in borrowings outstanding under our securitized financing facility **\$278 million and \$78.4 million** aggregate principal amount of convertible and exchangeable senior notes **outstanding and approximately \$4.6 billion of non-recourse investment level secured debt associated with our balance sheet investments, outstanding**. We may choose to finance our businesses operations through further borrowings under the securitized financing facility or by issuing additional debt. Our existing and future indebtedness exposes us to the typical risks associated with the use of leverage, including the risks related to changes in debt financing markets and higher interest **rates described below**. In addition, until such time as the financials of our Operating segment cease to be consolidated with our financial statements, the non-recourse debt associated with our balance sheet investments may impact assessments of our leverage by investors and rating agencies which may adversely impact our stock price and our ability to obtain and maintain favorable credit ratings.

**Changes in the debt financing markets or higher interest rates could negatively impact the value of certain assets or investments and the ability of our funds and their portfolio companies to access the capital markets on attractive terms, which could adversely affect investment and realization opportunities, lead to lower-yielding investments and potentially decrease our net income.**

A significant contraction or weakening in the market for debt financing or other adverse change relating to the terms of debt financing, including higher interest rates and equity requirements and more restrictive covenants, could have a material adverse impact on our business and that of our investment funds and their portfolio companies. Additionally, higher interest rates may create downward pressure on the price of digital infrastructure assets, increase the cost and availability of debt financing for the transactions our funds may pursue and decrease the value of fixed-rate debt

investments made by our funds. If our funds are unable to obtain committed debt financing for potential acquisitions or are only able to obtain debt financing at unfavorable interest rates or on unfavorable terms, our funds may have difficulty completing acquisitions that may have otherwise been profitable or if completed, such acquisitions could generate lower than expected profits, each of which could lead to a decrease in our net income. Further, should the equity markets experience a period of sustained declines in values as a result of concerns regarding rising interest rates, our funds may face increased difficulty in realizing value from investments. **rates.**

**Our funds' portfolio companies also regularly utilize the corporate debt markets in order to obtain financing for their operations. To the extent monetary policy, tax or other regulatory changes or difficult credit markets render such financing difficult to obtain, more expensive or otherwise less attractive, this indebtedness may also negatively impact the financial results of those portfolio companies and, therefore, the investment returns bear interest based on our funds. In addition, to the extent that market conditions and/or tax or other regulatory changes make it difficult or impossible to refinance debt that SOFR, but experience with SOFR based loans is maturing in the near term, some of our funds' portfolio companies may be unable to repay such debt at maturity and may be forced to sell assets, undergo a recapitalization or seek bankruptcy protection.**

**Increases in interest rates could adversely affect the value of our investments and cause our interest expense to increase, which could result in reduced earnings or losses and negatively affect our profitability as well as the cash available for distribution to our stockholders.**

The value of our investments in certain assets may decline if long-term interest rates continue to increase. Declines in the value of our investments may ultimately reduce earnings or result in losses to us, which may negatively affect cash available for distribution to our stockholders. In addition, in a period of rising interest rates, our operating results will partially depend on the difference between the income from our assets and financing costs. We anticipate that, in some cases, the income from such assets will respond more slowly to interest rate fluctuations than the cost of our borrowings. Consequently, changes in interest rates, particularly short-term interest rates, may significantly influence our net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income we earn on our interest-earning investments and the interest expense we incur in financing these investments. Increases in these rates could decrease our net income and the market value of our assets.

Rising interest rates may also affect the yield on our investments or target investments and the financing cost of our debt. If rising interest rates cause us to be unable to acquire a sufficient volume of our target investments with a yield that is above our borrowing cost, our ability to satisfy our investment objectives and to generate income and pay dividends may be materially and adversely affected. Due to the foregoing, significant fluctuations in interest rates could materially and adversely affect our results of operations, financial conditions and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

**The changes to the reference rate used in our existing floating rate debt instruments and hedging arrangements are uncertain and may adversely affect interest rates on our current or future indebtedness and could hinder our ability to maintain effective hedges, potentially resulting in adverse impacts to our business operations and financial results, limited.**

Our securitization variable funding notes, certain senior VFN require and junior subordinated notes and certain hedging transactions determine future indebtedness may require the applicable interest rate or payment amount be determined by reference to a benchmark rate, such as the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR"). The use of SOFR based rates may result in interest rates and/or to another financial metric. The payments that are higher or lower than the rates and payments that we previously experienced under USD-LIBOR. In addition, the use of SOFR based rates is relatively new, and there could be unanticipated difficulties or disruptions with the calculation and publication of the one-week and two-month US Dollar LIBOR ("USD LIBOR") maturities and non-USD LIBOR maturities ceased immediately after December 31, 2021, and the remaining USD LIBOR maturities will cease immediately after June 30, 2023. The composition and characteristics of SOFR differ from those of LIBOR in material respects: SOFR is a secured rate, LIBOR is an unsecured rate, and while SOFR is an overnight rate, LIBOR represents interbank funding for a specified term. SOFR is a measure of the cost of borrowing cash overnight, collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities, and is based on directly observable U.S. Treasury-backed repurchase transactions. Liquidity in SOFR-linked products has increased significantly since 2021 after the implementation of the SOFR First best practice as recommended by the Market Risk Advisory Committee of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. There can be no assurance rates that SOFR will perform in the same way as LIBOR would have at any time, including, without limitation, as a result of changes in interest and yield rates in the market, bank credit risk, market volatility or global or regional economic, financial, political, regulatory, judicial or other events.

Further, we can provide no assurance regarding when our current floating rate debt instruments and hedging arrangements will transition from LIBOR as a reference rate to SOFR or another reference rate. To date we have taken steps intended to minimize disruption in our business operations related to changes in the benchmark rate, including, where possible, by providing mechanisms in our LIBOR based instruments that permit or facilitate the movement from LIBOR to replacement benchmarks upon the occurrence of certain defined events occur related to the discontinuation of LIBOR. However, there can be no assurances that such steps will successfully minimize disruption or result in any of the benefits we anticipate. The discontinuation of a benchmark rate or other financial metric, changes in a benchmark rate or

other financial metric, or changes in market perceptions of the acceptability of a benchmark rate or other financial metric, including LIBOR, could among other things, result in increased interest payments, changes to our risk exposures, or require renegotiation of previous transactions. In addition, any such discontinuation or changes, whether actual or anticipated, could result in market volatility, adverse tax or accounting effects, increased compliance, legal and operational costs, and risks associated with contract negotiations. Further, confusion related to the transition from USD LIBOR to SOFR or another replacement reference rate for our floating debt and hedging instruments could have an uncertain economic effect on these instruments, hinder our ability to establish effective hedges and result in a different economic value over time for these instruments than they otherwise would have had under USD LIBOR, any of which could adversely impact USD-LIBOR. In particular, if the agent under our business operations and financial results. VFN purchase agreement determines that SOFR based rates cannot be determined, outstanding SOFR based VFN may become subject to an alternative benchmark rate.

#### Risks Related to Ownership of Our Securities

**The market price of our class A common stock has been and may continue to be volatile and holders of our class A common stock could lose all or a significant portion of their investment due to drops in the market price of our class A common stock.**

The market price of our class A common stock has been and may continue to be volatile. Our stockholders may not be able to resell their common stock at or above the implied price at which they acquired such common stock due to fluctuations in the market price of our class A common stock, including changes in market price caused by factors unrelated to our operating performance or prospects. Additionally, this volatility and other factors have and may continue to induce stockholder activism, which has been increasing in publicly traded companies in recent years and to which we have and continue to be subject, and could materially disrupt our business, operations and ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

**We may issue additional equity securities, which may dilute your interest in us.**

In order to expand our business, we may consider offering class A common stock and securities that are convertible into our class A common stock and may issue additional class A common stock in connection with acquisitions or joint ventures. If we issue and sell additional shares of our class A common stock, the ownership interests of our existing stockholders will be diluted to the extent they do not participate in the offering. The number of shares of class A common stock that we may issue for cash in non-public offerings without stockholder approval is limited by the rules of the NYSE. However, we may issue and sell shares of our class A common stock in public offerings, and there generally are exceptions that allow companies to issue a limited number of equity securities in private offerings without stockholder approval, which could dilute your ownership. In July 2020, the OP issued \$300 million in aggregate principal balance of 5.75% exchangeable senior notes due 2025 ("5.75% exchangeable notes"), which are exchangeable by the noteholder at any time prior to maturity into shares of our class A common stock at an exchange rate of 108.6956 shares of class A common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events. As of December 31, 2022 December 31, 2023, there were approximately \$78 million \$78.4 million in aggregate principal balance of the 5.75% exchangeable

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notes outstanding. The exchange of some or all of the remaining exchangeable notes will further dilute the ownership interests of existing stockholders, and any sales in the public market of shares of our class A common stock issuable upon such exchange of the notes could adversely affect the prevailing market price.

In addition, we have and may continue to issue OP Units in the OP to current employees or third parties without stockholder approval. Subject to any applicable vesting or lock-up restrictions and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the OP agreement, a holder of OP Units may elect to redeem such OP Units for cash or, at the Company's option, shares of our class A common stock on a one-for-one basis. As a result of such OP Unit issuances and potential future issuances, your ownership will be diluted.

**Our board of directors may modify our authorized shares of stock of any class or series and may create and issue a class or series of common stock or preferred stock without stockholder approval.**

Our Articles of Amendment and Restatement, as amended (our "Charter"), authorizes our board of directors to, without stockholder approval, classify any unissued shares of common stock or preferred stock; reclassify any previously classified, but unissued, shares of common stock or preferred stock into one or more classes or series of stock; and issue such shares of stock so classified or reclassified. Our board of directors may determine the relative rights, preferences, and privileges of any class or series of common stock or preferred stock issued. As a result, we may issue series or classes of common stock or preferred stock with preferences, dividends, powers, and rights (voting or otherwise) senior to the rights of current holders of our class A common stock. The issuance of any such classes or series of common stock or preferred stock could also have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control transaction that might otherwise be in the best interests of our stockholders.

**An investment in our shares is not an investment in any of the funds we manage, and the assets and revenues of such funds are not directly available to us.**

Shares of class A common stock are securities of the Company only. While our historical consolidated and combined financial information includes financial information, including assets and revenues of certain funds we manage on a consolidated basis, and our future financial information will continue to consolidate certain of these funds, such assets and revenues are available to the fund and not to us except through management fees, performance fees, distributions in respect of the Company's investment in such funds and other proceeds arising from agreements with such funds.

## **Risks Related to Our Incorporation in Maryland**

### **Certain provisions of Maryland law could inhibit changes in control.**

Certain provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law ("MGCL") may have the effect of inhibiting a third party from making a proposal to acquire us or impeding a change of control that could provide our stockholders with the opportunity to realize a premium over the then-prevailing market price of our common stock, including:

- "business combination" provisions that, subject to limitations, prohibit certain business combinations between us and an "interested stockholder" (defined generally as any person who beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting power of our outstanding voting stock), or an affiliate thereof, for five years after the most recent date on which the stockholder becomes an interested stockholder, and thereafter imposes special appraisal rights and supermajority voting requirements on these combinations; and
- "control share" provisions that provide that holders of "control shares" of our company (defined as voting shares which, when aggregated with all other shares owned or controlled by the stockholder, entitle the stockholder to exercise one of three increasing ranges of voting power in electing directors) acquired in a "control share acquisition" (defined as the direct or indirect acquisition of ownership or control of issued and outstanding "control shares") have no voting rights except to the extent approved by our stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding all interested shares.

The statute permits various exemptions from its provisions, including business combinations that are exempted by a board of directors prior to the time that the "interested stockholder" becomes an interested stockholder. Our board of directors has, by resolution, exempted any business combination between us and any person who is an existing, or becomes in the future, an "interested stockholder," provided that any such business combination is first approved by our board of directors (including a majority of the directors of our Company who are not affiliates or associates of such person). Consequently, the five-year prohibition and the supermajority vote requirements will not apply to business combinations between us and any such person. As a result, such person may be able to enter into business combinations

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with us that may not be in the best interest of our stockholders, without compliance with the supermajority vote requirements and the other provisions of the statute. Additionally, this resolution may be altered, revoked or repealed in whole or in part at any time and we may opt back into the business combination provisions of the MGCL. If this resolution is revoked or repealed, the statute may discourage others from trying to acquire control of us and increase the difficulty of consummating any offer. In the case of the control share provisions of the MGCL, we have elected to opt out of these provisions of the MGCL pursuant to a provision in our bylaws.

### **Conflicts of interest may exist or could arise in the future with the OP and its members, which may impede business decisions that could benefit our stockholders.**

Conflicts of interest may exist or could arise as a result of the relationships between us and our affiliates, on the one hand, and the OP or any member thereof, on the other. Our directors and officers have duties to our Company and our stockholders under applicable Maryland law in connection with their management of our Company. At the same time, the Company, as sole managing member of the OP, has fiduciary duties to the OP and to its members under Delaware law in connection with the management of the OP. Our duties to the OP and its members, as the sole managing member, may come into conflict with the duties of our directors and officers to our Company and our stockholders. As of the date of this report, Mr. Ganzi and Mr. Jenkins indirectly own approximately 1.6% and 1.4%, respectively, in the OP. These conflicts may be resolved in a manner that is not in the best interest of our stockholders.

## **Regulatory Risks**

### **Extensive regulation in the United States and abroad affects our activities, increases the cost of doing business and creates the potential for significant liabilities that could adversely affect our business and results of operations.**

Our business is subject to extensive regulation, including periodic examinations by governmental agencies and self-regulatory organizations in the jurisdictions in which we operate around the world. Many of these regulators, including U.S. and foreign government agencies and self-regulatory organizations and state securities commissions in the United States, are empowered to grant, and in specific circumstances to cancel, permissions to carry on particular activities, and to conduct investigations and administrative proceedings that can result in fines, suspensions of personnel or other sanctions, including censure, the issuance of cease-and-desist orders or the suspension or expulsion of applicable licenses and memberships.

In recent years, the SEC and its staff have focused on issues relevant to global investment firms and have formed specialized units devoted to examining such firms and, in certain cases, bringing enforcement actions against the firms, their principals and their employees. Such actions and settlements involving U.S.-based private fund advisers generally

have involved a number of issues, including the undisclosed allocation of the fees, costs and expenses related to unconsummated co-investment transactions (i.e., the allocation of broken deal expenses), undisclosed legal fee arrangements affording the adviser greater discounts than those afforded to funds advised by such adviser and the undisclosed acceleration of certain special fees. Recent SEC focus areas have also included, among other things, [compliance with the SEC's marketing rule and custody rule](#), the misuse of material non-public information, material impacts on portfolio companies owned by private funds, [\(e.g., real estate related investments\)](#) [due to recent economic conditions](#), and compliance with practices described in fund disclosures regarding the use of limited partner advisory committees, including whether advisory committee approvals were properly obtained in accordance with fund disclosures.

The SEC's oversight, inspections and examinations of global investment firms, including our firm, have continued to focus on transparency, investor disclosure practices, fees and expenses, valuation and conflicts of interest and whether firms have adequate policies and procedures to ensure compliance with federal securities laws in connection with these and other areas of focus. [For example, our managed companies routinely engage our affiliated entities to provide asset level services, in accordance with the relevant fund legal documents.](#) While we believe we have procedures in place reasonably designed to monitor and make appropriate and timely disclosures regarding the engagement and compensation of our affiliated services providers and other matters of current regulatory focus, the SEC's inspections of our firm have raised concerns about these and other areas of our operations. In September 2022, Colony Capital Investment Advisors, LLC ("CCIA"), the investment adviser to certain legacy funds and vehicles holding legacy assets, received an information request from the SEC's Division of Enforcement related principally to certain alleged deficiencies identified in [a recent](#) [an](#) examination of CCIA relating to CCIA's compliance with its fiduciary duty, duty of care and disclosure of affiliate transactions involving certain legacy businesses and operations. [We are cooperating and expect to continue](#) to cooperate with the SEC staff in this investigation. Although we believe that CCIA acted in accordance with applicable legal requirements and always conducted its business in the best interests of its clients, we have taken a number of steps to improve our investor disclosures and compliance processes in response to the CCIA examination. In addition, almost all of the relevant CCIA-managed investment vehicles and related legal entities have [been](#) either [been](#) sold or wound down, and CCIA has not sponsored a new client investment

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vehicle in over [two three](#) years and has no plans to do so. Nevertheless, at this time, we cannot predict the outcome of the SEC investigation, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

In addition, in recent years the SEC and several states have initiated investigations alleging that certain private equity firms and hedge funds, or agents acting on their behalf, have paid money to current or former government officials or their associates in exchange for improperly soliciting contracts with the state pension funds (i.e., "pay to play" practices). Such "pay to play" practices are subject to extensive federal and state regulation, and any failure on our part to comply with rules surrounding "pay to play" practices could expose us to significant penalties and reputational damage.

Further, we expect a greater level of SEC enforcement activity under the current administration, and it is possible this enforcement activity will target practices that we believe are compliant and that were not targeted by prior administrations. We regularly are subject to requests for information and informal or formal investigations by the SEC and other regulatory authorities, with which we routinely cooperate and, in the current environment, even historical practices that have been previously examined are being revisited. Even if an investigation or proceeding does not result in a sanction or the sanction imposed against us or our personnel by a regulator were small in monetary amount, the costs incurred in responding to such matters could be material and the adverse publicity relating to the investigation, proceeding or imposition of these sanctions could harm our reputation and cause us to lose existing investors or fail to gain new investors or discourage others from doing business with us.

In addition, we regularly rely on exemptions from various requirements of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, the 1940 Act, the Commodity Exchange Act and ERISA in conducting our investment activities in the United States. Similarly, in conducting our investment activities outside the United States, we rely on available exemptions from the regulatory regimes of various foreign jurisdictions. These exemptions from regulation within the United States and abroad are sometimes highly complex and may, in certain circumstances, depend on compliance by third parties whom we do not control. If for any reason these exemptions were to become unavailable to us, we could become subject to regulatory action or third-party claims and our business could be materially and adversely affected. Moreover, the requirements imposed by our regulators are designed primarily to ensure the integrity of the financial markets and to protect investors in our funds and are not designed to protect our stockholders. Consequently, these regulations often serve to limit our activities and impose burdensome compliance requirements.

[In August 2023, the SEC voted to adopt the previously proposed Private Funds Rules. See Item 1. "Business—Regulatory and Compliance Matters—Investment Advisers Act of 1940." While the full impact of the Private Funds Rules cannot yet be determined, it is generally anticipated that these rules will have a significant effect on private fund advisers and their operations, including by increasing regulatory and compliance costs and burdens and heightening the risk of regulatory inquiries and actions \(including public regulatory sanctions\) and limiting the sponsor's ability or willingness to negotiate certain types of individualized terms with investors in a fund or similar pools of assets that invest alongside a fund, which may cause certain investors to not invest who otherwise might have.](#)

[In May 2022, the SEC proposed amendments to rules and reporting forms to promote consistent, comparable, and reliable information for investors concerning investment advisers' incorporation of ESG factors \(the "ESG Proposed Rule"\). The ESG Proposed Rule seeks to categorize certain types of ESG strategies broadly and require advisers to both provide census type data in Form ADV Part 1A and provide more specific disclosures in adviser brochures based on the ESG strategies they pursue. The SEC has also recently proposed, and can be expected to propose, additional new rules and rule amendments under the Investment Advisers Act including in respect of additional Form PF reporting obligations \(in addition to those recently adopted\), predictive data analytics, custody requirements, cybersecurity risk governance, the outsourcing of certain functions to service providers and changes to Regulation S-P \(together, the "Other Proposed Rules"\).](#)

[The Private Funds Rules, the ESG Proposed Rule and Other Proposed Rules, to the extent adopted, are expected to result in material alterations to how we operate our business and to significantly increase compliance burdens and associated costs and complexity and to possibly restrict our ability to receive certain expense reimbursements or allocate certain expenses in certain circumstances. This regulatory complexity, in turn, may increase the need for broader insurance coverage and increase such costs and expenses. Certain of the proposed rules may also increase the cost of entering into and maintaining relationships with service providers to the Company and its managed funds. In addition, these amendments could expose us to additional regulatory scrutiny, litigation, censure and penalties for noncompliance or perceived noncompliance, which in turn would be expected to adversely affect our reputation and business.](#)

[In addition to the U.S. legislation described above, other jurisdictions, including many European jurisdictions, have proposed modernizing financial regulations that have called for, among other things, increased regulation of and disclosure with respect to, and possibly registration of, hedge funds and private investment funds such as through the AIFM](#)

Directive discussed below. Regulatory agencies in the United States, Europe, Asia or elsewhere may adopt burdensome laws (including tax laws) or regulations, or changes in law or regulation, or in the interpretation or

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enforcement thereof, which are specifically targeted at the private investment fund industry, or other changes that could adversely affect private investment firms and the funds they sponsor.

The European Union Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive was transposed into national law within the member states of the European Economic Area ("EEA") pursuant to national laws and regulations implemented in the member states of the EEA (the "EEA AIFMD"), and in the UK primarily pursuant to the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Regulations 2013 (including by the Alternative Investment Fund Managers (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019) and the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") Handbook of Rules and Guidance, each as amended (the "UK AIFMD", and together with the EEA AIFMD, the "AIFM Directive", as applicable). The interpretation and application of the AIFM Directive is subject to change as a result of, e.g., the issuance of binding guidelines by the European Securities and Markets Authority or further EU legislation amending the AIFM Directive. The scope and requirements of the AIFM Directive remain uncertain and may change as a result of the issuance of any further national and/or ESMA guidance with respect to the AIFM Directive, the enactment of further secondary legislation and/or the introduction of further national implementing legislation in relevant EEA member states.

It is difficult to determine the full extent of the impact on us of any new laws, regulations or initiatives that may be proposed or whether any of the proposals will become law. Any changes in the regulatory framework applicable to our business, including the changes as a result of, among others, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, may impose additional costs on us, require the attention of our senior management or result in limitations on the manner in which we conduct our business. It is expected that the current administration will continue to increase the number of

financial regulations and regulators. Furthermore, we may become subject to additional regulatory and compliance burdens as we expand our product offerings and investment platform, including raising additional funds. Moreover, as calls for additional regulation have increased as a result of heightened regulatory focus in the financial industry, there may be a related increase in regulatory investigations of the trading and other investment activities of alternative asset management funds, including our managed companies. Compliance with any new laws or regulations could make compliance more difficult and expensive, affect the manner in which we conduct our business and adversely affect our profitability.

**Failure to satisfy the 40% limitation or to qualify for an exception or exemption from registration under the 1940 Act under Rule 3a-1 or otherwise could require us to register as an investment company or substantially change the way we conduct our business, either of which may have an adverse effect on us and the market price for shares of our class A common stock.**

We intend to conduct our operations so that we and our subsidiaries are not required to register as investment companies under the 1940 Act. Compliance with the 40% limitation on holding investment securities under the 1940 Act and maintenance of applicable exceptions or exemptions, including Rule 3a-1 which provides an exemption for a company primarily engaged in a non-investment company business based on the nature of its assets and the sources of income, impose certain requirements on how we structure our balance sheet investments and manage our sponsored funds. Continuing satisfaction of the 40% limitation or qualification for Rule 3a-1 or another exception or exemption from registration under the 1940 Act will limit our ability to make certain investments or change the relevant mix of our investments.

If we fail to satisfy the 40% limitation or to maintain any applicable exception or exemption from registration as an investment company under the 1940 Act, either because of changes in SEC guidance or otherwise, we could be required to, among other things: (i) substantially change the manner in which we conduct our operations and the assets that we own to avoid being required to register as an investment company under the 1940 Act; or (ii) register as an investment company. Either of (i) or (ii) could have an adverse effect on us and the market price for shares of our class A common stock. If we are required to register as an investment company under the 1940 Act, we would become subject to substantial regulation with respect to our capital structure (including our ability to use leverage), management, operations, transactions with affiliated persons (as defined in the 1940 Act), portfolio composition, including restrictions with respect to diversification and industry concentration, and other matters.

## **Regulation regarding climate change may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.**

Changes in federal and state legislation and regulations on climate change could result in utility expenses and/or capital expenditures to improve the energy efficiency of our existing properties or other related aspects of our properties in order to comply with such regulations or otherwise adapt to climate change. These regulations may require unplanned capital improvements, and increased engagement to manage occupant energy use, which is a large driver of building performance. If our properties cannot meet performance standards, we could be exposed to fines for non-compliance, as well as a decrease in demand and a decline in value. As a result, our financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

**Privacy and data protection regulations are complex and rapidly evolving areas. Any failure or alleged failure to comply with these laws could harm our business, reputation, financial condition, and operating results.**

Various federal, state, and foreign laws and regulations as well as industry standards and contractual obligations govern the collection, use, retention, protection, disclosure, cross-border transfer, localization, sharing, and security of the data we receive from and about our customers, employees, and other individuals. The regulatory environment for the collection and use of personal information for companies, including for those that own and manage data centers and other communications technologies, is evolving in the United States and internationally. The U.S. federal government, U.S. states, and foreign governments have enacted (or are considering) laws and regulations that may restrict our ability to

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collect, use, and disclose personal information and may increase or change our obligations with respect to storing or managing our own data, including our employees' personal information, as well as our customers' clients' data, which may include individuals' personal information. For example, the EU General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR") GDPR



imposes detailed requirements related to the collection, storage, and use of personal information related to people located in the EU (or which is processed in the context of EU operations) and places **new** data protection obligations and restrictions on organizations, and may require us to make further changes to our policies and procedures in the future beyond what we have already done. In addition, in the wake of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the EU, the United Kingdom has adopted a framework similar to the GDPR. The EU has confirmed that the UK data protection framework as being "adequate" to receive EU personal data. We are monitoring recent developments regarding amendments to the UK data protection framework and the impact this may have on our business.

Privacy and consumer rights groups and government bodies (including the U.S. Federal Trade Commission ("FTC")), state attorneys general, the European Commission, and data protection authorities in Europe, the UK, Singapore, and other jurisdictions, are increasingly scrutinizing privacy, and we expect such scrutiny to continue to increase. This could result in loss of competitive position, regulatory actions or increased regulatory scrutiny, litigation, breach of contract, reputational harm, damage to our stakeholder relationships, or legal liability. We cannot predict how future laws, regulations and standards, or future interpretations of current laws, regulations and standards, related to privacy and data protection will affect our business, and we cannot predict the cost of compliance.

## Risks Related to Taxation

**Our obligations to pay income taxes **will increase** **increased** as a result of no longer qualifying for REIT status, effective January 1, 2022.**

We became a taxable C Corporation effective for the taxable year ended December 31, 2022. As a REIT, we generally were permitted to deduct any dividends paid on our stock from our REIT taxable income. We reinstated the dividend on our common stock in September of 2022 and we also currently pay dividends on our approximately **\$828 million** **\$821.9 million** of outstanding preferred stock. As a result of no longer qualifying for REIT status, we **will not be** **are no longer** allowed a deduction for dividends paid to our stockholders (including the preferred dividends we currently pay) in computing our taxable income and **will be** **are** subject to U.S. federal and state income tax on our taxable income at corporate tax rates. This could impair our ability to satisfy our financial obligations and negatively impact the price of our securities. This treatment could also reduce our net earnings available for investment or distribution to our stockholders because of the additional tax liability to us. Further, federal and state income tax rates could increase in the future, exacerbating these risks. We **are also** **will be** disqualified from electing REIT status under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code, through December 31, 2026.

**We are no longer subject to the REIT distribution requirements, and as such we are not required to make annual distributions of our net income to stockholders, which could have an adverse impact on our stock price.**

As a REIT, we were required to distribute annually at least 90% of our "REIT taxable income" (subject to certain adjustments and excluding any net capital gain) in order to qualify as a REIT. We no longer qualify for REIT status and became a taxable C Corporation effective for the taxable year ended December 31, 2022. Accordingly, we are no longer required to make distributions to our stockholders, which in turn could have an adverse impact on our stock price.

**We may fail to realize the anticipated benefits of becoming a taxable C Corporation or those benefits may take longer to realize than expected.**

We believe that no longer qualifying for REIT status and becoming a taxable C Corporation **will, has,** among other things, **provide** **provided** us with greater flexibility to use our free cash flows as we **will are** no longer **be** required to operate under the REIT rules, including the requirement to distribute at least 90% of our taxable income to our stockholders. However, the amount of our free cash flows may not meet our expectations, which may reduce, or eliminate, the anticipated benefits of the transition from a REIT to a taxable C Corporation. For example, if our cash flows do not meet our expectations, we may be unable to reduce our net recourse debt and deleverage our debt as quickly as we desire. Moreover, there can be no assurance that the anticipated benefits of the transition from a REIT to a taxable C Corporation will offset its costs, which could be greater than we expect. Our failure to achieve the anticipated benefits of the transition from a REIT to a taxable C Corporation at all, or in a timely manner, or a failure of any benefits realized to offset its costs, could negatively affect our business, financial condition, results of operations or the market price of our common stock.

**Our ability to use capital loss and NOL carryforwards to reduce future tax payments may be limited.**

We have capital loss and NOL carryforwards that we may be able to use to reduce the income taxes that we owe following the termination of our REIT election beginning with our taxable year ended December 31, 2022. However, we must have taxable income or gains in future periods to benefit from these capital loss and NOL carryforwards, and there is a risk that we may not be profitable in future periods.

In addition, our ability to utilize capital loss and NOL carryforwards may be limited by various tax rules, including Sections 382 and 383 of the Code which generally apply if we undergo an "ownership change." Our use of capital losses or NOLs arising after the date of an ownership change generally would not be affected by the limitations under Sections 382 and 383 (unless there were another ownership change after those new losses arose). In general, an "ownership

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change" occurs if there is a greater than 50 percentage point change (by value) in a corporation's equity ownership by certain stockholders over a rolling three-year period. Similar provisions of state tax law may also apply to limit our use of existing state tax attributes such as NOLs. While we do not believe that we have experienced ownership changes in the past that would materially limit our ability to utilize our capital loss and NOL carryforwards, the rules under Sections 382 and 383 are complex and there is no assurance our view is correct or that an ownership change will not occur in the

future. Also, to the extent not prohibited by our Charter we may decide in the future that it is necessary or in our interest to take certain actions, including issuing additional shares of our stock, that could result in an ownership change. In the event that we experience one or more ownership changes in the future, our ability to use our pre-change capital loss and

NOL carryforwards and other tax attributes to offset our taxable income will be subject to limitations. As a result, we may be unable to use a material portion of the capital loss and NOL carryforwards and other tax attributes, which could adversely affect our future cash flows. In addition, we may be discouraged from issuing additional common stock to raise capital or to acquire businesses or assets because such issuance may result in an ownership change that would cause the limitations imposed by Section 382 and 383 to apply to our capital loss and NOL carryforwards.

**We may incur adverse tax consequences if we failed to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes for the period during which we elected to be taxed as a REIT.**

We elected to be taxed as a REIT under the U.S. federal income tax laws commencing with our taxable year ended December 31, 2017 and ending with our taxable year ended December 31, 2021. Our qualification as a REIT for such period depends on our having satisfied, and in some cases other REITs we have merged with having satisfied, certain gross asset, gross income, organizational, distribution, stockholder ownership and other requirements. If the IRS challenged our characterization, valuation, and treatment of investments (including our direct or indirect interests in subsidiary REITs, each of which must satisfy the same requirements for REIT qualification) for purposes of the REIT asset and income tests for any open tax year, and if such a challenge were sustained, we could fail to qualify as a REIT for such tax year, unless we could avail ourselves of relief provisions for the applicable tax period.

If we failed to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year for which our REIT election was effective, we would be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax on our taxable income for such year at the regular corporate rate, and dividends paid to our stockholders would not be deductible by us in computing our taxable income for such year. Additionally, if any subsidiary REIT in which we own an interest fails to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year for which its REIT election is or was effective, it (i) would be subject to regular U.S. federal corporate income tax and (ii) would cease to be a qualifying asset for the REIT asset tests, which could have an adverse effect on our REIT qualification for any open tax year in which our REIT election was effective. Any resulting corporate tax liability could be substantial and would reduce the amount of cash available for distribution to our stockholders, which in turn could have an adverse impact on the value of our class A common stock.

**We could be subject to increased taxes if the tax authorities in various international jurisdictions were to modify tax rules and regulations on which we have relied in structuring our international investments.**

We currently receive favorable tax treatment in various international jurisdictions through tax rules, regulations, tax authority rulings, and international tax treaties. Should changes occur to these rules, regulations, rulings or treaties, we may no longer receive such benefits, and consequently, the amount of taxes we pay with respect to our international investments may increase.

**There is a risk of changes in the tax law applicable to an investment in us.**

The IRS, the United States Treasury Department, and Congress frequently review U.S. federal income tax legislation, regulations, and other guidance. We cannot predict whether, when, or to what extent new U.S. federal tax laws, regulations, interpretations, or rulings will be adopted. Any legislative action may prospectively or retroactively modify our tax treatment and, therefore, may adversely affect our taxation or the taxation of our stockholders. We urge you to consult with your tax advisor with respect to the status of legislative, regulatory, or administrative developments and proposals and their potential effect on an investment in our stock.

**Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.**

None.

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**Item 1C. Cybersecurity.**

As an asset manager, our business is highly dependent on information technology networks and systems. In addition, we believe that our position as an investment manager in the digital infrastructure space makes the security of these systems even more important to our Company and various stakeholders. See "*Risk Factors—Risks Related to our Organizational Structure and Business Operations*". The occurrence of a cybersecurity incident or a failure to implement effective information and cybersecurity policies, procedures and capabilities has the potential to disrupt our operations, cause material harm to our financial condition, result in misappropriation of assets, compromise confidential information and/or damage our business relationships. Accordingly, we have invested significant time and resources into maintaining effective cybersecurity defenses and response plans. We have not experienced any material cybersecurity incidents to date.

*Cybersecurity Risk Management and Strategy*

DigitalBridge's risk management program is headed by its Chief Information Officer, the Vice President of Cybersecurity and the Company's Cybersecurity Architect. They possess a diverse portfolio of highly regarded cybersecurity certifications, including certifications with a focus on risk management, and they leverage their extensive cybersecurity experience to effectively manage risk. The Company's information technology ("IT") team is led by the Company's Chief Information Officer, and employs dedicated security staff who hold well-established cybersecurity certifications. The Company's IT team meets on a recurring basis, and at least quarterly, with the senior members of DigitalBridge Information Technology, Compliance, and Internal Audit departments to assess cybersecurity risks. Additionally, our employees and certain consultants are required to complete cybersecurity training on an annual basis to reinforce awareness of cybersecurity threats and risks to the organization.

In addition to internal resources, the Company engages third parties to help test and evaluate the effectiveness and resiliency of the Company's information technology environment, provide recommendations to strengthen the program, and update us on leading cybersecurity protections and practices. The Company also works with a global strategic risk advisory firm on risks related to DigitalBridge portfolio companies.

DigitalBridge assesses cybersecurity risk through a process based on the cybersecurity framework established by the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). Each year, the Company's IT team conducts a series of sessions to discuss and evaluate risk and ranks the potential severity and likelihood of each identified risk, as well as the current and planned controls to mitigate such risks informed by the NIST Risk Management Framework. Based on this analysis, a risk matrix is created, and project plans are developed to prioritize and allocate resources effectively, which are then discussed with key members of management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer, and are approved by the Company's Data Protection Team ("DPT"), which consists of the Company's Chief Information Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Compliance Officer, Head of Internal Audit and Chief Legal Officer.

Among the risks we assess is the risk of a cybersecurity incident at a third-party service provider. To evaluate and manage this risk, the DigitalBridge cybersecurity team conducts due diligence in connection with onboarding new vendors and performs annual due diligence with our key third-party vendors. Our due diligence process includes inquiries regarding risk management, human resources security, physical and environmental security, compliance, business continuity and contractual obligations. We also seek to collect cybersecurity audit reports and other supporting documentation for review. In addition, we have processes in place to evaluate the potential impact to our information technology networks and systems when we learn of a significant cybersecurity event, including contacting our key vendors to ask if they were impacted and if any Company data was compromised.

In addition to the foregoing, the Company's Internal Audit team assesses the design, effectiveness and tests cyber controls, and annually as part of its SOX testing, performs a review of cybersecurity audit reports for the in-scope application vendors.

#### Board Oversight

The Company's board of directors ("Board") is responsible for overseeing and monitoring our risk management processes, including as to cybersecurity-related risks. The Board is assisted in its oversight responsibilities by the standing Board committees, and the audit committee of the Board ("Audit Committee") is responsible for overseeing our cybersecurity risks. Our Chief Information Officer provides cybersecurity updates and reviews the Company's cybersecurity risks and protection measures with either the Audit Committee or the full Board on at least a semi-annual basis. Topics covered in such meetings have included (i) results of quarterly phishing simulation tests, (ii) results from cybersecurity audits and penetration testing, (iii) review and enhancements to policies (including the Incident Response and Business Continuity policies) and (iv) recent, high profile cybersecurity incidents. The Board and Audit Committee also engage in regular discussions regarding cybersecurity risk management with the Company's senior management and independent and internal auditors.

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#### Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan

The DPT plays a critical role in the Incident Response Plan ("IRP") adopted by the Company. The IRP sets forth the processes for containment, review, escalation, recovery from and remediation of any cybersecurity incidents identified by the Company. Under the IRP, any incident that is identified is promptly reviewed by the Incident Response Team ("IRT"), which is a committee of IT members, including the Company's Chief Information Officer. Any incident that the IRT determines may be material to the Company is then escalated to the DPT, which is responsible for overseeing the investigation of and response to such incidents, including ensuring that the Company's senior leadership and Audit Committee are informed and that any notification and regulatory filings are made in a timely manner.

#### Item 2. Properties.

Our corporate headquarters is located in Boca Raton, Florida, where we lease approximately 31,500 square feet of office space. We also lease office space for the remaining **eight** **ten** corporate locations in **five** **seven** countries across the U.S., Europe and Asia. We believe that our offices are suitable and adequate for conducting our business.

#### Investment Properties—Operating Segment

At December 31, 2022, the Company's investment properties in its Operating segment were composed of 13 hyperscale data centers in North America, and 71 colocation data centers across U.S. and Europe, providing a combined 373 megawatts of power capacity and 2.41 million rentable square feet, of which 79% of the total square footage is leased. **49** of the 84 data centers are leasehold properties.

The Company's portfolio included 315,000 square feet of pre-stabilized data centers (properties with more than 5% of rentable square feet currently under development or expected to be under development in the next 12 months).

Below is an overview of the Company's data center portfolio at December 31, 2022.

Location	Number of Properties			Maximum Critical IT		Power Capacity mW <sup>(3)</sup>	Annualized MRR <sup>(4)</sup> (\$ in millions)
	Owned	Leased	Total	Square Feet <sup>(1)</sup> ('000)	Leased % <sup>(2)</sup>		
Hyperscale Data Centers							
North America							
California	8	—	8	529	100 %	122	\$ 180
Washington	2	—	2	112	100 %	22	32
Canada	3	—	3	136	85 %	33	40
	13	—	13	777	97 %	177	252
Colocation Data Centers							
North America							
Arizona	—	3	3	8	43 %	1	2
California	1	5	6	94	75 %	14	37
Colorado	3	1	4	63	71 %	9	25
Florida	—	1	1	11	88 %	2	6
Georgia	2	—	2	124	54 %	15	15



Illinois	—	4	4	91	79 %	14	39
Indiana	—	2	2	54	90 %	6	21
Kansas	2	1	3	17	62 %	3	12
Maryland <sup>(5)</sup>	—	1	1	—	— %	—	13
Massachusetts	—	1	1	6	85 %	1	1
Minnesota	1	3	4	72	74 %	7	25
Nevada	—	1	1	30	67 %	2	18
New Jersey	—	2	2	40	58 %	5	10
New York	—	2	2	25	82 %	2	29
Ohio	—	1	1	5	56 %	—	4
Pennsylvania	1	2	3	74	89 %	7	17
Tennessee	—	1	1	6	95 %	—	2
Texas	6	7	13	538	65 %	52	151
Utah	5	1	6	183	81 %	35	58
Virginia	1	2	3	97	67 %	13	22
Washington	—	2	2	12	73 %	1	3
<b>Europe</b>							
France	—	5	5	54	77 %	2	11
United Kingdom	—	1	1	24	3 %	5	1
	22	49	71	1,628	70 %	196	522
	35	49	84	2,405	79 %	373	\$ 774

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents rentable square footage with available power capacity.

<sup>(2)</sup> Percentage of rentable square footage under lease contracts, including leases that have not commenced billing.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents power capacity that has been installed and available to support customer information technology load.

<sup>(4)</sup> Monthly recurring revenue ("MRR") is revenue from ongoing services that is generally fixed in price and contracted for longer than 30 days. Annualized MRR is calculated as MRR for the last month of the period multiplied by 12.

<sup>(5)</sup> Not a colocation site. Revenues earned through data center services.

The Company's data centers are leased to approximately 2,900 customers, with its largest customers in the information technology and communications sectors. The Company's top 10 customers based upon annualized MRR as of December 31, 2022 are summarized below.

Customer Industry	Number of Properties with	% of Total Portfolio Annualized
	Leased Space	MRR
1 Software & Services	13	19.2 %
2 Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	11	5.7 %
3 Telecommunication Services	20	5.5 %
4 Technology Hardware & Equipment	3	2.1 %
5 Capital Goods	1	1.7 %
6 Real Estate	6	1.7 %
7 Media & Entertainment	8	1.5 %
8 Technology Hardware & Equipment	3	1.4 %
9 Technology Hardware & Equipment	1	1.2 %
10 Technology Hardware & Equipment	1	1.0 %
		41.0 %

A listing of the Company's investment properties is also included in Schedule III. Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation in Item 15. "Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules" of this Annual Report.

### Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

The information set forth under "[Litigation](#)" in Note [19](#) [18](#) to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

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PART II—OTHER INFORMATION

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

Market Information

Our class A common stock is traded on the NYSE under the symbol "DBRG."

Our class B common stock is not publicly traded, and is described in Note 98 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report.

Holders of Common Equity

On February 21, 2023 February 20, 2024, there were 2,251 2,125 holders of our class A common stock and one holder of our class B common stock (which, in each case, does not reflect the beneficial ownership of shares held in nominee name).

Reverse Stock Split

In August 2022, the Company effectuated a one-for-four reverse stock split of its outstanding shares of class A and class B common stock. The number of authorized shares of common stock was not adjusted in connection with the reverse stock split, however, the Company intends to seek stockholder approval to make a proportional change to the number of authorized shares of class A and class B common stock at its next annual meeting of stockholders. Par value of common stock was proportionately increased from \$0.01 to \$0.04 per share. Throughout this Annual Report, common stock share and per share information, including OP units and stock award units, as well as the Company's senior note conversion or exchange ratio in common stock shares, have been revised for all periods presented to give effect to the reverse stock split.

Dividends

Holders of our common stock are entitled to receive distributions only if and when our board of directors authorizes and declares distributions. Our board of directors has not established any minimum distribution level. No distributions can be paid on our common stock unless we have paid all cumulative dividends on our outstanding preferred stock.

We reinstated quarterly common stock dividends in the third quarter of 2022, having previously suspended common stock dividends for the second quarter of 2020 through the second quarter of 2022. Common stock dividends were \$0.01 per share for each of the third and fourth quarters of 2022.

Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities; Use of Proceeds from Registered Securities

None.

Purchases of Equity Securities by Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

Pursuant to a None. The Company did not have an authorized stock repurchase program authorized by our board as of directors in July 2022, the Company may repurchase up to \$200 million of its outstanding shares of class A common stock and/or preferred stock through various methods, including open market repurchases, negotiated block transactions, accelerated share repurchases, open market solicitations and Rule 10b5-1 plans. The stock repurchase program expires on June 30, 2023 and may be extended, modified, or discontinued at any time.

The following table presents information related to purchases of the Company's class A common stock during the quarter ended December 31, 2022; December 31, 2023.

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Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Weighted Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program		Maximum Approximate Dollar Value that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program (\$ in thousands)	
			Program			
October 1 through October 31, 2022	3,250,450	\$ 12.71	3,250,450		\$	92,430
November 1 through November 30, 2022	—	—	—			92,430
December 1 through December 31, 2022	—	—	—			92,430
Total <sup>(1)</sup>	3,250,450	\$ 12.71	3,250,450		\$	92,430

<sup>(1)</sup> Represent stock purchases pursuant to the repurchase program described above.

Stock Performance Graph

The following graph compares the cumulative total return on our class A common stock with the cumulative total returns on the Standard & Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index ("S&P 500"), MSCI US REIT Index ("RMZ"), and Dow Jones U.S. Asset Managers Index ("DJUSAG") from December 31, 2017 December 31, 2018 to December 31,

2022 December 31, 2023. Beginning 2022, DJUSAG is selected as the most comparable industry index to replace RMZ. This change is consistent with DBRG's current core business of investment management and with DBRG no longer maintaining REIT status effective 2022.

The graph assumes an investment of \$100 in our common stock and each of the indices on December 31, 2017 December 31, 2018 and the reinvestment of all dividends. The cumulative total return on our class A common stock as presented is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

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## Item 6. [Reserved]

## Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes thereto, which are included in Item 15. "Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules" of this Annual Report.

### Significant Developments

The following summarizes significant developments that affected our business and results of operations in 2022 and 2023 through February 2023, the date of this filing.

#### Transition To Taxable C Corporation Financing

- We have discontinued actions necessary repaid \$200 million of 5.00% senior notes upon maturity in April 2023 using cash on hand, reducing our leverage and outstanding corporate debt to maintain qualification as a REIT for 2022, and will be taxed as a C-Corporation. Without the constraints \$378 million, with savings of maintaining REIT status, we have more flexibility to execute various strategic initiatives, including the redemption of Wafra, as discussed below. Incremental tax burden is not expected to be significant \$10 million in the near term given the availability of significant capital loss and NOL carryforwards and that our investment management business, prior to the transition, was already taxable under a TRS, annual financing costs.

#### Capitalization and Financing Investment Management

- Effective April 2022, the availability under our Series 2021-1 Secured Fund Fee Revenue Variable Funding Notes In 2023 and through February 19, 2024, we have raised approximately \$7.7 billion (\$6.9 billion in 2023) of capital, primarily \$3.2 billion (\$2.7 billion in 2023) for DigitalBridge Partners III, LP ("VFN" DBP III") was increased by \$100 million to \$300 million.
- We continue to reduce higher cost corporate indebtedness through (i) early exchange of an additional \$60 million of senior notes in March 2022 for shares of our class A common stock and cash, resulting in 74% of the original issuance exchanged to-date; and (ii) repurchase of \$52.6 million of preferred stock at a discount to par or a weighted average price of \$23.62 per share, generating future savings in interest and preferred dividends.
- \$55 million of class A common stock in aggregate was repurchased in September and October 2022 at a weighted average price of \$13.09 per share.
- A one-for-four reverse stock split of our common stock was effectuated in August 2022.
- We reinstated quarterly common stock dividends at \$0.01 per share beginning, the third quarter of 2022, series in our flagship value-add strategy, and syndications through various co-investment vehicles.

#### Digital Business

##### Investment Management segment

- In February 2023, we completed our previously announced acquisition of InfraBridge (formerly AMP Capital's global infrastructure equity business) for \$316 million (excluding net working capital) \$314 million cash consideration (net of cash assumed), subject to customary post-closing working capital adjustments, plus potential contingent payments based upon future fundraising for InfraBridge's third and fourth flagship funds under the Global Infrastructure Fund ("GIF") series. InfraBridge GIF series of funds. The acquisition comprises InfraBridge's investment management platform and fund sponsor investments, and retained performance fees. investments.

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The acquisition further scales our investment management business. InfraBridge's global infrastructure equity platform will be is a strategic fit alongside our value-add equity franchise, enhancing our capabilities in the mid-market segment. The acquisition added \$5.6 billion \$5.1 billion in fee earning equity under management ("FEEUM"), comprising primarily GIF II and GIF I investment funds, as well as co-investment vehicles, funds.

#### DataBank and is expected to be immediately accretive to our fee related earnings. Vantage SDC

- In 2022, we received our share Discontinuance of carried interest distributions of \$32.6 million (net of allocation to employees and to Wafra) in connection with the DataBank recapitalization and sales of investments by DBP I and DBP II.
- In May 2022, we redeemed Wafra's 31.5% interest in our investment management business and Wafra sold or gave up its carried interest entitlement from future (not existing) investment management products. Consideration for the redemption was valued at \$862 million at closing, consisting of: (i) net cash paid of \$388.5 million; (ii) issuance of 14.4 million shares of our class A common stock valued at \$349 million at closing; and (iii) contingent amount up to \$125 million based upon future capital raise thresholds.

payable to Wafra in March 2023 for portion earned in 2022 and March 2024 for any remaining portion earned in 2023, with up to 50% payable in common stock at our election. Based upon capital raised in 2022, \$90 million of the contingent amount is payable in March 2023.

Following the redemption, 100% of net cash flows from our fee business accrue to us, and we are entitled to 100% of carried interest net of management allocations from future investment products. The transaction is described further in Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report.

#### Operating segment

- On December 31, 2023, following the deconsolidation of both DataBank and Vantage SDC (as discussed in Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements), the Operating segment was discontinued and its activities thereof qualified as discontinued operations. The partial presentation of the operating results of DataBank and Vantage SDC as income (loss) from discontinued operations on the consolidated statement of operations, and on the consolidated balance sheets, as assets and liabilities of discontinued operations, was applied retrospectively to all periods presented.

The deconsolidation in 2023 deleveraged the Company's balance sheet by removing \$8.55 billion of assets, \$5.94 billion of liabilities and \$2.06 billion of noncontrolling interests in investment entities. Subsequent to deconsolidation, the Company's consolidated financial statements include only its equity investment in DataBank (9.5% at December 31, 2023) and its consolidated funds' investment in Vantage SDC (aggregated to 38.3% interest in Vantage SDC, of which the Company's share is 12.8% at December 31, 2023), carried at fair value, along with noncontrolling interests representing the limited partners of the consolidated funds, and changes in fair value of these investments. The Company's investments in DataBank and Vantage SDC are presented in Corporate and Other, consistent with the treatment and presentation of the Company's other consolidated funds and of its interest as general partner affiliate in other sponsored investment vehicles.

#### Recapitalization of DataBank

- In September 2023, the recapitalization of DataBank, which commenced in the second half of August 2022, was completed and resulted in the sale its deconsolidation. A total of a portion \$2.2 billion of DataBank's equity interest in DataBank was sold to new investors totaling \$2.0 billion. Our ownership interest in DataBank decreased from 20% as of December 2021 to 11.0% as of December 2022. Our share of proceeds from the sale totaled \$425 million including our share of carried interest, net of allocation to employees, investors. The recapitalization implies implied a pre-transaction net equity value of our ownership in DataBank of \$905 million, \$905 million, reflecting a 2.0x multiple of invested capital since our initial investment in DataBank in December 2019. The incremental third party capital raised through the recapitalization also translates translated into additional investment management fee income in our Investment Management segment, revenue.

As The Company received its share of net proceeds from the transaction involved sale totaling \$475 million (\$425 million in 2022 and \$49 million in 2023), including its share of carried interest, net of allocation to employees and former employees, totaling \$48 million (\$20 million in 2022 and \$28 million in 2023).

In connection with the deconsolidation, the Company realized a change \$3.7 million gain from the sale of its equity interest in ownership the final closing of the recapitalization in September 2023, and remeasured its remaining equity interest in DataBank at a consolidated subsidiary, it was accounted for as an equity transaction. The difference between the book fair value of our interest and our ownership based upon the current value of DataBank \$434 million which resulted in an increase to equity unrealized gain of \$230 million, \$275 million, presented within Corporate and Other.

#### Other

- DBP I and DBP II each had its first sale of Our investment in 2022 BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (NYSE: BRSP), which generated \$24 million of distributions to us (excluding carried interest described above). At December 31, 2022, we had investments of \$97 was our largest remaining non-digital investment, was fully disposed in March 2023 for approximately \$202 million in DBP I and \$102 million in DBP II as general partner and limited partner, net proceeds.
- In June 2022, we acquired the mobile telecommunications tower business ("TowerCo") A non-cash charge of Telenet Group Holding NV (Euronext Brussels: TNET, "Telenet") for €740 million or \$791 million (including transaction costs). The acquisition \$133 million in fair value write-down was funded through \$326 million of debt, \$278 million of equity recorded in March 2023 on an unsecured promissory note from the Company, and \$214 million 2022 sale of third party equity (at acquisition date exchange rate), including funding our Wellness Infrastructure business. This resulted from foreclosure of certain assets within the Wellness Infrastructure portfolio by its mezzanine lender.

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#### Fund Performance Metrics

Certain performance metrics for transaction costs, debt issuance costs and working capital. In December 2022, our interest key investment funds from inception through December 31, 2023 are presented in the temporarily warehoused TowerCo investment was transferred to our new sponsored fund table below. Excluded are funds with less than one year of performance history as of December 31, 2023, funds and TowerCo was deconsolidated. We received a return separately managed accounts in the liquid strategy, co-investment vehicles and separately capitalized portfolio companies. The historical performance of our capital plus a holding fee funds is not indicative of an aggregate \$282 million (at transfer date exchange rate).

#### Non-Digital Business

- We recorded an other-than-temporary impairment their future performance nor indicative of \$60 million on the performance of our other existing funds or of any of our future funds. An investment in BRSP DBRG is not an investment in 2022. Given the continuing market volatility, our anticipated hold period may not be sufficient to allow for a recovery of BRSP's stock price relative to the carrying value any of our investment in BRSP funds and these fund performance metrics are not indicative of the performance of DBRG.

#### Assets Under Management and Fee Earning Equity Under Management

Below is a summary of our AUM and FEEUM.

Type	Products	Description	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
<b>Assets under Management <sup>(1)</sup></b>			<b>\$ 51.3</b>	<b>\$ 43.6</b>
<b>Fee Earning Equity under Management <sup>(2)</sup></b>				
Institutional Funds	DBP infrastructure equity	Earns management fees and potential for carried interest or incentive fees	\$ 11.2	\$ 11.2
	Core Equity, DigitalBridge Credit and Liquid Strategies		2.0	0.8
Other Investment Vehicles	Digital co-invest vehicles	Earns management fees, business service fees from portfolio companies,	6.5	4.2
	Digital infrastructure held by portfolio companies	and potential for carried interest	2.5	2.1
			<b>\$ 22.2</b>	<b>\$ 18.3</b>

(\$ in millions)			Invested Capital	Available Capital	Investment Value			MOIC <sup>(7) (8)</sup>		IRR <sup>(8) (9)</sup>	
Fund <sup>(1)</sup>	Inception Date <sup>(2)</sup>	Total Commitments	<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(4)</sup>	Unrealized	Realized <sup>(5)</sup>	Total <sup>(6)</sup>	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
<b>Value-Add</b>											
DBP I	Mar-2018	\$4,059	\$4,668	\$228	\$6,126	\$1,140	\$7,266	1.6x	1.4x	16.8%	12.3%
DBP II	Nov-2020	8,286	7,544	974	8,505	686	9,191	1.2x	1.1x	12.1%	9.1%
<b>Core</b>											
SAF	Nov-2022	1,110	867	476	878	12	890	1.0x	1.0x	3.7%	0.7%
<b>InfraBridge</b>											
GIF I	Mar-2015	1,411	1,488	406	1,279	1,070	2,349	1.6x	1.4x	10.0%	7.4%
GIF II	Jan-2018	3,382	3,117	26	2,771	95	2,866	0.9x	0.8x	<0%	<0%
<b>Credit</b>											
Credit I	Dec-2022	697	368	426	324	77	401	1.1x	1.1x	16.8%	10.1%

(1) AUM is composed of (a) third party managed capital Performance metrics are presented in aggregate for which the Company main fund vehicle, its parallel vehicles and its affiliates provide alternative investment management services, including assets for which the Company may or may not charge management fees and/or performance allocations; and (b) assets invested using the Company's own balance sheet capital and managed on behalf of the Company's shareholders. Third party AUM is based upon the cost basis of managed investments as reported by each underlying vehicle as of the reporting date and may include uncalled capital commitments. Balance sheet AUM is based upon the undepreciated carrying value of the Company's balance sheet investments as of the reporting date. The Company's calculation of AUM may differ from other investment managers, and as a result, may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other investment managers, vehicles.

(2) FEEUM Inception date represents first close date of the fund, except for Credit I which is equity for the first capital call date. InfraBridge funds were acquired in Feb-2023.

(3) Invested capital represents the original cost and subsequent fundings to investments. Invested capital includes financing costs and investment related expenses which are capitalized. With respect to InfraBridge funds, such costs are expensed during the Company period and its affiliates provide excluded from their determination of invested capital.

(4) Available capital represents unfunded commitments, including recallable capital.

(5) Realized value represents proceeds from dispositions that have closed and all earnings from both realized and unrealized investments, including interest, dividend and ticking fees.

(6) Total value is the sum of unrealized fair value and realized value of investments.

(7) Total investment gross multiple of invested capital (MOIC) is calculated as total value of investments, that is realized proceeds and unrealized fair value, divided by invested capital, without giving effect to allocation of management services fee expense, other fund expenses and derive general partner carried interest (both distributed and unrealized).

Total investment net MOIC is calculated as total value of investments, that is realized proceeds and unrealized fair value, divided by invested capital, after giving effect to allocation of management fee expense, other fund expenses and general partner carried interest (both distributed and unrealized).

MOIC calculations exclude capital not subject to fees and/or incentives. FEEUM carried interest, including general partner and general partner affiliate capital. MOICs are calculated at the fund level and do not reflect MOICs at the individual investor level.

(8) Internal rate of return (IRR) calculations generally follow the mechanics set forth in the applicable fund limited partnership agreement (LPA).

Gross IRR represents annualized time-weighted return on invested capital based upon total value of investments, that is realized proceeds and unrealized fair value, without giving effect to allocation of management fee expense, other fund expenses and general partner carried interest (both distributed and unrealized). Gross IRR is calculated from the basis used date of investment fundings (inclusive of the effect of third-party credit financing) to derive the date of investment distributions. For unrealized investments, assumes a liquidating distribution equal to the investment fair value, net of third party credit financing. Gross IRR is calculated at the fund level and does not reflect gross IRR at the individual investor level due to timing of investor level inflows and outflows, among other factors.

Net IRR is gross IRR after giving effect to allocation of management fee expense, other fund expenses and general partner carried interest (both distributed and unrealized). Net IRR is calculated at the individual investor level based upon timing and amount of fee-paying third party investor level inflows and outflows, and excludes syndicated proceeds and capital not subject to fees and/or carried interest, including general partner and general partner affiliate capital.

(9) If an LPA provides that a fund investment that is later syndicated to one or more third-party investors shall be treated as if the syndicated portion of such investment never occurred, the Net IRR and MOICs set forth herein will typically reflect such treatment of the syndicated portion of such investment as this is more consistent with the calculation of the preferred return which determines our ability to earn carried interest. Our funds generally permit us to recycle certain capital distributed to limited partners during certain time periods. The inclusion of recycled capital generally causes invested and realized amounts to be higher and IRRs and MOICs to be lower than had recycled capital not been included. In addition, for funds that utilize third-party credit financing in advance of receiving capital contributions from investors, reported IRRs may be based upon invested equity, stockholders' equity, higher or fair value, pursuant to the terms of each underlying investment management agreement. The Company's calculation of FEEUM may differ from other investment managers, and as a result, may lower than if such financing had not be comparable to similar measures presented by other investment managers.

FEEUM increased by \$3.9 billion or 21% to \$22.2 billion at December 31, 2022, reflecting primarily capital raised in the recapitalization of DataBank and the closing of our new Core Equity fund, been utilized.

The acquisitionTable of InfraBridge's global infrastructure equity platform in February 2023 added \$5.6 billion of FEEUM. Contents

## Results of Operations

Refer to [Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations"](#) in our [2021 2022](#) Annual Report on Form 10-K, which is incorporated by reference herein, for comparative discussion of our consolidated results of operations for the prior year periods of [2021 2022](#) and [2020 2021](#).

The [Company's current business](#) Company determined that the following qualified as discontinued operations in 2023: its investment in BRSP prior to disposition in March 2023; and operations reflect the completion its interests in February 2022 of its transformation from a REIT and investment manager of a diversified real estate two consolidated digital infrastructure portfolio into an investment manager focused primarily on digital infrastructure. The disposition of its hotel portfolio (March 2021), Other Equity and Debt ("OED") investments and non-digital investment management ("Other IM") business (December 2021), and Wellness Infrastructure portfolio (February 2022) each represented a strategic shift companies, previously reported in the [Company's business that had](#) Company's former Operating segment, prior to a significant effect full deconsolidation and discontinuance of the Operating segment on December 31, 2023. For all prior periods presented: (i) on the [Company's operations and financial results](#), and accordingly, had met the criteria as discontinued operations. For all current and prior periods presented, the related assets and liabilities, to the extent they have not been disposed at the respective balance sheet dates, are presented as assets and liabilities held for disposition on the December 31, 2022 consolidated balance sheets, the equity method investment in BRSP (2022: \$218.0 million previously included in equity and debt investments) and the [related operating results](#) assets of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$8.1 billion have been reclassified to assets of discontinued operations, while the liabilities of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$5.3 billion have been reclassified to liabilities of discontinued operations; and (ii) on the 2022 and 2021 consolidated statements of operations, the loss from BRSP of \$37.3 million in 2022 and earnings of \$41.2 million in 2021, previously included in equity method earnings (losses), and the net loss of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$324.2 million and \$223.5 million, respectively, have been reclassified to income (loss) from discontinued operations. In 2023, the Company also determined that principal investment income from its equity interest as general partner and general partner affiliate in its sponsored investment vehicles, and its entitlement to carried interest allocation, represent a core component of returns in its investment management business. Accordingly, beginning in 2023, principal investment income and carried interest allocation are now presented as discontinued operations within total revenues on the consolidated statements of operations. operations, previously presented as equity method earnings (losses) and equity method earnings—carried interest, respectively, both of which are no longer applicable as separate financial statement line items following the changes discussed herein. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform to current presentation.

The discussion of our consolidated results of operations for the prior year periods of 2022 and 2021 in our 2022 Form 10-K should be read in conjunction with Item 15. "Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules" in this Annual Report, specifically the consolidated statement of operations, Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies—Discontinued Operations, Note 4 Investments and Note 18 Segment Reporting.

A comparative discussion of our consolidated results of operations for [2022 2023](#) and [2021 2022](#) is presented below.

The following table summarizes the results from continuing operations of our Investment Management segment and the remaining results denoted as "Corporate and Other" which reconciles to our consolidated results from continuing operations by reportable segment, operations.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	Change
<b>Continuing operations</b>			
<b>Total revenues</b>			
Investment Management	\$ 182,045	\$ 191,682	\$ (9,637)
Operating	884,874	763,199	121,675
Corporate and Other	77,653	10,918	66,735
	<u>\$ 1,144,572</u>	<u>\$ 965,799</u>	178,773
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations</b>			
Investment Management	\$ 186,084	\$ 90,915	\$ 95,169
Operating	(330,331)	(230,841)	(99,490)
Corporate and Other	(277,046)	(76,897)	(200,149)
	<u>\$ (421,293)</u>	<u>\$ (216,823)</u>	(204,470)
<b>Net income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>			
Investment Management	\$ 69,884	\$ 51,531	\$ 18,353
Operating	(53,178)	(36,664)	(16,514)
Corporate and Other	(228,410)	(87,506)	(140,904)
	<u>\$ (211,704)</u>	<u>\$ (72,639)</u>	(139,065)

Year Ended December 31,



(In thousands)	2023	2022	Change
<b>Total revenues</b>			
Investment Management segment	\$ 645,884	\$ 564,508	\$ 81,376
Corporate and Other	175,499	130,263	45,236
	<u>\$ 821,383</u>	<u>\$ 694,771</u>	126,612
<b>Income (Loss) from continuing operations</b>			
Investment Management segment	\$ 205,362	\$ 186,084	\$ 19,278
Corporate and Other	160,261	(245,897)	406,158
	<u>\$ 365,623</u>	<u>\$ (59,813)</u>	425,436
<b>Income (Loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>			
Investment Management segment	\$ 110,483	\$ 69,884	\$ 40,599
Corporate and Other	130,796	(152,454)	283,250
	<u>\$ 241,279</u>	<u>\$ (82,570)</u>	323,849

## Revenues

Total revenues increased 18.5% to \$1.1 billion \$126.6 million or 18%.

- Investment Management—Revenues were 5% lower \$81.4 million or 14% higher at \$182.0 million \$645.9 million, attributed to fee revenue and gross carried interest (before management allocation). 2021 had included incentive fees
- (a) Fee revenue contributed a \$91.1 million increase to \$267.2 million.

The increase in fee revenue is attributed to additional capital raised throughout 2022 and 2023 and InfraBridge funds acquired in February 2023.

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(b) This was partially offset by gross carried interest (before management allocation) which decreased \$15.3 million to \$363.1 million in 2023 from \$378.3 million in 2022 (of which distributions were \$28.4 million in 2023 and \$152.5 million in 2022).

The higher carried interest in 2022 was driven by distributions, which arose from the first liquidation of investment by DBP I and the DataBank recapitalization. Otherwise, unrealized carried interest was higher in 2023, attributed largely to DataBank, DBP II and co-investment vehicles, partially offset by DBP I.

- Corporate and Other—Revenues represent largely our share of earnings, primarily fair value changes, from our Liquid Strategies. Management fees increased marginally general partner affiliate investments, particularly from the DBP funds, and in 2023, InfraBridge funds and DataBank. 2022 with also included income from warehoused investments. Revenues were higher in 2023 due to fair value increases in fund investments, driven by DataBank in the effect fourth quarter of additional capital raises largely 2023, partially offset by the sale of warehoused investments to our sponsored funds and to a catch-up third party sponsored CLO in the second half of DBP II fees 2022.

## Income (Loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

Income from continuing operations attributable to DBRG was \$241.3 million in 2021 and one-time fee adjustments 2023, compared to a loss of \$82.6 million in 2022.

- Investment Management—In 2023, income from continuing operations attributable to DBRG increased \$40.6 million to \$110.5 million. The increase in 2023 was driven by higher net carried interest of \$30.5 million, representing the amount attributable to OP. 2023 net income was driven largely by unrealized carried interest from DataBank. In comparison, 2022 net income included higher unrealized carried interest from DBP I, which has a larger allocation to management, resulting in lower OP share.

Supplemental performance measures of the Investment Management segment are presented under "—Non-GAAP Measures."

- MeasuresOperating—Revenues were higher in 2022, resulting from data center acquisitions, additional lease-up of expanded capacity in Vantage SDC, and a one-time lease termination fee at Vantage SDC. "
- Corporate and Other—Higher revenues in 2022 reflect primarily lease income from the warehoused tower business acquired in June 2022, and interest income from credit investments originated in 2020 through early 2022. These warehoused investments were transferred to our new sponsored funds in the second half of 2022.

**Net income (loss) Income from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.** DBRG of \$130.8 million in 2023 reflected a \$278.7 million gain recognized in connection with the recapitalization and deconsolidation of DataBank in September 2023, of which \$3.7 million was realized and \$275 million unrealized (Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements). This was partially offset by a \$133 million write-down of an unsecured promissory note related to the sale of our Wellness Infrastructure business in February 2022 (Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements).

NetIn comparison, loss from continuing operations attributable to DBRG increased 191% to \$211.7 million, driven by a one-time non-cash loss in Corporate and Other.

- **Investment Management**—Net income attributable to DBRG increased 35.6% to \$69.9 million. Subsequent to the redemption of Wafra's 31.5% interest in Investment Management in May 2022, 100% of net income in Investment Management is attributed to DBRG. 2022 net income included our share of carried interest, net of allocation to employees, of \$63.7 million (of which \$32.6 million has been distributed to us). Tempering this effect is an increase in operating costs as we continue to ramp up resources and invest in our growing Investment Management segment.
- **Operating**—Our Operating segment generally records a net loss, taking into account the effects of real estate depreciation and intangible asset amortization. Our share of net loss reflects a 13% ownership in Vantage SDC and our interest in DataBank, which decreased from 20% as of December 2021 to 11% as of December 2022. Net loss was lower in 2021 due to a large deferred tax benefit from write-off of deferred tax liabilities at DataBank, resulting from DataBank's election of REIT status beginning with the 2021 taxable year.
- **Corporate and Other**—Net loss generally reflects corporate level costs that have not been allocated to our reportable segments, primarily interest expense on senior notes and compensation and administrative expenses. Also included are the effects of fair value changes on investments carried at fair value, including our share of earnings from our fund investments. The larger net loss \$152.5 million in 2022 was driven by included a \$133.2 \$133 million non-cash debt extinguishment loss recognized in connection with an early exchange of our 5.75% exchangeable notes in March 2022 (refer to Note 8 (Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 Statements)). The amounts quoted herein are prior to allocating approximately 7% of this Annual Report), net income (loss) to OP noncontrolling interest to arrive at amounts attributable to DBRG.

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A more detailed discussion of key components of revenue and income (loss) from continuing operations follows.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2022	2021	
<b>Revenues</b>			
Property operating income	\$ 927,506	\$ 762,750	\$ 164,756
Fee income	172,673	180,826	(8,153)
Interest income	30,107	8,791	21,316
Other income	14,286	13,432	854
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>1,144,572</b>	<b>965,799</b>	<b>178,773</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Property operating expense	389,445	316,178	73,267
Interest expense	198,498	186,949	11,549
Investment expense	33,887	28,257	5,630
Transaction-related costs	10,129	5,781	4,348
Depreciation and amortization	576,911	539,695	37,216
Compensation expense, including incentive fee and carried interest allocation	447,543	301,875	145,668
Administrative expenses	123,184	109,490	13,694
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>1,779,597</b>	<b>1,488,225</b>	<b>291,372</b>
<b>Other income (loss)</b>			
Other loss, net	(170,555)	(21,412)	(149,143)
Equity method earnings, including carried interest	397,754	226,477	171,277
<b>Loss before income taxes</b>	<b>(407,826)</b>	<b>(317,361)</b>	<b>(90,465)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(13,467)	100,538	(114,005)
<b>Loss from continuing operations</b>	<b>(421,293)</b>	<b>(216,823)</b>	<b>(204,470)</b>
Loss from discontinued operations	(148,704)	(600,088)	451,384
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>(569,997)</b>	<b>(816,911)</b>	<b>246,914</b>
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	(26,778)	34,677	(61,455)
Investment entities	(189,053)	(500,980)	311,927
Operating Company	(32,369)	(40,511)	8,142
<b>Net loss attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>(321,797)</b>	<b>(310,097)</b>	<b>(11,700)</b>
Preferred stock repurchases/redemptions	(1,098)	4,992	(6,090)
Preferred stock dividends	61,567	70,627	(9,060)
<b>Net loss attributable to common stockholders</b>	<b>\$ (382,266)</b>	<b>\$ (385,716)</b>	<b>3,450</b>

	Year Ended December 31,		
(In thousands)	2023	2022	Change
<b>Revenues</b>			
Fee revenue	\$ 264,117	\$ 172,673	\$ 91,444
Carried interest allocation	363,075	378,342	(15,267)
Principal investment income	145,448	56,731	88,717
Other income	48,743	87,025	(38,282)
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>821,383</b>	<b>694,771</b>	<b>126,612</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Interest expense	24,540	42,926	(18,386)
Investment-related expense	3,155	23,219	(20,064)
Transaction-related costs	10,823	10,129	694
Depreciation and amortization	36,651	44,271	(7,620)
Compensation expense—cash and equity-based	206,892	154,752	52,140
Compensation expense—incentive fee and carried interest allocation	186,030	202,286	(16,256)
Administrative expense	83,782	94,122	(10,340)
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>551,873</b>	<b>571,705</b>	<b>(19,832)</b>
Other gain (loss), net	96,119	(169,747)	265,866
<b>Income (Loss) before income taxes</b>	<b>365,629</b>	<b>(46,681)</b>	<b>412,310</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(6)	(13,132)	13,126
<b>Income (Loss) from continuing operations</b>	<b>365,623</b>	<b>(59,813)</b>	<b>425,436</b>
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations	(320,458)	(510,184)	189,726
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>45,165</b>	<b>(569,997)</b>	<b>615,162</b>
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	6,503	(26,778)	33,281
Investment entities	(155,756)	(189,053)	33,297
Operating Company	9,138	(32,369)	41,507
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>185,280</b>	<b>(321,797)</b>	<b>507,077</b>
Preferred stock repurchases	(927)	(1,098)	171
Preferred stock dividends	58,656	61,567	(2,911)
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders</b>	<b>\$ 127,551</b>	<b>\$ (382,266)</b>	<b>509,817</b>

### Property Operating Income and Expense

	Year Ended December 31,		
(In thousands)	2022	2021	Change
<u>Property operating income</u>			
<i>Operating segment</i>			
Lease income	\$ 806,965	\$ 701,706	\$ 105,259
Data center service revenue	77,561	61,044	16,517
	884,526	762,750	121,776
<i>Other</i>			
Lease income	42,980	—	42,980
	\$ 927,506	\$ 762,750	164,756
<u>Property operating expense</u>			
Operating segment	\$ 376,255	\$ 316,178	\$ 60,077
Other	13,190	—	13,190



(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2023	2022	
Carried interest allocation			
Distributed	\$ 28,403	\$ 152,450	\$ (124,047)
Unrealized	334,672	225,892	108,780
	<u>\$ 363,075</u>	<u>\$ 378,342</u>	<u>(15,267)</u>

Carried interest allocation represents gross carried interest from our general partner interests in sponsored investment vehicles prior to allocations to management and Wafra. Unrealized carried interest is subject to adjustments each period, including reversals, based upon the unfavorable cumulative performance of equity markets the underlying investments of these vehicles that are measured at fair value, until such time as the carried interest is distributed.

Distributed carried interest arose from the DataBank recapitalization in 2022, lower service fees from portfolio companies following the expiration of a service agreement September 2023 (\$27.9 million) and in the fourth quarter second half of 2021, 2022 (\$77.4 million), and a one-time advisory fee additionally, the liquidation of investments by DBP I and DBP II in 2021. Management fees increased \$1.3 million the second half of 2022 (\$75.1 million). Unrealized carried interest was higher in 2022. There were higher management fees in 2022 attributed to capital raised through the recapitalization of 2023, driven by our DataBank new investment, DBP II and co-investment vehicles, sub-advisory accounts and additional capital calls by directly managed portfolio companies. However, this was largely partially offset by a catch-up lower carried interest amount for DBP I.

### Principal Investment Income

Principal investment income represents the Company's proportionate share of net income (loss) from investments in its sponsored investment vehicles, which is predominantly unrealized gain (loss) from changes in fair value of underlying fund investments. Principal investment income increased \$88.7 million to \$145.4 million in 2023, driven by unrealized fair value increases related to investments in DataBank, DBP II fees funds and related co-investment vehicles. The increase in 2021 for the 2020 period and one-time fee adjustments 2023 was partially offset by distribution income in 2022 including for excess organizational costs of from DBP II which were credited to investors as a fee reduction.

### Interest Income

Interest income was \$21.3 million higher at \$30.1 million in 2022. The increase can be attributed to warehoused credit investments originated or acquired during 2022, paid-in-kind interest on an unsecured promissory note in connection with the sale of our Wellness Infrastructure business in February 2022, and interest earned on money market deposits, realized investments.

### Other Income

Other income increased \$0.9 million decreased \$38.3 million to \$14.3 million \$48.7 million in 2022. The increase was primarily due 2023.

2022 included (a) property operating income of \$43.0 million from a tower portfolio, acquired in June 2022 as a warehoused investment and transferred to dividend our core equity fund in December 2022; and (b) interest income from warehoused investments that were transferred to our equity credit fund during the second half of 2022, and amounts previously accrued on our Wellness Infrastructure promissory note that was written off in the first quarter of 2023 (totaling \$23.3 million in 2022). The decrease was partially offset by: (i) higher interest income from money market deposits and beginning in 2023, from our subordinated notes in a third party non-traded REIT and collateralized loan origination fees earned in connection with a loan syndication, partially offset by lower professional service fees incurred on behalf of and obligation (increase totaling \$15.2 million), (ii) incremental costs reimbursable by our managed investment vehicles, vehicles that are grossed up as other income and expense (increased \$5.9 million), and (iii) dividend income from our credit fund beginning the third quarter of 2022 (increased \$5.7 million).

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### Interest Expense

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2022	2021	
Investment Management segment	\$ 10,872	\$ 4,766	\$ 6,106
Operating segment	159,409	125,387	34,022
Other investment-level debt	11,734	660	11,074
Corporate-level debt	16,483	56,136	(39,653)
	<u>\$ 198,498</u>	<u>\$ 186,949</u>	<u>11,549</u>

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2023	2022	
Interest expense			
Corporate debt	\$ 23,606	\$ 32,472	\$ (8,866)
Non-recourse investment-level debt	934	10,454	(9,520)
	<u>\$ 24,540</u>	<u>\$ 42,926</u>	<u>(18,386)</u>

**Investment Management Segment**—This represents interest on the portion of our securitized financing facility allocated to the Investment Management segment. Interest expense for 2022 reflects a full year of expense compared to a partial year for 2021, as the securitization closed in July 2021, as well as additional expense from drawdowns on the

VFN during 2022.

**Operating Segment**—The increase of \$34.0 million is attributable to the following: (i) additional debt raised through securitization transactions by DataBank and Vantage SDC during 2021; (ii) new financing for DataBank's acquisition of four data centers in March 2022; (iii) our securitized financing facility beginning July 2021 which is partially allocated to the Operating segment; and (iv) higher variable interest rates.

At December 31, 2022, our data center portfolio was financed by an aggregate \$4.63 billion of outstanding debt principal (\$4.22 billion at December 31, 2021), primarily fixed rate securitized debt, bearing a combined weighted average interest rate of 3.71% per annum (2.88% per annum at December 31, 2021).

**Other Investment-level Debt**—This represents interest expense on: (i) debt partially funding the acquisition of tower assets in June 2022 prior to the transfer to our new sponsored fund in December 2022; (ii) our securitized financing facility beginning in July 2021 that is partially allocated to our DigitalBridge Credit and Liquid Strategies investments on the balance sheet; and (iii) credit facilities previously financing warehoused loans which were repaid following the transfer of loans to a third party sponsored collateralized loan obligation ("CLO") in the third quarter of 2022.

**Corporate-level Corporate Debt**—Interest expense decreased \$39.7 million in 2022. The decrease was \$8.9 million driven by higher interest expense in 2021 due to: (i) \$25.1 million of debt conversion expense in connection with an early exchange of \$161 million repayment of our 5.75% exchangeable 5.00% convertible notes into class A common stock in the fourth quarter; April 2023 (decreased \$7.7 million) and (ii) to a lesser extent, lower interest expense on our corporate credit facility that was terminated securitized debt with a lower outstanding balance on the VFN in July 2021. The 2023 (decreased \$0.6 million). Additionally, the early exchange of our 5.75% exchangeable notes in 2021 along with an additional \$60 million for common stock in March 2022 resulted contributed a \$0.6 million decrease in the extinguishment of higher cost corporate debt, which contributed to lower interest expense.

**Non-Recourse Investment-Level Debt**—Interest expense decreased \$9.5 million. 2022 included interest expense in 2022.

#### Investment Expense

Investment expense increased \$5.6 million to \$33.9 million in 2022. The increase is attributable largely to compensatory expense recognized on outstanding debt balance in connection with equity awards granted the financing of warehoused tower assets and credit investments (totaling \$9.5 million), all of which were repaid in the second half of 2022.

#### Investment-Related Expense

Investment-related expense decreased \$20.1 million to the management team \$3.2 million in 2023. 2022 included property operating expense of Vantage Data Centers Holdings, LLC ("Vantage") who performs the day-to-day operations \$13.2 million and third party professional service costs of Vantage SDC, higher management fees paid to Vantage \$2.6 million from a tower portfolio acquired in June 2022 as a result of the add-on acquisition warehoused investment and transferred to our core equity fund in October 2021, and professional service fees December 2022. Additionally, higher costs were incurred in the tower 2022 that are reimbursable by our managed investment in 2022. These increases were partially offset by lower costs in 2022 in connection with transition services for DataBank's acquisition of zColo, vehicles.

#### Transaction-Related Costs

Transaction-related costs increased by \$4.3 million to were \$10.8 million in 2023 and \$10.1 million in 2022, attributed to composed of costs incurred in the acquisition of InfraBridge partially offset by lower costs related to (\$8.9 million and \$7.3 million, respectively) and uncommmated investments, deal costs.

#### Depreciation and Amortization

Increase in depreciation Depreciation and amortization can be attributed to real estate and intangible expense decreased \$7.6 million in 2023. The decrease was driven by the sale of warehoused tower assets acquired through the Vantage SDC add-on acquisition in October 2021, DataBank's four new data centers in March 2022, and tower assets in June 2022. 2022 also included to our core equity fund in December 2022 (\$18.8 million) and accelerated amortization of lease intangibles on an investment management contract intangible in connection with an early lease termination in the Vantage SDC portfolio. 2022 Recapitalization (\$2.0 million). The increase decrease was partially offset by (i) accelerated amortization recognized in the first quarter of 2021 on a trade name intangible in anticipation of the Company's name change in June 2021; and (ii) a decrease in amortization expense on lease intangibles following the expiration of short term leases InfraBridge intangible assets acquired in our colocation data center business. February 2023 (\$15.2 million).

#### Compensation Expense

Year Ended December 31,				
Year Ended December 31,				
Year Ended December 31,				
Year Ended December 31,				
(In thousands)	(In thousands)	2022	2021	Change
(In thousands)				
(In thousands)		2023	2022	Change
Cash and equity-based compensation				
Cash compensation and benefits				



Cash compensation and benefits				
Cash compensation and benefits	Cash compensation and benefits	\$201,716	\$197,717	\$ 3,999
Equity-based compensation	Equity-based compensation	33,441	38,268	(4,827)
Incentive and carried interest compensation		202,286	65,890	136,396
		437,443	301,875	135,568
Equity-based compensation —Databank Recapitalization		10,100	—	10,100
	\$			
		\$447,543	\$301,875	145,668
Incentive and carried interest compensation allocation				
Incentive and carried interest compensation allocation				
Incentive and carried interest compensation allocation				

**Cash and equity-based compensation**—Compensation expense increased \$135.6 million, excluding accelerated \$52.1 million. The increase in cash compensation of \$27.8 million in 2023 is primarily attributed to InfraBridge (\$27.9 million in 2023, of which \$6.5 million represent deferred bonus amounts funded by the seller in the InfraBridge acquisition).

Equity-based compensation expense was \$24.3 million higher in 2023, driven by performance-based awards that met their target in 2023 (increased \$11.0 million in 2023) and generally higher equity awards resulting from granted, partially offset by full vesting in 2022 of equity awards in connection with sale of the DataBank recapitalization as discussed below. The increase is driven by Wellness Infrastructure business in February 2022 (decreased \$3.4 million in 2023).

**Incentive and carried interest compensation allocation**—2022 had included \$57.3 million of carried interest compensation expense that was fully recognized in connection with the first closing of the DataBank recapitalization. No further compensation expense was recognized in subsequent closings of the DataBank recapitalization. Excluding the expense associated with the recapitalization in 2022, representing a portion of realized incentive and carried interest compensation was \$41.0 million higher in 2023, largely driven by unrealized carried interest from our sponsored investment vehicles that are shared with certain employees. Unrealized carried interest and corresponding compensation amounts are subject to adjustments each period, including reversals, until such time they are realized, based upon the cumulative performance of the underlying investments of the respective vehicles that are carried at fair value.

Additionally, there was an increase in cash compensation in 2022, driven by (i) higher headcount supporting our growing investment management business and at DataBank following the expiration of a transitional services arrangement in connection with its zColo acquisition and expansion of its data center portfolio; and (ii) higher allocation of the contingent consideration received from Wafra as additional management compensation in 2022 (refer to Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report). These increases were partially offset by significant severance payments in 2021.

Equity-based compensation, however, decreased in 2022, attributed largely to stock award acceleration in 2021 and reversal of expense in 2022 related to dividend equivalent rights which are subject to fair value adjustments. DataBank.

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The DataBank recapitalization transaction in October 2022 triggered an accelerated vesting of certain profits interest units that had been issued by DataBank to its employees. As a result, \$10 million of additional equity based compensation was recorded for the Operating segment, of which \$7.8 million was attributable to noncontrolling interests in investment entities.

### Administrative Expenses

**Administrative** Total administrative expenses increased \$13.7 million to \$123.2 million in 2022. The increase is due to higher decreased \$10.3 million, driven by lower legal costs (decreased \$27.6 million), partially offset by increases in 2022, other administrative costs such as other third-party professional services and travel-related expenses (totaling \$11.5 million), some of which more than offset placement fees incurred in fundraising for DBP II in 2021. are reimbursable by our managed investment vehicles.

### Other Loss Gain (Loss), Net

Other 2023 recorded an other gain of \$96.1 million while there was an other loss increased by \$149.1 million from \$21.4 million in 2021 to \$170.6 million of \$169.7 million in 2022.

Both periods under comparison had the following significant items:

**Losses** • In September 2023, \$278.7 million gain recognized in connection with the deconsolidation of DataBank, of which \$3.7 million was realized and \$275.0 million unrealized (Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements);

- In March 2023, \$133 million fair value write-down on an unsecured promissory note from the 2022 were driven by: (i) sale of our Wellness Infrastructure business compared with a non-cash fair value write-down of \$28.7 million in 2022; and
- In March 2022, \$133 million debt extinguishment loss of \$133.2 million in connection with an early exchange of our 5.75% exchangeable notes (refer notes).

Excluding these significant one-off events, a net loss of \$47.8 million and \$8.7 million would have been recognized in 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The net loss in 2023 can be further attributed to Note 8a \$21.2 million loss due to an increase in the consolidated financial statements); (ii) liability fair value decrease of warrants issued to Wafra and \$34.7 million of write-downs in other equity investment fair values, partially offset by \$12.1 million net gain on marketable equity securities held by our consolidated liquid funds.

In comparison, the smaller net loss in 2022 resulted from a \$60.9 million net loss on marketable equity securities held by our consolidated liquid funds and a net loss of offsetting fair value changes on short positions; (iii) fair value decrease in credit \$7.6 million from our other equity investments, given the rising interest rate environment (prior to transfer of warehoused investments to a third party sponsored CLO and to our sponsored fund in August and December 2022); and (iv) decrease in the net asset value ("NAV") of our equity investment in a non-traded healthcare REIT. These losses were partially largely offset by a \$63.7 million gain due to recognize a decrease in the liability fair value of the warrants issued to Wafra from Wafra.

### Income Tax Benefit (Expense)

Income tax expense was not material in 2023 and \$13.1 million in 2022.

2023 reflects primarily the income tax effect of foreign subsidiaries, largely the InfraBridge investment management business in the United Kingdom. The Company has otherwise established a full valuation allowance on the deferred tax assets of its initial measurement taxable U.S. entities, resulting in May 2022 (refer to Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements); no net U.S. income tax effect for these entities in 2023.

In the 2021, the losses were driven by a write-off of an equity investment that was determined to be unrecoverable and an increase in value of the settlement liability with Blackwells Capital, LLC ("Blackwells") prior to its settlement in June 2021 (refer to Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report). These losses were partially offset by fair value increases on marketable equity securities.

### Equity Method Earnings

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	Change
Investment Management	\$ 382,463	\$ 101,811	\$ 280,652
Other	15,291	124,666	(109,375)
	<u>\$ 397,754</u>	<u>\$ 226,477</u>	<u>171,277</u>

**Investment Management**—These amounts represent predominantly gross carried interest from our general partner interests in sponsored investment vehicles prior to allocations to management. 2022 included \$152.5 million of gross carried interest distributed in connection with the recapitalization of DataBank and sales of investments by DBP I and DBP II. There was also higher unrealized gross carried interest recognized for DBP I and DBP II in 2022. Our share of net carried interest after management allocations was \$63.7 million (of which \$32.6 million has been distributed to us) in 2022 and \$20.3 million unrealized in 2021.

Unrealized carried interest is subject to adjustments each period, including reversals, based upon the cumulative performance of the underlying investments of these vehicles that are measured at fair value, until such time as the carried interest is realized. In the interim period, carried interest may be reversed as a function of continuing accrual of preferred returns over time while fair value of underlying investments remain largely consistent.

**Other**—The equity method gain Income tax expense in 2022 can be attributed to our share of net income from BRSP and earnings from our investment in DBP I and DBP II, representing distributions from realized investments and unrealized fair value increases on the investments of these funds. These gains were largely offset by \$60.4 million of impairment charge recorded in the third and fourth quarter of 2022 on our equity investment in BRSP.

The equity method gain in 2021 was driven by:

- \$44.3 million gain from our equity investment in a healthcare real estate investor/manager following an acquisition of the investee in conjunction with a merger of the investee's co-sponsored non-traded REITs. In connection with this transaction, we received distributions of \$7.8 million cash and units in the operating company of the newly combined non-traded healthcare REIT, valued at its net asset value.
- our share of earnings from our investment in DBP I and DBP II, driven by unrealized fair value changes on their underlying investments.

- fair value increases on an equity method investment that had been accounted for under the fair value option. Beginning May 2021, the equity investment is accounted for as a marketable equity security following a merger of the investee into a special purpose acquisition company.
- our share of net income from BRSP and gain from partial sale of our BRSP shares.

### Income Tax Benefit (Expense)

There was an income tax expense of \$13.5 million in 2022 and an income tax benefit of \$100.5 million in 2021.

Income tax expense in 2022 reflects primarily the establishment of a valuation allowance against the Company's deferred tax asset balance. With respect to balance, which offsets the deferred tax benefit from deferred tax assets recognized during the year, as these were largely associated with full valuation allowance, there was no resulting net effect to the income tax provision in 2022. Realizability

[Table of deferred tax assets is discussed further in Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements, included in Item 15 of this Annual Report, Contents](#)

The deferred tax benefit in 2021 was driven primarily by a write-off of significant deferred tax liabilities at DataBank, attributed to DataBank's election of REIT status beginning with the 2021 taxable year, and also NOL generated by the Company's previously designated TRS.

#### **Loss Income (Loss) from Discontinued Operations**

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2022	2021	
<b>Revenues</b>			
Revenues	\$ 90,412	\$ 843,659	\$ (753,247)
Expenses	(248,184)	(1,282,168)	1,033,984
Other gain (loss)	6,320	(111,679)	117,999
Income tax benefit (expense)	2,748	(49,900)	52,648
<b>Loss from discontinued operations</b>	<b>(148,704)</b>	<b>(600,088)</b>	<b>451,384</b>
Loss from discontinued operations attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Investment entities	(29,145)	(337,685)	308,540
Operating Company	(9,466)	(24,945)	15,479
<b>Loss from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (110,093)</b>	<b>\$ (237,458)</b>	<b>127,365</b>

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2023	2022	
Property operating income	\$ 774,226	\$ 953,727	\$ (179,501)
Other income	8,895	21,559	(12,664)
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>783,121</b>	<b>975,286</b>	<b>(192,165)</b>
Property operating expense	329,762	412,924	(83,162)
Interest expense	174,722	268,519	(93,797)
Depreciation and amortization	448,900	534,979	(86,079)
Compensation and other expenses	136,097	203,669	(67,572)
Impairment loss	—	35,985	(35,985)
Equity method earnings (losses)	(15,188)	(45,489)	30,301
Other gain (loss), net	2,671	13,682	(11,011)
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes</b>	<b>(318,877)</b>	<b>(512,597)</b>	<b>193,720</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(1,581)	2,413	(3,994)
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations</b>	<b>(320,458)</b>	<b>(510,184)</b>	<b>\$ 189,726</b>
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Investment entities	(260,120)	(302,072)	41,952
Operating Company	(4,339)	(15,893)	11,554
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (55,999)</b>	<b>\$ (192,219)</b>	<b>136,220</b>

Discontinued operations represent primarily the operations of the following businesses: (1) Operating segment prior to deconsolidation in 2023 (Note 9) and Wellness Infrastructure prior to its disposition in February 2022; (2) opportunistic investments 2022.

The Operating segment and Wellness Infrastructure business generally record a net loss, taking into account the effects of real estate depreciation and related intangible asset amortization. Within the Operating segment, there was a full year of operations for DataBank and Vantage SDC in our OED portfolio and credit investment management business 2022 while 2023 included only 8.5 months of operations for DataBank prior to its deconsolidation.

Loss from discontinued operations in Other IM 2023 also included \$9.7 million impairment of BRSP shares prior to disposition of our equity interest and deconsolidation in December 2021; and (3) the Company's hotel business prior to its disposition in March 2021, 2023, as well as unrealized losses on various remaining investments and legal costs associated with the remaining hotel portfolio that was in receivership sold by the lender in September 2021, discontinued businesses and investments.

The net In 2022, loss in 2022 is from discontinued operations can also be attributed to the disposition of NRF Holdco, LLC ("NRF Holdco") in February 2022, specifically, a \$92.1 million write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs on the Wellness Infrastructure debt assumed by the buyer and \$35 million impairment loss based upon final carrying value of the Wellness Infrastructure net assets upon disposition, and a write-down in value as well as \$60.4 million of an equity investment upon impairment on BRSP shares, partially offset by our share of BRSP earnings prior to disposition of \$23.0 million.

## Operating Metrics

### Assets Under Management and Fee Earning Equity Under Management

We present below our AUM and FEEUM, which are key operating metrics in the alternative investment management industry. Our calculation of AUM and FEEUM may differ from other investment managers, and as a result, may not be directly comparable to similar measures presented by other investment managers.

#### Assets Under Management

AUM represents the total capital for which we provide investment management services. AUM is generally composed of (a) third party capital managed by the Company and its remaining assets.

The net loss affiliates, including capital that is not yet fee earning, or not subject to fees and/or carried interest; and (b) assets invested using the Company's own balance sheet capital and managed on behalf of the Company's stockholders (composed of the Company's fund investments as GP affiliate, warehoused investments, and as of December 31, 2023, the Company's interest in 2021 was driven by significant impairment expense and decreases portfolio companies previously in asset fair values the Operating segment). Third party AUM is based upon the selling price of our Wellness Infrastructure and OED portfolios. Impairment of our investment assets in 2021 were largely offset by various gains recognized during the period, including a gain on extinguishment of debt on our hotel portfolio that was sold in September 2021.

A detailed income statement on discontinued operations is included in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Preferred Stock Repurchases/Redemptions

In the third quarter of 2022, net loss attributable to common stockholders was reduced by \$1.1 million, reflecting the discount on the repurchases of preferred stock.

In connection with the redemption of Series G in August 2021 and Series H in November 2021, net loss attributable to common stockholders was increased by \$5.0 million, representing the excess invested capital as of the \$25.00 per share redemption price over reporting date, including capital funded through third party financing, and committed capital for funds in their commitment stage. Balance sheet AUM is based upon the carrying value of the preferred stock Company's balance sheet investments as of the reporting date (at December 31, 2022 prior to deconsolidation, on an undepreciated basis as it relates to the Company's interest in portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Operating segment).

#### Fee Earning Equity Under Management

FEEUM represents the total capital managed by the Company and its affiliates which was net earns management fees and/or incentive fees or carried interest. FEEUM is generally based upon committed capital, invested capital, NAV or GAV, pursuant to the terms of issuance cost, each underlying investment management agreement.

Presented below are total AUM and FEEUM by product:

(In billions)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
<b>Assets Under Management</b>	<b>\$ 80.1</b>	<b>\$ 52.8</b>
<b>Fee Earning Equity Under Management</b>		
DBP infrastructure equity	\$ 13.0	\$ 11.2
InfraBridge Global Infrastructure	5.1	—
Core Equity, Credit and Liquid Strategies	2.8	2.0
Co-invest vehicles	9.5	6.5
Separately capitalized portfolio companies	2.4	2.5
	<b>\$ 32.8</b>	<b>\$ 22.2</b>

The following table summarizes changes in FEEUM:

(In billions)	Year Ended December 31, 2023
<b>Fee Earning Equity Under Management</b>	
Balance at January 1	\$ 22.2
Inflows <sup>(1)</sup>	12.7
Outflows <sup>(2)</sup>	(2.3)
Market activity and other <sup>(3)</sup>	0.2
Balance at December 31	<b>\$ 32.8</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Inflows include closing on new capital raised where fees are earned on committed capital, deployment of capital where fees are earned on invested capital, new subscriptions where fees are based on NAV, other changes in invested capital such as the effect of recapitalization and syndication, and FEEUM from acquired investment vehicles (\$5.1 billion from InfraBridge in 2023).

<sup>(2)</sup> Outflows include redemptions and withdrawals in Liquid Strategies, realizations where fees are based on invested capital, other changes in invested capital such as the effect of recapitalization and syndication, change in fee basis from committed to invested capital and expiration of fee paying capital.

<sup>(3)</sup> Market activity and other include changes in investment value based on NAV or GAV, and the effect of foreign exchange rates.

FEEUM increased by \$10.6 billion or 48% to \$32.8 billion at December 31, 2023, driven by the addition of \$5.1 billion of InfraBridge FEEUM, and new capital raised, primarily DBP III of \$2.7 billion and various co-investment vehicles.

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**Non-GAAP Supplemental Financial Measures**

Following our decision not We report the following non-GAAP financial measures attributable to maintain qualification as a REIT for 2022, we no longer present Funds From Operations, a supplemental non-GAAP measure commonly used by equity REITs.

Resulting from the significant growth in our investment management business, effective the second quarter of 2022, we report Operating Company; Distributable Earnings ("DE") and Adjusted Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization ("Adjusted EBITDA") on a Company-wide basis, and specific to our Investment Management segment, Fee Related Earnings ("FRE") and FRE before the effects of new investment strategies, as represented by Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA. DE and FRE are the most common metrics utilized in the investment management sector.

We believe these non-GAAP financial measures attributable to supplement and enhance the Operating Company, which more closely align the key performance metrics overall understanding of our core business underlying financial performance and trends, and facilitate comparison among current, past and future periods and to the alternative investment management industry.

other companies in similar lines of business. We use these non-GAAP financial measures in evaluating the Company's ongoing business performance and in making operating decisions. For the same reasons, we believe these non-GAAP measures are useful to the Company's investors and analysts.

As we evaluate profitability based upon continuing operations, these non-GAAP measures exclude results from discontinued operations. On December 31, 2023, the Operating segment was discontinued following full deconsolidation of the portfolio companies in the Operating segment, at which time, the activities thereof qualified as discontinued operations. Accordingly, the Company-wide measures of DE and Adjusted EBITDA exclude the Operating segment for both 2023 and the comparative period of 2022.

These non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered alternatives as a supplement to and not an alternative or in lieu of GAAP net income or loss (loss) as indicators measures of operating performance, or to cash flows from operating activities as measures of liquidity, nor as indicators of the availability of funds for our cash needs, including funds available to make distributions, liquidity. Our calculation of these non-GAAP measures may differ from methodologies utilized by other companies for similarly titled performance measures and, as a result, may not be directly fully comparable to those calculated by other companies in similar lines of business, our peers.

Results of our non-GAAP measures attributable to the Operating Company were as follows:

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
Attributable to Operating Company:		
Distributable Earnings	\$ 48,622	\$ (14,000)
Adjusted EBITDA	103,560	53,596
Investment Management FRE	137,915	83,474

**Distributable Earnings.** DE increased approximately \$63 million to \$48.6 million in 2023, which reflects the growth in our investment management business as noted in "—Investment Management FRE" below. 2022 was also burdened with a higher income tax expense that had included a full valuation allowance established against our U.S. deferred tax assets.

**Adjusted EBITDA.** Adjusted EBITDA was approximately \$50 million higher at \$103.6 million in 2023, largely consistent with DE. Adjusted EBITDA is derived as DE adjusted to generally exclude the effects of our capital structure and leverage. Refer to the reconciliation from DE to Adjusted EBITDA below.

**Investment Management FRE.** IM FRE increased \$54 million or 65% to \$137.9 million in 2023, resulting from continued growth in our investment management business as FEEUM grew \$10.6 billion, reflecting primarily fee revenue from new capital raised for DBP III and various co-investment vehicles, and FRE contributed from the acquisition of InfraBridge in February 2023. Additionally, our share of 2022 IM FRE was net of \$12.3 million attributed to Wafra, whose interest in the IM business was redeemed in May 2022.

	Year Ended December 31, 2022	
Attributable to Operating Company:		
Distributable Earnings	\$	37,060
Adjusted EBITDA		108,278
Investment Management FRE		83,474

**Distributable Earnings**

**Distributable Earnings** DE generally represents the net realized earnings of the Company and is an indicative measure used by the Company to assess ongoing operating performance and in making decisions related to distributions and reinvestments. Accordingly, we believe DE provides investors and analysts transparency into the measure of performance used by the Company in its decision making.

DE reflects the ongoing operating performance of the Company's core business by generally excluding non-cash expenses, income (loss) items that are unrealized and items that may not be indicative of core operating results. This allows the Company, and its investors and analysts to assess its operating results on a more comparable basis period-over-period.

DE is calculated as an after-tax measure that differs from GAAP net income or loss (loss) from continuing operations as a result of the following adjustments including adjustment for our share of similar items recognized by our equity method investments; to net income (loss): transaction-related costs; restructuring charges; other gain (loss);

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unrealized principal investment income (loss); non-cash depreciation and amortization expense, non-cash impairment charges (primarily severance and retention costs) (if any); realized and unrealized gains and losses, except realized gains and losses related to digital assets, including fund investments, in Corporate and Other; depreciation, amortization and impairment charges; debt prepayment penalties and amortization of deferred financing costs, debt premiums and debt discounts; our share of unrealized carried interest allocation, net of associated compensation expense; non-cash equity-based compensation expense; equity method earnings, except fund investments, costs; preferred stock redemption gain (loss); and straight-line adjustment to reflect only cash dividends declared by BRSP; effect of straight-line lease income and expense; impairment expense.

Transaction-related costs are incurred in connection with acquisitions and include costs of equity investments directly attributable unconsummated transactions, while restructuring charges are related primarily to decrease severance and retention costs. These costs, along with other gain (loss) amounts, are excluded from DE as they are related to discrete items, are not considered part of our ongoing operating cost structure, and are not reflective of our core operating performance.

Other items excluded from DE are generally non-cash in value nature, including income (loss) items that are unrealized, or otherwise do not represent current or future cash obligations such as amortization of depreciable real estate held by deferred financing costs and straight-line lease adjustment. These items are excluded from DE as they do not contribute to the investee; non-revenue enhancing capital expenditures necessary measurement of DE as a net realized earnings measure that is used in decision making related to maintain operating real estate; distributions and reinvestments.

Income taxes applied in the determination of DE generally represents GAAP income tax effect on certain of the foregoing adjustments. Income taxes included in DE reflect related to continued operations, and includes the benefit of deductions available to the Company on certain expense items excluded from DE (for example, equity-based compensation). As the income tax benefit arising from certain expenses that are these excluded from the calculation of DE, such as equity-based compensation, as these deductions expense items do decrease affect actual income tax paid or payable by the Company in any one period. period, the Company believes their inclusion in DE is appropriate to more accurately reflect amounts available for distribution.

The items we have excluded from DE are generally consistent with the exclusions made by our peers, which we believe allows for better comparability to the DE presented by our peers.

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is a supplemental measure derived from DE and generally presents the Company's core operating performance on a pre-tax basis, based upon recurring revenues and independent of our capital structure and leverage.

We believe Adjusted EBITDA is useful to investors as an indicative measure of the Company's profitability that DE is a meaningful supplemental measure as it reflects the ongoing operating performance of our core business by generally excluding items that are non-core in nature, recurring and sustainable and allows for better comparability of operating results period-over-period and to other companies in similar lines of business.

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA represents DE adjusted to exclude: interest expense as included in DE, income tax expense or benefit as included in DE, preferred stock dividends, equity method earnings as included in DE, placement fee expense, our share of realized carried interest and incentive fees net of associated compensation expense, certain investment costs for capital raising that are not reimbursable by our sponsored funds, and capital expenditures as deducted in DE.

We believe that Adjusted EBITDA is a meaningful supplemental measure of performance because it presents the Company's operating performance relative to its peers independent of its capital structure leverage and non-cash items, which allows for better comparability against entities with different capital structures and income tax rates. leverage. However, because Adjusted EBITDA is calculated before without the effects of certain recurring cash charges, including interest expense, preferred stock dividends, and income taxes, and does not deduct capital expenditures or other recurring cash requirements, its usefulness as a performance measure may be limited.

Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as DE adjusted to generally exclude the following items attributable to the Operating Company that are included in DE: interest expense as included in DE and income tax benefit (expense) as included in DE consistent with an EBITDA measure, preferred stock dividends, placement fee expense, and our share of incentive fees and distributed carried interest net of associated compensation expense.

Items excluded from Adjusted EBITDA include preferred stock dividends as Adjusted EBITDA removes the effects to earnings associated with the Company's capital structure, and placement fees as they are inconsistent in amount and frequency depending upon timing of fundraising for our funds. Additionally, Adjusted EBITDA excludes incentive fees and distributed carried interest net of associated compensation expense to be consistent with the FRE measure for our Investment Management segment, as discussed further below.

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Distributable Earnings and Adjusted EBITDA reconciliationReconciliation

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	\$ 127,551	\$ (382,266)
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests in Operating Company	9,138	(32,369)
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>136,689</b>	<b>(414,635)</b>
Transaction-related and restructuring charges	45,860	64,334
Other (gain) loss, net	(89,700)	161,981



Unrealized principal investment income	(145,448)	(42,531)
Unrealized carried interest allocation, net of associated expense allocation	(150,998)	(120,423)
Equity-based compensation cost	55,596	32,581
Depreciation and amortization expense	36,651	44,271
Straight-line adjustment to lease (income) and expense, net	(1,008)	(14,025)
Amortization of deferred financing costs, debt premiums and discounts	2,784	4,537
Preferred stock redemption (gain) loss	(927)	—
Income tax effect on certain of the foregoing adjustments	—	(328)
Adjustments attributable to noncontrolling interests in investment entities <sup>(1)</sup>	(169,559)	(248,033)
DE of discontinued operations <sup>(2)</sup>	328,682	518,271
<b>Distributable Earnings, after tax—attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>48,622</b>	<b>(14,000)</b>
<i>Adjustments attributable to Operating Company:</i>		
Interest expense included in DE	21,328	35,619
Income tax (benefit) expense included in DE	6	13,180
Preferred stock dividends	58,656	61,566
Principal investment income included in DE	(277)	(11,221)
Placement fees	3,698	—
Distributed incentive fee and carried interest, net of associated expense allocation	(27,893)	(31,463)
IM segment other income and investment-related expense, net, included in DE	(580)	(316)
<b>Adjusted EBITDA—attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>\$ 103,560</b>	<b>\$ 53,596</b>

<i>(In thousands)</i>	<b>Year Ended December 31, 2022</b>
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$ (382,266)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests in Operating Company	(32,369)
<b>Net loss attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>(414,635)</b>
Transaction-related and restructuring charges	100,989
Other (gains) losses, net (excluding realized gains or losses related to digital assets and fund investments in Corporate and Other)	178,769
Unrealized carried interest, net of associated compensation expense	(117,466)
Equity-based compensation expense	54,232
Depreciation and amortization	589,582
Straight-line rent (revenue) and expense, net	(21,462)
Amortization of acquired above- and below-market lease values, net	(78)
Impairment loss	35,985
Non-revenue enhancing capital expenditures	(40,515)
Debt prepayment penalties and amortization of deferred financing costs, debt premiums and debt discounts	114,902
Adjustment to equity method earnings, excluding fund investments, to reflect BRSP cash dividend declared	574
Income tax effect on certain of the foregoing adjustments	(534)
Adjustments attributable to noncontrolling interests in investment entities <sup>(1)</sup>	(430,061)
DE of discontinued operations	(13,222)
<b>Distributable Earnings, after tax—attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>37,060</b>
<i>Adjustments attributable to Operating Company:</i>	
Interest expense included in DE	57,525
Income tax expense included in DE	13,266
Preferred stock dividends	61,567
Equity method earnings included in DE	(38,800)
Realized carried interest, net of associated compensation expense	(31,463)
Non-revenue enhancing capital expenditures deducted from DE	8,892
Non pro-rata allocation of income (loss) to noncontrolling interests	231
<b>Adjusted EBITDA—attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>\$ 108,278</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Noncontrolling interests' share of adjustments pertain largely to depreciation and amortization and discontinued operations, other gain (loss) of consolidated funds, unrealized carried interest net allocation and unrealized principal investment income.

Equity method earnings (loss) from BRSP and the operating results of associated compensation expense, the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Operating segment, which qualified as discontinued operations in March 2023 and December 2023, respectively, are included in DE of discontinued operations for all periods presented.

#### Investment Management FRE and Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA

Investment Management FRE is calculated presented as recurring fee income and other income inclusive of cost reimbursements Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA, further adjusted to exclude FRE associated with administrative expenses, and net of compensation expense (excluding equity-based compensation, carried interest and incentive compensation) and administrative expense (excluding placement fees and straight-line rent expense). new investment strategies, as discussed below.

Investment Management FRE is used to assess the extent to which direct base compensation and core operating expenses are covered by recurring fee revenues in the a stabilized investment management business. We believe that Investment Management FRE is a useful supplemental performance measure because it may provide additional insight into the profitability of the overall investment management business.

Investment Management FRE is measured as recurring fee revenue that is not subject to future realization events and other income (inclusive of cost reimbursements associated with administrative expenses), net of the following: compensation expense (excluding non-cash equity-based compensation, and incentive and carried interest compensation expense), administrative expense (excluding placement fee expense and straight-line adjustment to lease expense) and FRE associated with new investment strategies.

In reconciling Investment Management FRE to GAAP net income (loss), adjustments are made to first arrive at Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA, for which generally excludes the following: our share of incentive fees and carried interest net of associated compensation expense; unrealized principal investment income (loss); other gain (loss); transaction-related and restructuring charges; non-cash equity-based compensation costs; straight-line adjustment to lease expense; placement fee expense; investment expense; and in line with an EBITDA measure, non-cash depreciation and amortization expense, interest expense, and income tax benefit (expense).

Consistent with an FRE measure, Investment Management segment, adjusted Adjusted EBITDA excludes incentive fees and carried interest net of associated compensation expense, as these are not recurring fee revenue and are subject to reflect variability given that they are performance-based and/or dependent upon future realization events.

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In calculating Investment Management FRE which reflects the Company's Investment Management segment as a stabilized business, by excluding Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA is further adjusted to exclude Start-Up FRE. Start-Up FRE is FRE associated with new investment strategies that have 1) not yet held a first close raising FEEUM; or 2) not yet achieved break-even Adjusted EBITDA only for investment products that may be terminated solely at the Company's discretion, collectively referred to as "Start-up FRE." discretion. The Company evaluates new investment strategies on a regular basis and excludes Start-Up Start- Up FRE from Investment Management FRE until such time as a new strategy is determined to form part of the Company's core investment management business.

We believe that Investment Management FRE reconciliation and Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA are useful measures to investors as they reflect the Company's profitability based upon recurring fee streams that are not subject to future realization events, and without the effects of income taxes, leverage, non-cash expenses, income (loss) items that are unrealized and other items that may not be indicative of core operating results. This allows for better comparability of the profitability of the Company's investment management business on a recurring and sustainable basis.

(In thousands) **Investment Management FRE Reconciliation**

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
<b>Net income (loss)—Investment Management</b>	<b>\$ 205,362</b>	<b>\$ 186,084</b>
Interest expense, net of interest income	8,834	10,377
Investment-related expense, net of reimbursement	116	324
Depreciation and amortization expense	35,260	22,155
Equity-based compensation cost	33,862	15,845
Incentive fee and carried interest allocation, net of associated expense allocation	(180,273)	(176,016)
Straight-line rent expense	1,049	1,844
Placement fees	3,698	—
Transaction-related and restructuring charges	26,259	18,402
Unrealized principal investment income	(4,223)	(4,121)
Other (gain) loss, net	2,526	3,341
Income tax (benefit) expense	1,694	7,815
<b>Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>134,164</b>	<b>86,050</b>
Start-up FRE	3,751	9,739
<b>Investment Management FRE</b>	<b>137,915</b>	<b>95,789</b>
Attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests <sup>(1)</sup>	—	(12,315)
<b>Investment Management FRE—attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>\$ 137,915</b>	<b>\$ 83,474</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Wafra's interest in the investment management business was redeemed in May 2022.

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<b>Investment Management</b>	
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 186,084</b>
Interest expense, net of interest income	10,377
Investment expense, net of reimbursement	324
Depreciation and amortization	22,155
Equity-based compensation	15,845
Incentive fee and carried interest, net of associated compensation expense	(207,016)
Straight-line rent expense	1,844
Transaction-related and restructuring charges	18,402
Equity method earnings, excluding carried interest	26,341
Other loss, net	3,341
Income tax expense	7,815
<b>Investment Management Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>86,050</b>
Start-up FRE	9,739
<b>Investment Management FRE</b>	<b>95,789</b>
Attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests	(12,315)
<b>Investment Management FRE—attributable to Operating Company</b>	<b>\$ 83,474</b>

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

### Overview

We regularly evaluate our liquidity position, debt obligations, and anticipated cash needs to fund our business and operations based upon our projected financial performance. Our evaluation of future liquidity requirements is regularly reviewed and updated for changes in internal projections, economic conditions, competitive landscape and other factors as applicable.

### Liquidity Needs and Sources of Liquidity

Our primary liquidity needs are to fund:

- our general partner and general partner affiliate commitments to our investment vehicles;
- acquisitions of target investment management businesses;
- warehouse investments pending the raising of third party capital for future investment vehicles;
- principal and interest payments on our debt;
- our operations, including compensation, administrative and overhead costs;
- dividends to our preferred and common stockholders;
- our liability for corporate and other taxes; and

- obligation for lease payments on our corporate offices;

Our primary sources of liquidity are:

- cash on hand;

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- fees received from our investment management business, including our share of distributed net incentive fees and carried interest;
- cash flow generated from our investments, both from operations and return of capital;
- availability under our Variable Funding Notes ("VFN");
- issuance of additional term notes under our corporate securitization;
- third party co-investors in our consolidated investments and/or businesses;
- proceeds from full or partial realization of investments; and
- proceeds from public or private equity and debt offerings.

## Overview

At December 31, 2022 December 31, 2023, our liquidity position was approximately \$1 billion, including \$475 million, composed of corporate unrestricted cash and including the full \$300 million availability under our VFN. In February 2023, our liquidity position decreased by \$323.5 million in connection with the InfraBridge acquisition. With an all-cash acquisition, there is no resulting future debt burden.

Outside of our normal course operating activities, our significant liquidity needs in the immediate term include a \$90 million contingent earnout payable to Wafra in March 2023 and repayment of \$200 million of convertible notes maturing in April 2023. The latter will result in a deleveraging of our corporate balance sheet. We expect to satisfy these obligations with cash on hand.

We believe we have sufficient cash on hand, and anticipated cash generated from operating activities and external financing sources, to meet our short term and long term capital requirements.

While we have sufficient liquidity to meet our operational needs, we continue to evaluate alternatives to manage our capital structure and market opportunities to strengthen our liquidity and to provide further operational and strategic flexibility.

## Significant Liquidity and Capital Activities in 2022 and through February 2023

### Sources of Funds

- \$425.49 million in total net proceeds received in from the second half September 2023 recapitalization of 2022, including our share of net carried interest, from partially monetizing our interest in DataBank
- \$428.202 million in return of capital net proceeds from transfer of warehoused investments to newly formed sponsored funds and transfer of loans to a third party sponsored CLO in August and December 2022
- \$100 million increase in our VFN availability to \$300 million effective April 2022
- Monetization full disposition of our Wellness Infrastructure business BRSP shares in February 2022 for \$161 million in cash March 2023

### Uses of Funds

- Redemption of Wafra's minority interest in our investment management business in May 2022 through a combination of common stock issuance and \$388.5 million in cash, following which, all net cash flows from our fee business accrue to us at 100%
- Repurchase of (i) \$52.6 million of preferred stock at a discount to par, which generates future savings in preferred dividends, and (ii) \$55 million of common stock
- Acquisition of InfraBridge in February 2023 for \$323.5 million (including working capital, \$314 million, net of cash assumed)

## Liquidity Needs and Sources of Liquidity

Our primary liquidity needs are to fund:

- acquisitions of target investment management businesses; assumed
- \$200 million repayment of our general partner and co-investment commitments to our investment vehicles; convertible senior notes upon maturity in April 2023
- warehouse investments pending the raising of third party capital for future investment vehicles;
- principal and interest payments on our debt;
- our operations, including compensation, administrative and overhead costs;
- obligation for lease payments, principally leasehold data centers and corporate offices;
- our liability for corporate and other taxes;
- development, construction and capital expenditures on our operating real estate; and
- dividends \$90 million contingent earnout payment to our preferred and common stockholders.

Our primary sources of liquidity are:

- cash on hand;
- fees received from our investment management business, including the Company's share of realized net incentive fees or carried interest;
- cash flow generated from our investments, both from operations and return of capital;
- availability under our VFN;
- issuance of additional term notes under our corporate securitization;
- third party co-investors **Wafra** in our consolidated investments and/or businesses;
- proceeds from full or partial realization of investments;
- investment-level financing; and
- proceeds from public or private equity and debt offerings, **March 2023**.

## Liquidity Needs and Capital Activities

### Stock Repurchases

In July 2022, our Board of Directors authorized a \$200 million stock repurchase program which expires in June 2023, but may be extended, modified, or discontinued at any time by our Board of Directors. During 2022, we repurchased approximately \$108 million in aggregate of preferred and common stock. As of December 31, 2022, \$92 million of repurchase capacity remains available under the program.

### Dividends

**Common Stock**—The payment of common stock dividends and determination of the amount thereof is at the discretion of our Board of Directors. The Company reinstated quarterly common stock dividends at \$0.01 per share beginning the third quarter of 2022, having previously suspended common stock dividends from the second quarter of 2020 through the second quarter of 2022.

**Preferred Stock**—At December 31, 2022, we **We** have outstanding preferred stock totaling **\$828 million** **\$822 million**, bearing a weighted average dividend rate of 7.135% per annum, with aggregate dividend payments of **\$14.8 million** **\$14.7 million** per quarter.

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## Contractual Obligations, Commitments and Contingencies

### Debt ~~Obligation~~ Obligations

**Description** As of the date of this filing, our corporate debt is **provided** composed of a securitized financing facility and exchangeable senior notes issued by the OP, all of which are recourse to the Company, as described in Note **8** **7** to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report, **statements**.

Our contractual obligation for principal repayments on our debt at December 31, 2022 is as shown below. Investment level secured debt is non-recourse to us and serviced through operating and/or investing cash generated by the respective borrower subsidiaries in our Operating segment and by our consolidated fund.

Debt maturities and future debt principal payments are presented based upon anticipated repayment dates for notes issued under securitization financing, or based upon initial maturity dates or extended maturity dates if extension criteria are met at December 31, 2022 for extensions that are at our option.

(In thousands)	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
Corporate-level Debt:						
Secured fund fee revenue notes	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 300,000	\$ —	\$ 300,000
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes	200,000	—	78,422	—	—	278,422
Non-recourse investment-level secured debt	228,792	879,503	1,175,250	1,750,690	600,000	4,634,235
Total	\$ 428,792	\$ 879,503	\$ 1,253,672	\$ 2,050,690	\$ 600,000	\$ 5,212,657

We expect to repay the outstanding \$200 million 5.00% convertible senior notes upon maturity in April 2023 with current cash on hand, which will result in a deleveraging of our corporate balance sheet.

In connection with an amortizing investment-level securitized debt with an anticipated repayment date in November 2023 (at December 31, 2022, \$216 million expected principal repayment in 2023), our subsidiary in the Operating segment is looking to refinance the debt prior to its anticipated repayment date or otherwise, continue servicing the debt until such time a refinancing is executed.

(\$ in thousands)	Outstanding Principal	Interest Rate (Per Annum)	Maturity or Anticipated Repayment Date	Years Remaining to Maturity
Corporate debt:				
Securitized financing facility—fixed rate	\$ 300,000	3.93 %	September 2026	2.7
Exchangeable senior notes—fixed rate	78,422	5.75 %	July 2025	1.5

## Investment Commitments

**Fund Commitments**—As general partner, we typically have minimum capital commitments to our sponsored funds. With respect to our flagship value-add DBP fund series, and InfraBridge funds, we have made additional capital commitments as a general partner affiliate alongside our limited partner investors. Our fund capital investments further align our interests to our investors. As of **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**, we have unfunded commitments of **\$112 million totaling \$260 million** to our sponsored funds. Generally, the timing for funding of these commitments is not known and the commitments are callable on demand at any time prior to their respective expirations.

## Contingent Consideration

**Wafra Redemption**—In connection with the May 2022 redemption of Wafra's interest in our investment management business, additional contingent consideration is payable based upon future capital raise thresholds, with up to 50% payable in shares of our class A common stock at our election. **\$90 million is The remaining contingent consideration of \$35 million will become** payable in March **2023 based upon capital raised in 2022, and up to \$35 million in March 2024 dependent upon cumulative capital raised through 2023, 2024.**

**InfraBridge Acquisition**—In connection with the InfraBridge acquisition in February 2023, **additional** contingent consideration of up to \$129 million may become payable based upon achievement of future fundraising targets for **InfraBridge's** the third and fourth flagship **InfraBridge** funds. **The current estimated fair value of the contingent consideration is \$11 million.**

## Warehoused Investments

We temporarily warehouse investments on behalf of prospective sponsored investment vehicles that are actively fundraising. The warehoused investments are transferred to the investment vehicle **if and** when sufficient third party capital, including debt, is raised. Generally, the timing of future warehousing activities is not known. Nevertheless, investment warehousing is undertaken only if **it is determined that we determine that there will be have** sufficient liquidity through the anticipated warehousing period.

**In August and December 2022, we received a return of \$428 million in total capital, inclusive of holding fees, from the transfer of At December 31, 2023, warehoused investments aggregate to our new sponsored funds and to a third party sponsored CLO, along with repayment of corresponding debt. This included \$282 million in connection with TowerCo that was acquired in June 2022.**

**At December 31, 2022, we had \$52 million of remaining warehoused equity investments. at cost.**

## Carried Interest Clawback

Depending on the final realized value of all investments at the end of the life of a fund (and, with respect to certain funds, periodically during the life of the fund), if it is determined that cumulative carried interest distributions have exceeded the final carried interest amount earned (or amount earned as of the calculation date), we are obligated to return the excess carried interest received. Therefore, carried interest distributions may be subject to clawback if decline in investment values results in cumulative performance of the fund falling below minimum return hurdles in the interim period. If it is determined that the Company has a clawback obligation, a liability would be established based upon a hypothetical liquidation of the net assets of the fund at reporting date. The actual determination and required payment of any clawback obligation would generally occur after final disposition of the investments of the fund or otherwise as set forth in the governing documents of the fund.

If the related carried interest distributions received by the Company are subject to clawback, the previously distributed carried interest would be similarly subject to **clawback from employees. clawback.** The Company **generally** withholds a portion of the distribution of carried interest to employees to satisfy their potential clawback obligation.

Generally, the Company, through the OP, has guaranteed the clawback obligation of its subsidiaries that act as general partner or special limited partner of its respective sponsored funds, for the benefit of these funds and their limited partners.

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At **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**, the Company has no liability for clawback obligations on distributed carried interest.

## Lease Obligations

At **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**, we had **\$40.5 million \$49 million** of operating lease obligations on our corporate offices, which **are will be** funded through corporate operating cash. **Additionally, there were \$135.6 million and \$285.9 million of finance and operating lease obligations, respectively, principally on leasehold data centers assumed through acquisitions, with such obligations satisfied through operating cash generated by the respective investment properties. These The lease obligation amounts represent amount represents** fixed lease payments, excluding any contingent or other variable lease payments, and factor in lease renewal or termination options only if it is reasonably certain that such options would be exercised. **Scheduled future lease commitment amounts over the next five years and thereafter is presented in Note 19 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report.**

## Sources of Liquidity

### Debt Funding

**At December 31, 2022, As of the date of this filing, we had \$578 million have \$378 million of corporate-level debt, along with non-recourse investment level secured outstanding principal on our corporate debt, as summarized below.**



(\$ in thousands)	Outstanding Principal	Weighted Average Interest Rate <sup>(1)</sup> (Per Annum)	Weighted Average Years Remaining to Maturity <sup>(2)</sup>
Corporate-level debt:			
Secured fund fee revenue notes	\$ 300,000	3.93 %	3.7
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes	278,422	5.21 %	0.9
	578,422		
Non-recourse investment-level secured debt:			
Fixed rate	3,640,235	2.72 %	
Variable rate	994,000	8.40 %	
	4,634,235	3.71 %	3.0
Total debt	\$ 5,212,657		

<sup>(1)</sup> discussed above under: **Calculated based upon outstanding debt principal at balance sheet date. For variable rate debt, weighted average interest rate is calculated based upon the applicable index plus spread at balance sheet date. —Debt Obligation.**

<sup>(2)</sup> Calculated based upon anticipated repayment dates for notes issued under securitization financing; otherwise based upon initial maturity dates, or extended maturity dates if extension criteria are met for extensions that are at the Company's option.

#### Corporate-level Debt

**Securitized Financing Facility**—Our securitized financing facility is subject to various covenants, including financial covenants that require the maintenance of minimum thresholds for debt service coverage ratio and maximum loan-to-value ratio, as defined. As of the date of this filing, we are in compliance with all of the financial covenants, and the full amount \$300 million is available to be drawn on our \$300 million VFN.

Our securitized financing facility allows for the issuance of additional term notes in the future to supplement our liquidity. The decision to enter into a particular financing arrangement is made after consideration of various factors including future cash needs, current sources of liquidity, demand for the Company's debt or equity, and prevailing interest rates.

**Senior Notes**—We continue to reduce higher cost corporate indebtedness through early exchange of an additional \$60 million of senior notes into common stock in March 2022, which generated net savings in interest payments.

#### Non-Recourse Investment-Level Secured Debt

Investment level financing is non-recourse to us and secured primarily by the respective underlying real estate in the Operating segment.

In 2022, disposition of investments resulted in further deleveraging of our balance sheet as follows:

- Investment-level debt of \$2.86 billion held by NRF Holdco (previously classified as held for disposition) was assumed by the acquirer upon sale of NRF Holdco in February 2022.

- In August 2022, \$173 million of debt previously financing warehoused loans was repaid following a transfer of the loans into a third party sponsored CLO.
- \$313 million of debt obtained in June 2022 to partially fund the acquisition of TowerCo was assumed by our sponsored fund in December 2022 in conjunction with the transfer of TowerCo assets to the fund.

#### Cash From Operations

**Fee-Related Earnings**—We generate FRE from our Investment Management segment, generally encompassing recurring fee income revenue net of associated compensation and administrative expenses. Following the redemption of Wafra's 31.5% interest in our investment management business in May 2022, 100% of Investment Management FRE is attributable to us. Management fee income revenue is generally a predictable and stable revenue stream. Our ability to generate new management fee streams through establishing new investment vehicles and raising investor capital depends on general market conditions and availability of attractive investment opportunities as well as availability of debt capital.

**Incentive Fees**—Incentive fees, net of employee allocations, are earned based upon the financial performance of a vehicle above a specified return threshold, which is largely driven by appreciation in value of underlying investments. Incentive fees are recognized as fee income revenue when they are no longer probable of significant reversal. As investment fair values and changes thereof could be affected by various factors, including market and economic conditions, incentive fees are by nature less predictable in amount and timing. There were no incentive fees received in 2022.

**Carried Interest Distributions**—Carried interest is distributed generally upon profitable disposition of an investment if at the time of distribution, cumulative returns of the fund exceed minimum return hurdles. Carried interest distributions are recognized in earnings net of clawback obligations, if any. The amount and timing of carried interest distributions received may vary substantially from period to period depending upon the occurrence and size of investments realized by our sponsored funds.

In 2022, we received our share of realized carried interest of \$32.6 million, net of allocation to employees and Wafra, in connection with the recapitalization of DataBank and sale of investments by DBP I and DBP II.

*Investments*—Our investments, primarily in our sponsored funds as general partner affiliate, generate cash either from operations or as a return of our invested capital. We primarily generate revenue from net operating income of our digital infrastructure business, which is partially offset by interest expense associated with non-recourse borrowings on our digital portfolio. We also receive periodic distributions from our equity investments, including our GP co-investments, largely through capital appreciation upon liquidation.

#### Asset Monetization

We periodically monetize our investments through opportunistic asset sales or to recycle capital from non-core assets.

*DataBank*—In the second half of 2022, we partially monetized March 2023, our interest in DataBank and received total BRSP shares were fully disposed for net proceeds of \$405 million from our investment, excluding carried interest. The incremental third party capital raised in the recapitalization also results in additional fee income in our Investment Management segment. \$202 million.

*Wellness Infrastructure*—In completing our digital transformation, we monetized our Wellness Infrastructure assets in February 2022 for \$161 million in cash, including cash distributions received from NRF Holdco prior to closing As of the sale, and \$155 million in note receivable.

*Other Non-Digital Investments*—We also date of filing, we have other marketable equity securities including our shares in BRSP, that are available for future monetization. At December 31, 2022, the aggregate fair value monetization totaling \$32 million, valued as of these investments was \$235 million. December 31, 2023.

#### Public Offerings

We may offer and sell various types of securities from time to time at our discretion based upon our needs and depending upon market conditions and available pricing.

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#### Consolidated Cash Flows

The following table summarizes the activities from our consolidated statements of cash flows, including discontinued operations.

		Year Ended December 31,	
		Year Ended December 31,	
		Year Ended December 31,	
		Year Ended December 31,	
(In thousands)	(In thousands)	2022	2021
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—beginning of period	Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—beginning of period	\$ 1,766,245	\$ 963,008
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—beginning of period			
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—beginning of period			
Net cash provided by (used in):			
Net cash provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	Operating activities	262,582	248,237
Operating activities			
Operating activities			
Investing activities			
Investing activities			
Investing activities	Investing activities	(1,913,408)	146,565
Financing activities	Financing activities	923,785	411,260
Financing activities			
Financing activities			
Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash			
Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash			
Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(2,465)	(2,825)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—end of period	Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—end of period	\$ 1,036,739	\$ 1,766,245

Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—end of period  
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—end of period

### Operating Activities

Cash inflows from operating activities are generated primarily through fee income, fee-related earnings, including incentive fees, and distributions of our share of net carried interest, distribution of earnings from our investment management business, property general partner affiliate interests in our sponsored funds, and prior to deconsolidation of the portfolio companies in the Operating segment during 2023, net operating income from our real estate investments, interest received from loans receivable during the warehousing period, and distributions of earnings received from equity investments. This is partially offset by payment of operating expenses, including property management and operations, investment transaction-related costs, as well as compensation and general administrative costs, properties.

Our operating activities generated net cash inflows of \$233.6 million in 2023 and \$262.6 million in 2022 and \$248.2 million in 2021.

### Investing Activities

Investing activities include relate to business combinations; general partner and general partner affiliate investments in sponsored funds, including subsequent drawdown of commitments and return of investments, primarily cash outlays for acquisition of real estate, from realized fund investments; origination or acquisition of warehoused loans and disbursement on subsequent drawdowns, and new equity investments and subsequent contributions. These are partially offset by repayments, sales and transfers of warehoused loans receivable, distributions investments; and prior to deconsolidation of capital received from equity investments, and proceeds from sale portfolio companies in the Operating segment in 2023, acquisition of real estate and equity investments, estate.

Our investing activities generated net cash outflows of \$979.0 million in 2023 and \$1.9 billion in 2022 and net cash inflows of \$146.6 million 2022. Cash outlays in 2021.

#### • Real estate investments—Real estate investing activities generated net cash outflows in both years.

Net outflows were higher in 2022 totaling approximately \$2.0 billion, 2023 can be attributed primarily to the acquisition of TowerCo, DataBank's acquisition InfraBridge and deconsolidation of five data centers, capital expenditures in our data center portfolio DataBank and payments for build-out of expansion capacity and lease-up within the Vantage SDC portfolio. All of these outflows were partially offset by proceeds received from our Wellness Infrastructure sale and the transfer of our interest in TowerCo to our new sponsored fund in December 2022, all of which were net of property-level cash transferred to the buyer or fund.

2021 saw net cash outflows of \$420.0 million, driven by add-on acquisitions in the Vantage SDC portfolio and capital expenditures in our Operating segment. These outflows were partially offset by proceeds from sales the sale of BRSP shares and proceeds from DataBank recapitalization. 2022 cash outlays were driven by the acquisitions of TowerCo and data centers in the Operating segment.

#### • Business combination—In 2023, we paid \$314.3 million (net of cash assumed) for the acquisition of InfraBridge.

#### • Equity investments—Equity investments generated net cash inflows in both years.

In 2023, equity investments recorded net cash inflows of \$190.3 million, attributed primarily to \$201.6 million from the sale of BRSP shares, return of capital from a non-digital equity investment following a final sale of its underlying assets, and investing activities of our Wellness Infrastructure segment, consolidated liquid funds which hold marketable equity securities. These cash inflows were partially offset by funding of our hotel business general partner and our OED portfolio, general partner affiliate commitments, net of return of capital.

2022 saw net cash deconsolidated, inflows of \$11.6 million, largely representing the trading activities in marketable equity securities by our consolidated liquid funds, and a return of capital from the first sale of investment by DBP I, partially offset by funding of our general partner and general partner affiliate commitments, net of return of capital.

#### • Debt investments—Our debt investments generated minimal net cash inflows in both years. 2023 and 2022.

There Having relinquished all of our warehoused debt investments in 2022, the only cash activity with respect to debt investments in 2023 was the full repayment of a loan held by DataBank of \$6.8 million.

In 2022, there was a net cash inflow of \$44.8 million in 2022. Disbursements for additional fundings and acquisition acquisitions of warehoused loans during the year were more than offset by proceeds received from the subsequent transfer of the entire portfolio of warehoused loans to our new sponsored credit fund or and to a third party sponsored CLO, collateralized loan obligation.

#### In 2021, • Real estate investments—Real estate investing activities generated net cash inflows outflows in both years.

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Net cash outflows in 2023 was \$653.5 million, attributed to loan repayments, DataBank's data center acquisition in particular a \$305.0 million repayment received on two loans Dallas and capital expenditures in our Irish loan data center portfolio, including payments for build-out of expansion capacity and \$146.0 million lease-up within the Vantage SDC portfolio, partially offset by \$21.5 million of proceeds, net of carried interest distribution, from the recapitalization of DataBank. Also included in cash outflows was cash deconsolidated related to DataBank, Vantage SDC and our credit fund totaling \$229.2 million.

2022 saw net cash outflows of \$2.0 billion, attributed primarily to the acquisition of TowerCo and, to a lesser extent, to DataBank's acquisition of five data centers, data center capital expenditures, and payments for build-out of expansion capacity and lease-up within the Vantage SDC portfolio. Also contributing to the cash outflows was cash assumed by the buyer, net of proceeds from received, in the sale of our loan real estate investment holding entities in the OED portfolio, net of cash deconsolidated. This was partially offset by acquisition or origination of warehoused loans, other loans disbursements, and acquisition of additional N-Star collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") at a discount by our Wellness Infrastructure segment, which has since been disposed.

▪ **Equity investments**—Our equity investments generated net business and property-level cash inflows transferred related to the transfer of our interest in both years.

In 2022, our equity investments recorded net cash inflows of \$11.6 million, largely representing the trading activities in marketable equity securities by our consolidated liquid funds, partially offset by additional contributions TowerCo to our digital funds, net of return of capital.

2021 saw net cash inflows of \$104.6 million in connection with our equity investments. Significant sales of equity investments included 9.5 million BRSP shares for \$81.8 million of cash, and sale of investment holding entities in the OED portfolio, which generated proceeds of \$177.8 million, net of cash deconsolidated. Net cash inflows were also generated from trading activities in marketable equity securities by our consolidated funds in the Liquid Strategies. These inflows were partially offset by outflows attributed largely to funding of our digital sponsored fund commitments and draws on acquisition, development and construction or ADC loans that were accounted for as equity method investments prior to their sale in December 2021, 2022.

### Financing Activities

We finance our investing activities largely through investment-level secured debt and capital from co-investors. We also may draw upon our securitized financing facility to finance our investing and operating activities, as well as have the ability to raise capital in the public markets through issuances of preferred stock, common stock and private placement notes. Accordingly, we incur cash outlays primarily for payments on our investment-level and corporate debt, and dividends to our preferred stockholders and common stockholders (common dividends were reinstated beginning stockholders. Separately, prior to their deconsolidation in 2023, portfolio companies in the third quarter of 2022), as well as Operating segment financed their investing activities largely through investment-level secured debt and incurred cash outlays for debt servicing and distributions to their third party investors who represent noncontrolling interests, largely in our Operating segment, interests.

Financing activities generated net cash inflows in both years.

▪ In 2023, the net cash inflows of \$58.2 million represent primarily \$484.5 million of additional investment-level debt in the Operating segment, largely offset by repayment of our \$200 million 5.00% convertible senior notes, \$90 million contingent consideration payment to Wafra, \$89.5 million distributed for capital redeemed by a noncontrolling interest in a consolidated liquid fund, and income distribution to noncontrolling interests in Vantage SDC.

▪ The financing net cash inflows of \$923.8 million in 2022 and \$411.3 million in 2021.

▪ In 2022, the net cash inflow of \$923.8 million was were driven by financing for the acquisition of TowerCo and the DataBank data center acquisition through term loans and capital contributions from noncontrolling interests totaling \$1.1 billion. \$1.1 billion. The TowerCo debt was subsequently assumed by our new sponsored fund upon the transfer of our equity interest interests in TowerCo to the fund. Additionally, cash inflows included our share of proceeds recorded in equity of \$405.4 million \$302.8 million from sale of a portion of our interest in our DataBank subsidiary in connection with the partial recapitalization of DataBank in August 2022 that was treated as an equity transaction. These transaction (Note 10). The cash inflows were partially offset by \$388.5 million \$388.5 million of cash paid to redeem Wafra's interest in our investment management business in May 2022. business. Financing cash outflows also included repayment of our warehouse credit facility of \$172.5 million \$172.5 million with proceeds from a transfer of the warehoused loans to a third party CLO, and paydowns on amortizing debt in our Operating segment. Other notable cash outflows included preferred and common stock repurchases totaling \$107.8 million and distributions to various noncontrolling controlling interests. Dividend payments were \$64.0 million in 2022, which is lower than 2021 following preferred stock redemptions during 2021 and repurchases during 2022.

▪ The financing net cash inflows of \$411.3 million in 2021 were driven by \$671.2 million of borrowings exceeding debt repayments. Investment-level financing activities included primarily issuances of securitized notes and draws on variable funding notes by Vantage SDC to finance an add-on acquisition, future expansion capacity and capital expenditures, as well as by DataBank to refinance existing debt and fund future acquisition. There was also repayment of debt financing real estate in Europe that were sold during the year. At the corporate level, we replaced our credit facility with a securitized financing facility, from which we received \$285.1 million of net proceeds in July through issuance of Class A-2 Notes, some of which were applied to redeem preferred stock for \$86.8 million. Additionally, distributions outpaced contributions from noncontrolling interests, resulting in a net cash outflow of \$16.9 million. Contributions from noncontrolling interests were composed largely of a syndication of our interest to a new third party investor in our zColo investment vehicle, assumption by Wafra of a portion of our commitments to DBP, and additional consideration paid by Wafra for its investment in our investment management business. These contributions were more than offset by distributions to third party co-investors, primarily in the OED portfolio prior to deconsolidation upon sale of our interests in December 2021. Dividend payments were \$73.4 million in 2021.

### Guarantees and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no guarantees or off-balance sheet arrangements that we believe are reasonable likely to have a material effect on our financial condition.

### Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP, which requires the use of estimates and assumptions that involve the exercise of judgment and that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and the

disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Our critical accounting policies and estimates are integral to understanding and evaluating our reported financial results, as they require subjective or complex management judgments resulting from the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain and unpredictable.

Highlighted below are accounting policies and estimates that we believe to be critical based on the nature of our business and/or require significant management judgment and assumptions. With respect to all critical estimates discussed below, we have established policies and control procedures which seek to ensure that estimates and assumptions are appropriately governed and applied consistently from period to period. We believe that all of the decisions and assessments applied were reasonable at the time made, based upon information available to us at that time.

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Due to the inherently judgmental nature of the various projections and assumptions used and the unpredictability of economic and market conditions, actual results may differ from estimates, and changes in estimates and assumptions could have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements in the future.

### **Equity Method Earnings—Carried Interest**

The Company recognizes carried interests from its equity method investments as general partner in investment vehicles that it sponsors. Carried interest represents a disproportionate allocation of returns from the Company's sponsored investment vehicles based upon the extent to which cumulative performance of the vehicles exceeds minimum return hurdles pursuant to terms of their respective governing agreements. Carried interest is subject to reversal until such time it is realized, which generally occurs upon disposition of all underlying investments of an investment vehicle, or in part with each disposition. A portion of carried interest is allocated to certain employees, and is similarly subject to reversal if there is a decline in the cumulative carried interest amounts previously recognized.

The amount of carried interest recognized is based upon the cumulative performance of each investment vehicle if it were liquidated as of the reporting date, which in turn is largely driven by appreciation in value of the underlying investments held by these vehicles. The investments held by sponsored vehicles are revalued each quarter, with the results subject to the Company's valuation review and approval process. Fair value of the underlying investments is typically estimated using unobservable inputs and assumptions that involves significant judgement including, but not limited to, the financial performance of the portfolio company, economic conditions, foreign exchange rates, comparable transactions in the market, and equity prices for publicly traded securities, and is therefore subject to inherent uncertainties.

### **Income Taxes**

Deferred tax assets represent amounts available to reduce income taxes payable on taxable income in future years. Such assets arise from temporary differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities, as well as from NOL, capital loss and tax credit carryforwards.

Realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the adequacy of future expected taxable income from all sources, including reversal of taxable temporary differences, forecasted taxable earnings and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets is established if the Company believes it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized based upon the weight of all available positive and negative evidence. The weight given to the evidence is commensurate with the extent to which it can be objectively verified. The more negative evidence that exists, the more positive evidence is necessary and the more difficult it is to support a conclusion that a valuation allowance is not required.

In evaluating realizability of deferred tax assets, the Company considers various factors, including: (1) nature of the deferred tax assets and liabilities, whether they are ordinary or capital; (2) in which tax jurisdictions they were generated and timing of their reversal; (3) taxable income in prior carryback years and projected taxable earnings exclusive of reversing temporary differences and carryforwards; (4) length of time that carryovers can be utilized in the various tax jurisdictions; (5) any unique tax rules that would impact the utilization of the deferred tax assets; and (6) any tax planning strategies that could be employed to reasonably assure utilization of the tax benefit prior to expiration.

The projection of future taxable earnings to be generated by subsidiaries to which the deferred tax assets apply represent a critical estimate. Key assumptions in this evaluation include the Company's forecast of future capital raises, and actual and planned business and operational changes, which are affected by future macroeconomic and Company-specific conditions and events. These assumptions rely heavily on estimates and changes in estimates could result in an establishment or an increase in valuation allowance.

An established valuation allowance may be reversed in a future period if the Company subsequently determines it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax assets will become realizable.

A discussion of valuation allowances established in 2022 is included in Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report.

### **Impairment**

In connection with our review and preparation of the consolidated financial statements, prior to and subsequent to each quarter end, we evaluate if prevailing events or changes in circumstances indicate that carrying values of the following assets may not be recoverable, in which case, an impairment analysis is performed.

#### **Real Estate Held for Investment**

Triggering events that may indicate potential impairment of our real estate held for investment include, but are not limited to, deterioration in current and/or projected earnings; significant near-term lease expirations; decline in occupancy; or other customer or market conditions that would negatively affect property operating cash flows.

The carrying amount of real estate held for investment is not recoverable if it exceeds the undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the property, including any estimated proceeds from eventual disposition of the property. If multiple outcomes are under consideration, the Company may apply either a probability-weighted cash flows approach or the single-most-likely estimate of cash flows approach, whichever is more appropriate under the circumstances. Impairment is recognized to reduce the carrying value of the property to its estimated fair value, generally based upon a discounted net cash flow analysis which applies a terminal capitalization rate at the end of the projection period to derive an exit value, or a direct capitalization approach which applies an overall capitalization rate to expected net operating income to estimate current property value.

Estimation of future net cash flows involves significant judgment and assumptions, including, but not limited to: probability-weighting to different cash flow scenarios or the determination of the single-most-likely cash flow scenario, where applicable; available market information such as competition levels, leasing trends, occupancy trends, lease rates, and market prices of similar properties recently sold or currently being offered for sale; and capitalization rates.

There was no impairment recorded on real estate held for investment in 2022.

#### **Equity Method Investments**

Significant equity method investments that are subject to periodic impairment assessment include the Company's investment in BRSP.

Indicators of impairment on equity method investments generally include the Company's shortened hold period assumptions; significant deterioration in earnings performance, asset quality, or business prospects of the investee; or significant adverse change in the industry, economic, or market environment of the investee.

If indicators of impairment exist, the Company estimates the fair value of its equity method investment, which considers factors such as the estimated enterprise value of the investee, fair value of the investee's underlying net assets, or net cash flows to be generated by the investee, and for equity method investees with publicly-traded equity, the traded price of the equity securities in an active market.

Further consideration is made if a decrease in the fair value of equity method investments is other-than-temporary to determine if impairment loss should be recognized. Assessment of other-than-temporary impairment may involve significant management judgment, including, but not limited to: consideration of the investee's current and projected financial condition and earnings, business prospects and creditworthiness; significant and prolonged decline in traded price of the investee's equity security; or the Company's ability and intent to hold the investment until recovery of its carrying value. If management is unable to reasonably assert that an impairment is temporary or believes that the Company may not fully recover the carrying value of its investment, then the impairment is considered to be other-than-temporary.

Our investment in BRSP was determined to be other-than-temporarily impaired in 2022, as discussed further in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report.

#### **Goodwill**

At December 31, 2022, the Company's goodwill is associated with its Investment Management and Operating segments.

Goodwill is tested for impairment at the reporting unit to which it is assigned, which can be an operating segment or one level below an operating segment. The assessment of goodwill for impairment may initially be performed based on qualitative factors to determine if it is more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying value, including goodwill. If so, a quantitative assessment is performed, and to the extent the carrying value of the

reporting unit exceeds its fair value, impairment is recognized for the excess up to the amount of goodwill assigned to the reporting unit. Alternatively, the Company may bypass a qualitative assessment and proceed directly to a quantitative assessment.

A qualitative assessment considers various factors such as macroeconomic, industry and market conditions to the extent they affect the earnings performance of the reporting unit, changes in business strategy and/or management of the reporting unit, changes in composition or mix of revenues and/or cost structure of the reporting unit, financial performance and business prospects of the reporting unit, among other factors.

In a quantitative assessment, significant judgment, assumptions and estimates are applied in determining the fair value of reporting units. The Company has generally used the income approach to estimate fair value by discounting the projected net cash flows of the reporting unit, and may corroborate with market-based data where available and appropriate. Projection of future cash flows is based upon various factors, including, but not limited to, our strategic plans in regard to our business and operations, internal forecasts, terminal year residual revenue multiples, operating profit margins, pricing of similar businesses and comparable transactions where applicable, and risk-adjusted discount rates to present value future cash flows. Given the level of sensitivity in the inputs, a change in the value of any one input, in isolation or in combination, could significantly affect the overall estimation of fair value of the reporting unit.

The Company determined that there were no indicators of impairment to goodwill in 2022.

#### **Allowance for Credit Losses**

##### **Debt Securities**

A debt security is impaired if its fair value is below its amortized cost. If the Company intends to sell the impaired debt security or is more likely than not will be required to sell the debt security before recovery of its amortized cost, the entire impairment amount is recognized in earnings as a write-off of the amortized cost basis of the debt security.

If the Company does not intend to sell or is not more likely than not required to sell the debt security before recovery of its amortized cost, the credit component of the loss is recognized in earnings as an allowance for credit loss, which may be subject to reversal for subsequent recoveries in fair value. The non-credit loss component is recognized in other comprehensive income or loss. The allowance is charged off against the amortized cost basis of the security if in a subsequent period, the Company intends to or more likely than not will be required to sell the security, or if the Company deems the security to be uncollectible.

The Company holds the subordinated notes of a third party sponsored CLO, classified under Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

Subordinated notes are the residual interest or equity tranche of a CLO, representing the most leveraged and illiquid tranche within the structure, and are subject to first loss exposure in the collateral pool. Accordingly, the value of subordinated notes is highly sensitive to the performance of the underlying collateral of a CLO.

The use of unobservable inputs in estimating fair value necessitates the application of management judgement. Factors considered in the valuation of CLO subordinated notes generally include: expected loan default rates which are a function of the composition of the collateral pool (for example, credit rating and industry sector of the underlying loans), historical corporate loan defaults and market expectations for corporate debt performance under current economic conditions; loss given default or severity rate; loan prepayment rates; reinvestment price during the reinvestment period; redemption or call date following expiration of the reinvestment period; and redemption or call price.

At December 31, 2022, fair value of the CLO subordinated notes was determined using a benchmarking approach, as described in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report.

#### **Fair Value**

The Company carries certain assets at fair value on investments held by our sponsored investment vehicles represent a recurring or nonrecurring basis. primary input in the determination of carried interest allocation together with corresponding compensation expense, and principal investment income (loss) which is our share of income (loss) from equity interests in our sponsored funds.

The investments held by our sponsored vehicles are revalued each quarter, with the results subject to the Company's valuation review and approval process. Fair value of the underlying investments is typically estimated using unobservable inputs and assumptions that involves significant judgement including, but not limited to, the financial performance of the portfolio company, economic conditions, foreign exchange rates, comparable transactions in the market, and equity prices for publicly traded securities, and is therefore subject to inherent uncertainties.

Equity method investments and loans receivable, if any, for which fair value option is elected, are also revalued each quarter and are similarly subject to the inherent uncertainties and assumptions applied in estimating fair values.

#### **Carried Interest Allocation**

The Company has elected recognizes carried interests from its equity method investments as general partner in investment vehicles that it sponsors. Carried interest represents a disproportionate allocation of returns from the Company's sponsored investment vehicles based upon the extent to which cumulative performance of the vehicles



exceeds minimum return hurdles pursuant to terms of their respective governing agreements. Carried interest is subject to reversal until such time it is realized, which generally occurs upon disposition of all underlying investments of an investment vehicle, or in part with each disposition. A portion of carried interest is allocated to certain employees, former employees and to Wafra, and is similarly subject to reversal if there is a decline in the cumulative carried interest amounts previously recognized.

The amount of carried interest recognized is based upon the cumulative performance of each investment vehicle if it were liquidated as of the reporting date, which in turn is largely driven by appreciation in the fair value option for all loans receivable.

#### Loans Receivable

Certain loans receivable are classified under Level 3 of the underlying investments held by these vehicles. Therefore, carried interest may be subject to significant fluctuations between periods driven by fair value hierarchy, with changes of underlying fund investments over time.

#### Income Taxes

Deferred tax assets represent amounts available to reduce income taxes payable on taxable income in future years. Such assets arise from temporary differences between the measurement financial reporting and tax bases of fair value using at least one unobservable input assets and liabilities, as well as from NOL, capital loss and tax credit carryforwards.

Realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the adequacy of future expected taxable income from all sources, including reversal of taxable temporary differences, forecasted taxable earnings and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets is established if the Company believes it is more likely than not that is significant and requiring management judgment. Level 3 fair value for loans receivable are generally estimated all or some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized based upon the weight of all available positive and negative evidence. The weight given to the evidence is commensurate with the extent to which it can be objectively verified. The more negative evidence that exists, the more positive evidence is necessary and the more difficult it is to support a conclusion that a valuation allowance is not required.

In evaluating realizability of deferred tax assets, the Company considers various factors, including: (1) nature of the deferred tax assets and liabilities, whether they are ordinary or capital; (2) in which tax jurisdictions they were generated and timing of their reversal; (3) taxable income approach, applying a discounted cash flow model. This involves a in prior carryback years and projected taxable earnings exclusive of reversing temporary differences and carryforwards; (4) length of time that carryovers can be utilized in the various tax jurisdictions; (5) any unique tax rules that would impact the utilization of the deferred tax assets; and (6) any tax planning strategies that could be employed to reasonably assure utilization of the tax benefit prior to expiration.

The projection of principal and interest that are expected future taxable earnings to be collected, generated by subsidiaries to which the deferred tax assets apply represent a critical estimate. Key assumptions in this evaluation include the Company's forecast of future capital raises, and includes consideration of factors such as actual and planned business and operational changes, which are affected by future macroeconomic and Company-specific conditions and events. These assumptions rely heavily on estimates and changes in estimates could result in an establishment or an increase in valuation allowance.

An established valuation allowance may be reversed in a future period if the financial standing and credit risk Company subsequently determines it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the borrower or sponsor, operating results and/or value of the underlying deferred tax assets will become realizable.

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collateral, and market yields for loans with similar credit risk and other characteristics. In times A discussion of adverse economic conditions, the judgment applied valuation allowances established in estimating unobservable inputs 2022 is subject to a greater degree of uncertainty.

Refer to included in Note 11 14 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report Report.

#### Impairment

In connection with our review and preparation of the consolidated financial statements, prior to and subsequent to each quarter end, we evaluate if prevailing events or changes in circumstances indicate that carrying values of the following assets may not be recoverable, in which case, an impairment analysis is performed.

#### Goodwill

At December 31, 2023, the Company's goodwill is associated with its Investment Management and Operating segments.

Goodwill is tested for additional information impairment at the reporting unit to which it is assigned, which can be an operating segment or one level below an operating segment. The assessment of goodwill for impairment may initially be performed based on qualitative factors to determine if it is more likely than not that the inputs applied in estimating fair value of loans receivable, the reporting unit is less than its carrying value, including goodwill. If so, a quantitative assessment is performed, and to the extent the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, impairment is recognized for the excess up to the amount of goodwill assigned to the reporting unit. Alternatively, the Company may bypass a qualitative assessment and proceed directly to a quantitative assessment.

Acquisition A qualitative assessment considers various factors such as macroeconomic, industry and market conditions to the extent they affect the earnings performance of the reporting unit, changes in business strategy and/or management of the reporting unit, changes in composition or mix of revenues and/or cost structure of the reporting unit, financial performance and business prospects of the reporting unit, among other factors.

In a quantitative assessment, significant judgment, assumptions and estimates are applied in determining the fair value of reporting units. The Company has generally used the income approach to estimate fair value by discounting the projected net cash flows of the reporting unit, and may corroborate with market-based data where available and appropriate. Projection of future cash flows is based upon various factors, including, but not limited to, our strategic plans in regard to our business and operations, internal forecasts, terminal year residual revenue multiples, operating profit margins, pricing of similar businesses and comparable transactions where applicable, and risk-adjusted discount rates to present value future cash flows. Given the level of sensitivity in the inputs, a change in the value of any one input, in isolation or in combination, could significantly affect the overall estimation of fair value of the reporting unit.

The Company determined that there were no indicators of impairment to goodwill in 2023.

#### Acquisitions

In a business combination or asset acquisition, all assets acquired and liabilities assumed are measured at fair value as of the acquisition date.

## Allocation of Purchase Consideration

In a business combination, the Company measures the assets acquired, liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interests of the acquiree at their acquisition date fair values, with the excess of purchase consideration over the fair value of net assets acquired and the fair value of any previously held interest in the acquiree, recognized as goodwill. In an asset acquisition, the Company allocates the purchase consideration to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based upon their relative fair values, which does not give rise to goodwill.

The estimation of fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed involves significant judgment and assumptions. Acquired assets are generally composed of real estate, lease right-of-use ("ROU") asset, lease-related intangibles, equity interests in managed investment vehicles and investment management related intangibles such as investment management contracts and investor relationships, and other identifiable intangibles such as customer contracts, customer relationships and trade names. The Company generally values real estate relationships. Equity interests in managed investment vehicles are valued based upon their replacement cost for buildings (in an as-vacant state), improvements and data center infrastructure, and based upon comparable sales or current listings for land. Lease ROU assets are measured based upon future lease payments over the lease term, adjusted for any lease incentives and capitalized direct leasing costs, and discounted at the incremental borrowing rate, latest net asset value. Identifiable intangible assets such as lease management contracts and management contracts, investor relationships are typically valued using the income approach based upon net cash flows expected to be generated by the assets, discounted to present value. Estimates applied include, but are not limited to: (i) construction costs for buildings and improvements; (ii) cost per kilowatt and costs of design, engineering, construction and installation for data center infrastructure; and (iii) for intangible assets, expected future cash flows, reinvestment rates by existing investors in our investment management business, lease renewal rates, customer attrition rates, and discount rates, and useful lives, rates. These estimates are based upon assumptions that management believes a market participant would apply in valuing the assets. These estimates and assumptions are forward-looking and are subject to uncertainties in future economic, market and industry conditions.

Refer to Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report for additional discussion of the methodology and inputs applied in estimating fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

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## Consolidation

The determination of whether the Company has a controlling financial interest and therefore consolidates an entity can significantly affect presentation in the consolidated financial statements.

A consolidation assessment at the onset of the Company's initial investment in or other involvement with an entity as well as reassessments on an ongoing basis, may involve significant judgement, more so if an entity is determined to be a variable interest entity ("VIE"). A VIE is consolidated by its primary beneficiary, which is defined as the party who has a controlling financial interest in the VIE through (a) power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly affect the VIE's economic performance, and (b) obligation to absorb losses or right to receive benefits of the VIE that could be significant to the VIE. This assessment may involve subjectivity in the determination of which activities most significantly affect the VIE's performance, and estimates about current and future fair value of the assets held by the VIE and financial performance of the VIE. In assessing its interests in the VIE, the Company also considers interests held by its related parties, including de facto agents. Additionally, the Company assesses whether it is a member of a related party group that collectively meets the power and benefits criteria and, if so, whether the Company is most closely associated with the VIE. In performing the related party analysis, the Company considers both qualitative and quantitative factors, including, but not limited to: the characteristics and size of its investment relative to the related party; the Company's and the related party's ability to control or significantly influence key decisions of the VIE including consideration of involvement by de facto agents; the obligation or likelihood for the Company or the related party to fund operating losses of the VIE; and the similarity and significance of the VIE's business activities to those of the Company and the related party. The determination of whether an entity is a VIE, and whether the Company is the primary beneficiary, depends upon facts and circumstances specific to an entity at the time of the assessment, and could change over time.

Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 Discussion of this Annual Report discusses i) the Company's involvement in various types of entities that are considered to be VIEs and whether the Company is determined to be the primary beneficiary, beneficiary, and ii) entities deconsolidated during 2023 are included in Note 15 and Note 9, respectively, to the consolidated financial statements in Item 15 of this Annual Report.

## Recent Accounting Updates

The effects of accounting standards adopted in 2022 2023 and the potential effects of accounting standards to be adopted in the future are described in Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements in Item 15. "Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules" of this Annual Report.

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk. Risk. Risk

Market risk represents the risk of financial loss from adverse movement in market prices. The primary sources of market risk are interest rates, foreign currency rates, commodity equity prices and equity commodity prices.

Our business is exposed primarily to interest rate risk on variable rate interest bearing instruments, foreign currency risk on non-U.S. business in the Operating segment and foreign denominated warehoused investments, the effect of market risk on our fee income revenue and net carried interest allocation, foreign currency risk on non-U.S. investment management business and foreign denominated warehoused investments (if any), interest rate risk on our VFN and other variable rate debt financing warehoused investments (if any), and, equity price risk on marketable equity securities of consolidated investment vehicles.

## Market Risk Effect on Fee Revenue and commodity price risk Net Carried Interest Allocation

**Management Fees**—To the extent management fees are based upon fair value of the underlying investments of our managed investment vehicles, an increase or decrease in connection fair value will directly affect our management fee revenue. Generally, our management fee revenue is calculated based upon investors' committed capital during the commitment period of the vehicle, and thereafter, contributed or invested capital during the investing and liquidating periods, or invested capital from inception for Credit and co-

investment vehicles. To a lesser extent, management fees are based upon the NAV of vehicles in our Liquid Strategies or GAV for certain InfraBridge vehicles, measured at fair value. At December 31, 2023, vehicles with NAV or GAV fee basis make up 5% of our \$33 billion FEEUM. Accordingly, most of our management fee revenue will not be directly affected by changes in investment fair values.

**Principal Investment Income (Loss)**—This is our share of income (loss) from equity interests in our sponsored funds, which in turn is largely driven by fair value changes in the Operating segment, underlying investments of the funds.

A hypothetical 10% decline in the fair value of fund investments at December 31, 2023 would decrease the OP's share of principal investment income by approximately \$110 million.

**Incentive Fees and Carried Interest**—Incentive fees and carried interest, net of management allocations, are earned based upon the financial performance of a vehicle above a specified return threshold, which is largely driven by appreciation in value of underlying investments. The following discussion excludes amount of carried interest allocation recognized is based upon the

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cumulative performance of the fund if it were liquidated as of the reporting date. Carried interest is subject to reversal until such time it is distributed. The extent of the effect of market fair value changes to the amount of incentive fees and carried interest earned will depend upon the cumulative performance of an investment vehicle relative to its return threshold, the performance measurement period used to calculate incentives and carried interest, and the stage of the vehicle's lifecycle.

A hypothetical 10% decline in the fair value of fund investments at December 31, 2023 would decrease carried interest by approximately \$74 million, representing OP share of carried interest net of allocations to employees, former employees and Wafra. In the same scenario, generally no incentive fees would be realized.

## Foreign Currency Risk

As of December 31, 2023, we have limited direct foreign currency exposure from our foreign operations and foreign currency denominated investments warehoused on the balance sheet for future sponsored vehicles. Changes in foreign currency rates can adversely affect earnings and the value of our foreign currency denominated investments, including investments in our foreign subsidiaries.

We have exposure to foreign currency risk from the operations of our foreign subsidiaries to the extent these subsidiaries do not transact in U.S. dollars. Generally, this is limited to our recently acquired InfraBridge advisor subsidiary which receives fee revenue predominantly in U.S. dollars but incur operating costs in Pound Sterling ("GBP").

We may have foreign currency denominated investments held by our U.S. subsidiaries that are temporarily warehoused on assets and corresponding liabilities that were held for disposition the balance sheet. At December 31, 2023, our foreign currency exposure is limited to only one AUD equity investment (cost of investment at December 31, 2022, AUD 35 million). Based upon book value of the investment (which is lower than cost), a hypothetical 100 basis point decline in the AUD/USD rate at December 31, 2023 would have an immaterial effect on earnings.

## Interest Rate Risk

Instruments bearing variable interest rates include our debt obligations, which are subject to interest rate fluctuations that will affect future cash flows, specifically interest expense.

**Variable Rate Debt**—Our corporate debt exposure to variable interest rates is limited to our VFN revolver, which had no outstanding amounts amount as of December 31, 2022. Our investment level financing, which totals \$4.6 billion, consists primarily of fixed rate securitized notes issued by subsidiaries in our Operating segment, Vantage SDC and DataBank. Of this amount, \$1 billion or 21% is composed of variable rate debt at December 31, 2022. Our investment level variable rate debt is indexed to either 1-month LIBOR or Term SOFR. As the subsidiaries in our Operating segment are substantially owned by third party investors, the resulting increase in interest expense from higher interest rates will be attributed predominantly to noncontrolling interests, with a minimal share of that effect attributed to DBRG. Based upon the outstanding principal on our investment level variable rate debt at December 31, 2022, a hypothetical 100 basis point increase in interest rates would increase annualized interest expense by \$9.9 million on a consolidated basis or \$1.1 million after attribution to noncontrolling interests.

## Foreign Currency Risk

As of December 31, 2022, we have limited direct foreign currency exposure from our foreign operations in the Operating segment and foreign currency denominated investments warehoused on the balance sheet for future sponsored vehicles. Changes in foreign currency rates can adversely affect earnings and the value of our foreign currency denominated investments, including investments in our foreign subsidiaries.

We have exposure to foreign currency risk from the operations of our foreign subsidiaries to the extent these subsidiaries do not transact in U.S. dollars. This applies to our foreign subsidiaries that operate six colocation data centers in the U.K. and France. For the substantial majority of our subsidiaries in Canada that operate our hyperscale data centers, the U.S. dollar is largely used as the transactional currency, in which case, there is generally very limited foreign currency exposure. The remaining foreign subsidiaries in our colocation data center business that do not transact in U.S. dollars make up only a small percentage of our overall Operating segment, which in turn is substantially owned by third party investors. Accordingly, our exposure to foreign currency risk from the operations of our foreign subsidiaries is limited as of December 31, 2022.

Our foreign currency denominated investments, which are temporarily warehoused on the balance sheet, are held by our U.S. subsidiaries. At December 31, 2022, our foreign currency exposure is limited to only one AUD equity investment (A\$35 million).

## Market Risk Effect on Fee Income and Net Carried Interest Allocation

**Management Fees**—To the extent management fees are based upon fair value of the underlying investments of our managed investment vehicles, an increase or decrease in fair value will directly affect our management fee income. Generally, our management fee income is calculated based upon investors' committed capital during the commitment period of the vehicle, and thereafter, contributed or invested capital during the investing and liquidating periods. To a lesser extent, management fees are based upon the net asset value of vehicles in our Liquid Strategies, measured at fair value. At December 31, 2022, our Liquid Strategies make up 5.0% of our \$22 billion FEEUM. Accordingly, most of our management fee income will not be directly affected by changes in investment fair values.

**Incentive Fees and Carried Interest**—Incentive fees and carried interest, net of management allocations, are earned based upon the financial performance of a vehicle above a specified return threshold, which is largely driven by appreciation in value of underlying investments. Carried interest is subject to reversal until such time it is realized, which generally occurs upon disposition of all underlying investments of an investment vehicle, or in part with each disposition. The extent of the effect of fair value changes to the amount of incentive fees and carried interest earned will depend upon the cumulative performance of an investment vehicle relative to its return threshold, the performance measurement period used to calculate incentives and carried interest, and the stage of the vehicle's lifecycle. Investment fair values in turn could be affected by various factors, including but not limited to, the financial performance of the portfolio company, economic conditions, foreign exchange rates, comparable transactions in the market, and equity prices for publicly traded securities. Therefore, fair value changes are unpredictable and the effect on incentive fee and carried interest varies across different investment vehicles.

#### Equity Price Risk

At **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**, we had **\$156 million** **\$84 million** of long positions and **\$41 million** **\$38 million** of short positions in marketable equity securities, held predominantly by our consolidated sponsored liquid funds. Realized and unrealized gains and losses from marketable equity securities are recorded in other gain (loss) on the consolidated statement of operations. Market prices for publicly traded equity securities may fluctuate due to a myriad of factors, including but not limited to, financial performance of the investee, industry conditions, economic and political environment, trade volume, and general sentiments in the equity markets. Therefore the level of volatility and price fluctuations are unpredictable. Our funds constantly rebalance their investment portfolio to take advantage of market opportunities and to manage risk. Additionally, one of our funds employs a long/short equity strategy, taking long positions that serve as collateral for short positions, which in combination, reduces its market risk exposure. The effect of equity price decreases to earnings attributable to our **shareholders** **stockholders** is further reduced as our consolidated liquid funds are **substantially** **largely** owned by third party capital, which represent noncontrolling interests.

#### Commodity Price Risk

Certain operating costs in our data center portfolio are subject to price fluctuations caused by volatility of underlying commodity prices, primarily electricity used in our data center operations. We closely monitor the cost of electricity at all of our locations and may enter into power utility contracts to purchase electricity at fixed prices in certain locations in the U.S., with such contracts generally representing less than our forecasted usage. Our building of new data centers and expansion of existing data centers will also subject us to commodity price risk with respect to building materials such as steel and copper. Additionally, the lead time to procure data center equipment is substantial and procurement delays could increase construction cost and delay revenue generation.

#### Item 8. Financial Statements.

The financial statements required by this item **appear** **is included** in Item 15. "Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules" of this Annual Report.

#### Supplementary Financial Information.

##### **Selected Quarterly Financial Information (Unaudited)**

All quarterly periods reflect a reclassification of the operating results of the two portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment to discontinued operations.

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For the three months ended	2023				2022			
	Dec-31	Sep-30	Jun-30	Mar-31	Dec-31	Sep-30	Jun-30	Mar-31
(In thousands, except per share data)								
<b>Statements of Operations Data:</b>								
Total revenues	\$ 350,310	\$ 262,703	\$ 189,874	\$ 18,496	\$ 271,049	\$ 204,465	\$ 188,945	\$ 30,312
Income (loss) from continuing operations	144,777	359,628	42,954	(181,736)	35,361	61,515	19,622	(176,311)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(33,529)	(80,851)	(95,470)	(110,608)	(72,606)	(182,502)	(87,703)	(167,373)
Net income (loss)	111,248	278,777	(52,516)	(292,344)	(37,245)	(120,987)	(68,081)	(343,684)
Net income (loss) attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	115,267	276,473	(8,663)	(197,797)	(4,590)	(49,088)	(21,562)	(246,557)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	100,607	261,828	(22,411)	(212,473)	(19,356)	(63,273)	(37,321)	(262,316)
<b>Per Share Data:</b>								
Income (loss) from continuing operations per share:								
Basic	\$ 0.67	\$ 1.67	\$ (0.06)	\$ (1.20)	\$ (0.16)	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.13)	\$ (1.27)
Diluted	0.63	1.58	(0.06)	(1.20)	(0.16)	0.15	(0.13)	(1.27)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations per share:								
Basic	(0.06)	(0.07)	(0.08)	(0.15)	0.04	(0.55)	(0.11)	(0.57)
Diluted	(0.05)	(0.07)	(0.08)	(0.15)	0.04	(0.52)	(0.11)	(0.57)

Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders								
per share:								
Basic	0.61	1.60	(0.14)	(1.35)	(0.12)	(0.39)	(0.24)	(1.84)
Diluted	0.58	1.51	(0.14)	(1.35)	(0.12)	(0.37)	(0.24)	(1.84)
Dividends per common share <sup>(1)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	—	—

(1) The Company reinstated quarterly common stock dividends at \$0.01 per share beginning the third quarter of 2022, having previously suspended common stock dividends from the second quarter of 2020 through the second quarter of 2022.

## Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.

## Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Exchange Act) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time period specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives.

As required by Rule 13a-15(b) of the Exchange Act, we have evaluated, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon our evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**.

### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023** that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

As of December 31, 2023, our evaluation is ongoing for InfraBridge, which was acquired in February 2023.

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## Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting (as defined in 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act). Our internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and directors; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of assets that could have a material effect on our financial statements.

Management evaluated the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting using the criteria set forth in the *Internal Control—Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). As permitted by the SEC, management has elected to exclude InfraBridge, which was acquired in February 2023, from its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. As of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, InfraBridge represented 12.1% of assets, 3.2% of liabilities and 6.3% of revenues. Based on our evaluation, except for InfraBridge, management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**. We are in the process of integrating InfraBridge into our process of internal control over financial reporting.

Our internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance to management and our board of directors regarding the preparation and fair presentation of published financial statements. All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has audited the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**, as stated in their attestation report, which is included herein.

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## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

### Opinion on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We have audited DigitalBridge Group, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2022 2023, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO criteria). In our opinion, DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (the Company) maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2022 2023, based on the COSO criteria.

As indicated in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, management's assessment of and conclusion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting did not include the internal controls of InfraBridge, which is included in the 2023 consolidated financial statements of the Company and comprised 12.1% of total assets and 3.2% of total liabilities as of December 31, 2023, and 6.3% of total revenues for the year then ended. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of the Company also did not include an evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting of InfraBridge.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated balance sheets of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. as of December 31, 2022 2023 and 2021 2022, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2022 2023, and the related notes, and financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15, and our report dated February 27, 2023 February 23, 2024 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

### Basis for Opinion

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Los Angeles, California

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### Item 9B. Other Information.

#### None. Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plans

During the quarter ended December 31, 2023, none of the Company's directors or executive officers adopted or terminated any contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of Company securities that was intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c) or any "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement."

### Item 9C. Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdictions that Prevent Inspections.

Not applicable.

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### PART III

#### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

The information required by Item 10 is hereby incorporated by reference to the definitive proxy statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A within 120 days after our fiscal year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**.

#### Item 11. Executive Compensation.

The information required by Item 11 is hereby incorporated by reference to the definitive proxy statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A within 120 days after our fiscal year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**.

#### Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

The information required by Item 12 is hereby incorporated by reference to the definitive proxy statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A within 120 days after our fiscal year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**.

#### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

The information required by Item 13 is hereby incorporated by reference to the definitive proxy statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A within 120 days after our fiscal year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**.

#### Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

The information required by Item 14 is hereby incorporated by reference to the definitive proxy statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A within 120 days after our fiscal year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023**.

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### PART IV

#### Item 15. Exhibits and Financial **Statement Schedules**. **Statements**.

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All other schedules are omitted because they are not applicable, or the required information is included in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

(a)(3) Exhibits

The Exhibit Index attached hereto is incorporated by reference under this item.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, December 31, 2023 and 2022, and 2021, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2022December 31, 2023, and the related notes and financial statements schedule listed in the Index at Item 15 (collectively referred to as the “consolidated financial statements”). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, December 31, 2023 and 2022, and 2021, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2022December 31, 2023, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of **December 31, 2022****December 31, 2023**, based on criteria established in Internal **Control—Integrated****Control-Integrated** Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) and our report dated **February 27, 2023****February 23, 2024**, expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

**Basis for Opinion**

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

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**Critical Audit Matter**

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of the critical audit matter does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

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Asset acquisitions—recognition of acquired assets		
Description of the Matter	As more fully discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, during the year ended December 31, 2022At December 31, 2023, the Company completed carrying value of the acquisition Company's investments totaled \$2.5 billion, including principal investments in Company-sponsored funds of real estate \$1.2 billion and related intangible assets for total consideration carried interest allocation of approximately \$1.7 billion \$676.4 million. As explained discussed further in Notes 2 and 3 4 to the consolidated financial statements, the transactions were accounted for underlying investments of the Company's sponsored investment vehicles ("underlying investments") are reported at fair value as asset acquisitions, determined by management by applying the valuation techniques and as such, using the total consideration was allocated significant unobservable inputs described therein, and the Company's unrealized carried interest allocation is driven primarily by changes in fair value of the underlying investments. Fair value of the underlying investments is typically estimated using unobservable inputs and assumptions that involve significant judgement including, but not limited to, the acquired assets and liabilities based upon their relative fair values.	Auditing the Company's accounting for the acquisitions was complex due to the significant estimation required by management in estimating the relative fair values financial performance of the acquired tangible portfolio company, economic conditions, foreign exchange rates, comparable transactions in the market, and intangible assets. The significant estimation was primarily due to the judgmental nature equity prices for publicly traded securities.  Auditing management's determination of the inputs to the valuation models used to

measure the fair value of the tangible and intangible assets as well as the sensitivity of the respective fair values underlying investments that contribute to the underlying Company's unrealized carried interest allocation which are valued using significant unobservable inputs or assumptions. The Company utilized the income approach (discounted cash flow method), sales comparison approach, is complex and cost approach to estimate the fair value of the acquired tangible and intangible assets. The determination of the relative fair value of the acquired tangible assets involved involves a higher high degree of auditor subjectivity due to address the lack of availability of directly comparable market information, while the determination of the relative fair value of the acquired intangible assets involved a higher degree of subjectivity due to the use of market assumptions that are forward looking and could be affected by future economic or market conditions. estimation uncertainty.

*How We Addressed the Matter in Our* We obtained an understanding, evaluated the design, and tested the operating effectiveness of controls over the Company's process for allocating total consideration to the acquired tangible and intangible assets, recognition of carried interest allocation, including

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controls over the Company's investment valuation process for the underlying investments. This included management's review controls over the assessment of the valuation techniques and significant unobservable inputs used to estimate the fair value of the underlying investments and management's evaluation of the completeness and accuracy of the data used in the valuations of the underlying investments.

Our audit procedures included, among others, evaluating changes in fair value of the underlying investments to determine which investments contributed to the Company's unrealized carried interest allocation, testing the mathematical accuracy of the distribution waterfalls used to determine the Company's share of income or loss from the underlying funds and agreeing data used in the waterfall calculations to the funds' accounting records.

For a sample of underlying investments where an increase in fair value contributed to the Company's unrealized carried interest allocation, we performed procedures to evaluate the appropriateness of the methodology and key inputs and assumptions used in the fair value analysis and accuracy of valuation, including, but not limited to, performing sensitivities on the underlying data used. For example, we tested controls over the determination of the fair value of acquired tangible and intangible assets, including controls over the review of the valuation models and underlying inputs or assumptions used to develop such estimates.

To test the fair values of acquired tangible and intangible assets used in the purchase price allocation, we performed audit procedures that included, among others, valuation, comparing key inputs and assumptions used in the valuations to source documents or market data, and evaluating the valuation methods and significant assumptions used by management, evaluating the sensitivity existence of changes in inputs corroborating or assumptions contrary evidence obtained through other audit procedures. Our procedures varied based on the relative fair values nature of the acquired assets, testing the completeness and accuracy of the underlying data supporting the determination of the various inputs, and testing its clerical accuracy, each investment selected for testing. For a sample of acquired assets, certain investments, we involved our internal valuation specialists to assist in evaluating the methodologies used by the Company, performed procedures perform corroborative analyses to assess whether the reasonableness of key assumptions used in the significant inputs or assumptions utilized in developing valuation and the estimated fair value estimates, and performed comparative calculations to assess the reasonableness of the allocations to the acquired assets. values were supported by observable market data.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2009.

Los Angeles, California

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### DigitalBridge Group, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands, except per share data)

		December 31,	
		December 31, 2022	2021
		December 31, 2023	December 31, 2023
		December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Assets	Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 918,254	\$ 1,602,102
Cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and cash equivalents			
Restricted cash	Restricted cash	118,485	99,121
Real estate, net		5,921,298	4,972,284
Equity and debt investments (\$506,081 and \$201,912 at fair value)		1,322,050	935,153
Loans receivable (at fair value)		137,945	173,921
Investments (\$572,749 and \$421,393 at fair value)			
Goodwill	Goodwill	761,368	761,368
Deferred leasing costs and intangible assets, net		1,092,167	1,187,627

Other assets (\$11,793 and \$944 at fair value)		654,050	740,395
Intangible assets			
Other assets (\$0 and \$11,793 at fair value)			
Other assets (\$0 and \$11,793 at fair value)			
Other assets (\$0 and \$11,793 at fair value)			
Due from affiliates	Due from affiliates	45,360	49,230
Assets held for disposition		57,526	3,676,615
Assets of discontinued operations			
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 11,028,503</b>	<b>\$ 14,197,816</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Liabilities</b>		
Debt, net		\$ 5,156,140	\$ 4,860,402
Accrued and other liabilities (\$183,628 and \$37,970 at fair value)		1,272,096	943,801
Intangible liabilities, net		29,824	33,301
Debt			
Debt			
Debt			
Liabilities related to assets held for disposition		380	3,088,699
Other liabilities (\$124,019 and \$183,628 at fair value)			
Other liabilities (\$124,019 and \$183,628 at fair value)			
Other liabilities (\$124,019 and \$183,628 at fair value)			
Liabilities of discontinued operations			
Liabilities of discontinued operations			
Liabilities of discontinued operations			
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>6,458,440</b>	<b>8,926,203</b>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 19)			
Commitments and contingencies (Note 18)		Commitments and contingencies (Note 18)	
<b>Redeemable noncontrolling interests</b>	<b>Redeemable noncontrolling interests</b>	100,574	359,223
<b>Equity</b>	<b>Equity</b>		
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share; \$827,779 and \$883,500 liquidation preference; 250,000 shares authorized; 33,111 and 35,340 shares issued and outstanding		800,355	854,232
Common stock, \$0.04 par value per share			
Class A, 949,000 shares authorized; 159,763 and 142,144 shares issued and outstanding		6,390	5,685
Class B, 1,000 shares authorized; 166 shares issued and outstanding		7	7
Stockholders' equity:			
Stockholders' equity:			



Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share; \$821,899 and \$827,779 liquidation preference; 250,000 shares authorized; 32,876 and 33,111 shares issued and outstanding

Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share; \$821,899 and \$827,779 liquidation preference; 250,000 shares authorized; 32,876 and 33,111 shares issued and outstanding

Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share; \$821,899 and \$827,779 liquidation preference; 250,000 shares authorized; 32,876 and 33,111 shares issued and outstanding

Common stock,  
\$0.01 and  
\$0.04 par value  
per share

Class A, 237,250 shares authorized; 163,209 and 159,763 shares issued and outstanding

Class A, 237,250 shares authorized; 163,209 and 159,763 shares issued and outstanding

Class A, 237,250 shares authorized; 163,209 and 159,763 shares issued and outstanding

Class B, 250  
shares  
authorized;  
166 shares  
issued and  
outstanding

Additional paid-in capital	Additional paid-in capital	7,818,068	7,820,807
Accumulated deficit	Accumulated deficit	(6,962,613)	(6,576,180)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(1,509)	42,383
Total stockholders' equity	Total stockholders' equity	1,660,698	2,146,934
Noncontrolling interests in investment entities	Noncontrolling interests in investment entities	2,743,896	2,653,173
Noncontrolling interests in Operating Company	Noncontrolling interests in Operating Company	64,895	112,283
Total equity	Total equity	4,469,489	4,912,390
Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and equity	Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and equity	\$ 11,028,503	\$14,197,816

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**DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
**(In thousands, except per share data)**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
<b>Revenues</b>			
Property operating income	\$ 927,506	\$ 762,750	\$ 312,928
Fee income (\$167,733, \$170,929 and \$83,294 from affiliates)	172,673	180,826	83,355
Interest income	30,107	8,791	7,206
Other income (\$4,337, \$10,185 and \$8,828 from affiliates)	14,286	13,432	12,941
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>1,144,572</b>	<b>965,799</b>	<b>416,430</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Property operating expense	389,445	316,178	119,834
Interest expense	198,498	186,949	120,829
Investment expense	33,887	28,257	13,551
Transaction-related costs	10,129	5,781	5,282
Depreciation and amortization	576,911	539,695	241,020
Impairment loss	—	—	25,079
Compensation expense—cash and equity-based	245,257	235,985	176,152
Compensation expense—incentive fee and carried interest	202,286	65,890	1,906
Administrative expenses	123,184	109,490	78,766
Settlement loss	—	—	5,090
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>1,779,597</b>	<b>1,488,225</b>	<b>787,509</b>
<b>Other income (loss)</b>			
Other losses, net	(170,555)	(21,412)	(6,493)
Equity method earnings (losses)	19,412	127,270	(273,288)
Equity method earnings—carried interest	378,342	99,207	12,709
<b>Loss from continuing operations before income taxes</b>	<b>(407,826)</b>	<b>(317,361)</b>	<b>(638,151)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(13,467)	100,538	47,063
<b>Loss from continuing operations</b>	<b>(421,293)</b>	<b>(216,823)</b>	<b>(591,088)</b>
Loss from discontinued operations	(148,704)	(600,088)	(3,199,322)
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>(569,997)</b>	<b>(816,911)</b>	<b>(3,790,410)</b>
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	(26,778)	34,677	616
Investment entities	(189,053)	(500,980)	(812,547)
Operating Company	(32,369)	(40,511)	(302,720)
<b>Net loss attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>(321,797)</b>	<b>(310,097)</b>	<b>(2,675,759)</b>
Preferred stock repurchases/redemptions (Note 9)	(1,098)	4,992	—
Preferred stock dividends	61,567	70,627	75,023
<b>Net loss attributable to common stockholders</b>	<b>\$ (382,266)</b>	<b>\$ (385,716)</b>	<b>\$ (2,750,782)</b>
<b>Loss per share—basic</b>			
Loss from continuing operations per common share—basic	\$ (1.76)	\$ (1.21)	\$ (4.33)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders per common share—basic	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)	\$ (23.25)
<b>Loss per share—diluted</b>			
Loss from continuing operations per common share—diluted	\$ (1.76)	\$ (1.21)	\$ (4.33)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders per common share—diluted	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)	\$ (23.25)
<b>Weighted average number of shares</b>			
Basic	154,495	122,864	118,389
Diluted	154,495	122,864	118,389

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
<b>Revenues</b>			

Fee revenue (\$254,429, \$167,733 and \$170,929 from affiliates)	\$ 264,117	\$ 172,673	\$ 180,826
Carried interest allocation	363,075	378,342	99,207
Principal investment income	145,448	56,731	86,023
Other income (\$10,400, \$4,337 and \$10,185 from affiliates)	48,743	87,025	21,774
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>821,383</b>	<b>694,771</b>	<b>387,830</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Interest expense	24,540	42,926	63,244
Investment-related expense	3,155	23,219	7,168
Transaction-related costs	10,823	10,129	5,515
Depreciation and amortization	36,651	44,271	44,353
Compensation expense—cash and equity-based	206,892	154,752	159,772
Compensation expense—incentive fee and carried interest allocation	186,030	202,286	65,890
Administrative expense	83,782	94,122	77,768
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>551,873</b>	<b>571,705</b>	<b>423,710</b>
<b>Other income (loss)</b>			
Other gain (loss), net	96,119	(169,747)	(20,119)
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes</b>	<b>365,629</b>	<b>(46,681)</b>	<b>(55,999)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(6)	(13,132)	21,463
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations</b>	<b>365,623</b>	<b>(59,813)</b>	<b>(34,536)</b>
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(320,458)	(510,184)	(782,375)
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>45,165</b>	<b>(569,997)</b>	<b>(816,911)</b>
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	6,503	(26,778)	34,677
Investment entities	(155,756)	(189,053)	(500,980)
Operating Company	9,138	(32,369)	(40,511)
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>185,280</b>	<b>(321,797)</b>	<b>(310,097)</b>
Preferred stock dividends	58,656	61,567	70,627
Preferred stock repurchases	(927)	(1,098)	4,992
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders</b>	<b>\$ 127,551</b>	<b>\$ (382,266)</b>	<b>\$ (385,716)</b>
<b>Income (loss) per share—basic</b>			
Income (loss) from continuing operations per common share—basic	\$ 1.13	\$ (1.23)	\$ (1.27)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders per common share—basic	\$ 0.78	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)
<b>Income (loss) per share—diluted</b>			
Income (Loss) from continuing operations per common share—diluted	\$ 1.10	\$ (1.23)	\$ (1.27)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders per common share—diluted	\$ 0.77	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)
<b>Weighted average number of shares</b>			
Basic	159,868	154,495	122,864
Diluted	169,720	154,495	122,864
<b>Dividends declared per common share</b>	<b>\$ 0.04</b>	<b>\$ 0.02</b>	<b>\$ —</b>

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**DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)**  
(In thousands)

Year Ended December 31,		
2022	2021	2020

Net loss		\$ (569,997)	\$ (816,911)	\$ (3,790,410)
		Year Ended December 31,		
		2023	2022	2021
Net income (loss)				
Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to:	Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to:			
Equity method investments	Equity method investments	(2,867)	(17,048)	9,292
Equity method investments				
Equity method investments				
Available-for-sale debt securities	Available-for-sale debt securities	(6,373)	(331)	(1,964)
Foreign currency translation				
Cash flow hedges	Cash flow hedges	—	1,285	(30)
Foreign currency translation		(44,232)	(94,560)	160,008
Net investment hedges	Net investment hedges	(8,368)	(57,291)	21,001
Other comprehensive income (loss)	Other comprehensive income (loss)	(61,840)	(167,945)	188,307
Comprehensive loss		(631,837)	(984,856)	(3,602,103)
Comprehensive income (loss)				
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests:	Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Redeemable noncontrolling interests				
Redeemable noncontrolling interests				
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	Redeemable noncontrolling interests	(26,778)	34,677	616
Investment entities	Investment entities	(203,125)	(581,540)	(706,374)
Operating Company	Operating Company	(36,116)	(48,783)	(294,577)
Comprehensive loss attributable to stockholders		<u>\$ (365,818)</u>	<u>\$ (389,210)</u>	<u>\$ (2,601,768)</u>
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to stockholders				

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**DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Equity**  
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities	Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company	Total Equity
<b>Balance at December 31, 2019</b>	\$ 999,490	\$ 4,878	\$ 7,553,599	\$ (3,389,592)	\$ 47,668	\$ 5,216,043	\$ 3,254,188	\$ 456,184	\$ 8,926,415
Cumulative effect of adoption of new accounting guidance (Note 2)	—	—	—	(3,187)	—	(3,187)	(1,577)	(349)	(5,113)
Net loss	—	—	—	(2,675,759)	—	(2,675,759)	(812,547)	(302,720)	(3,791,026)
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	73,991	73,991	106,173	8,143	188,307
Fair value of noncontrolling interests assumed in acquisitions	—	—	—	—	—	—	366,136	—	366,136
Deconsolidation of investment entities (Note 20)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(80,921)	—	(80,921)
Common stock repurchases	—	(127)	(24,622)	—	—	(24,749)	—	—	(24,749)
Redemption of OP Units for common stock	—	22	7,735	—	—	7,757	—	(7,757)	—
Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures	—	96	35,265	—	—	35,361	1,172	2,673	39,206
Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested equity awards	—	(28)	(7,721)	—	—	(7,749)	—	—	(7,749)
Costs of noncontrolling interests	—	—	(6,707)	—	—	(6,707)	—	—	(6,707)
Warrant issuance (Note 10)	—	—	20,240	—	—	20,240	—	—	20,240
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,832,740	—	1,832,740
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	(339,414)	(5,857)	(345,271)
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	(74,064)	—	(74,064)	—	—	(74,064)
Common stock dividends declared (\$0.44 per share)	—	—	—	(52,854)	—	(52,854)	—	—	(52,854)
Reallocation of equity (Note 2 and 10)	—	—	(7,316)	—	464	(6,852)	1,422	5,430	—
<b>Balance at December 31, 2020</b>	<u>\$ 999,490</u>	<u>\$ 4,841</u>	<u>\$ 7,570,473</u>	<u>\$ (6,195,456)</u>	<u>\$ 122,123</u>	<u>\$ 2,501,471</u>	<u>\$ 4,327,372</u>	<u>\$ 155,747</u>	<u>\$ 6,984,590</u>

	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities	Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company	Total Equity
<b>Balance at December 31, 2020</b>	\$ 999,490	\$ 4,841	\$ 7,570,473	\$ (6,195,456)	\$ 122,123	\$ 2,501,471	\$ 4,327,372	\$ 155,747	\$ 6,984,590
Net income (loss)	—	—	—	(310,097)	—	(310,097)	(500,980)	(40,511)	(851,588)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	—	(79,113)	(79,113)	(80,560)	(8,272)	(167,945)
Redemption of preferred stock (Note 8)	(145,258)	—	(4,992)	—	—	(150,250)	—	—	(150,250)
Exchange of notes for common stock	—	734	181,473	—	—	182,207	—	—	182,207
Shares issued pursuant to settlement liability	—	60	46,982	—	—	47,042	—	—	47,042
Deconsolidation of investment entities (Note 2)	—	—	1,956	—	(1,482)	474	(1,080,134)	—	(1,079,660)
Redemption of OP Units for class A common stock	—	20	4,627	—	—	4,647	—	(4,647)	—
Equity-based compensation	—	66	51,224	—	—	51,290	2,841	3,898	58,029
Shares canceled for tax withholdings on vested equity awards	—	(29)	(19,331)	—	—	(19,360)	—	—	(19,360)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	202,471	—	202,471
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	(222,519)	—	(222,519)
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	(70,627)	—	(70,627)	—	—	(70,627)
Reallocation of equity (Notes 2 and 9)	—	—	(11,605)	—	855	(10,750)	4,682	6,068	—
<b>Balance at December 31, 2021</b>	<u>854,232</u>	<u>5,692</u>	<u>7,820,807</u>	<u>(6,576,180)</u>	<u>42,383</u>	<u>2,146,934</u>	<u>2,653,173</u>	<u>112,283</u>	<u>4,912,390</u>

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	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid- in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities	Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company	Total Equity
<b>Balance at December 31, 2020</b>	\$ 999,490	\$ 4,841	\$ 7,570,473	\$ (6,195,456)	\$ 122,123	\$ 2,501,471	\$ 4,327,372	\$ 155,747	\$ 6,984,590
Net loss	—	—	—	(310,097)	—	(310,097)	(500,980)	(40,511)	(851,588)
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(79,113)	(79,113)	(80,560)	(8,272)	(167,945)
Redemption of preferred stock (Note 9)	(145,258)	—	(4,992)	—	—	(150,250)	—	—	(150,250)
Exchange of notes for common stock (Note 8)	—	734	181,473	—	—	182,207	—	—	182,207
Shares issued pursuant to settlement liability (Note 11)	—	60	46,982	—	—	47,042	—	—	47,042
Deconsolidation of investment entities (Note 20)	—	—	1,956	—	(1,482)	474	(1,080,134)	—	(1,079,660)
Redemption of OP Units for common stock	—	20	4,627	—	—	4,647	—	(4,647)	—
Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures	—	66	51,224	—	—	51,290	2,841	3,898	58,029
Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested equity awards	—	(29)	(19,331)	—	—	(19,360)	—	—	(19,360)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	202,471	—	202,471
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	(222,519)	—	(222,519)
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	(70,627)	—	(70,627)	—	—	(70,627)
Reallocation of equity (Notes 2 and 10)	—	—	(11,605)	—	855	(10,750)	4,682	6,068	—
<b>Balance at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 854,232</b>	<b>\$ 5,692</b>	<b>\$ 7,820,807</b>	<b>\$ (6,576,180)</b>	<b>\$ 42,383</b>	<b>\$ 2,146,934</b>	<b>\$ 2,653,173</b>	<b>\$ 112,283</b>	<b>\$ 4,912,390</b>

	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid- in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities	Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company	Total Equity
<b>Balance at December 31, 2021</b>	\$ 854,232	\$ 5,692	\$ 7,820,807	\$ (6,576,180)	\$ 42,383	\$ 2,146,934	\$ 2,653,173	\$ 112,283	\$ 4,912,390
Net income (loss)	—	—	—	(321,797)	—	(321,797)	(189,053)	(32,369)	(543,219)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	—	(44,021)	(44,021)	(14,072)	(3,747)	(61,840)
Stock repurchases	(53,877)	(168)	(53,740)	—	—	(107,785)	—	—	(107,785)
Cost of DataBank recapitalization	—	—	(13,122)	—	—	(13,122)	(21,247)	—	(34,369)
DataBank recapitalization (Note 9)	—	—	230,238	—	—	230,238	(230,238)	—	—
Exchange of notes for common stock (Note 7)	—	256	177,562	—	—	177,818	—	—	177,818
Adjustment of redeemable noncontrolling interest and warrants to fair value (Note 9)	—	—	(725,026)	—	—	(725,026)	—	—	(725,026)
Shares issued for redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 9)	—	577	348,182	—	—	348,759	—	—	348,759
Transaction costs incurred in connection with redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest	—	—	(7,137)	—	—	(7,137)	—	—	(7,137)
Reclassification of carried interest allocated to redeemable noncontrolling interest to noncontrolling interest in investment entities (Note 9)	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,087	—	4,087
Assumption of deferred tax asset resulting from redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 9)	—	—	5,200	—	—	5,200	—	—	5,200
Deconsolidation of investment entities (Note 2)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(376,177)	—	(376,177)
Redemption of OP Units for class A common stock	—	4	337	—	—	341	—	(341)	—
Equity-based compensation	—	63	39,933	—	—	39,996	12,834	2,498	55,328



Shares canceled for tax withholdings on vested equity awards	—	(27)	(18,212)	—	—	(18,239)	—	—	(18,239)
Issuance of OP Units in connection with business combinations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acquisition from noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	(32,076)	—	(32,076)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,613,962	—	2,613,962
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,677,297)	(254)	(1,677,551)
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	(61,401)	—	(61,401)	—	—	(61,401)
Common stock dividends declared (\$0.02 per share)	—	—	—	(3,235)	—	(3,235)	—	—	(3,235)
Reallocation of equity (Notes 2 and 9)	—	—	13,046	—	129	13,175	—	(13,175)	—
<b>Balance at December 31, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 800,355</b>	<b>\$ 6,397</b>	<b>\$ 7,818,068</b>	<b>\$ (6,962,613)</b>	<b>\$ (1,509)</b>	<b>\$ 1,660,698</b>	<b>\$ 2,743,896</b>	<b>\$ 64,895</b>	<b>\$ 4,469,489</b>

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	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities	Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company	Total Equity
<b>Balance at December 31, 2021</b>	\$ 854,232	\$ 5,692	\$ 7,820,807	\$ (6,576,180)	\$ 42,383	\$ 2,146,934	\$ 2,653,173	\$ 112,283	\$ 4,912,390
Net loss	—	—	—	(321,797)	—	(321,797)	(189,053)	(32,369)	(543,219)
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(44,021)	(44,021)	(14,072)	(3,747)	(61,840)
Stock repurchases	(53,877)	(168)	(53,740)	—	—	(107,785)	—	—	(107,785)
Cost of DataBank recapitalization	—	—	(13,122)	—	—	(13,122)	(21,247)	—	(34,369)
DataBank recapitalization (Note 10)	—	—	230,238	—	—	230,238	(230,238)	—	—
Exchange of notes for common stock (Note 8)	—	256	177,562	—	—	177,818	—	—	177,818
Adjustment of redeemable noncontrolling interest and warrants to fair value (Note 10)	—	—	(725,026)	—	—	(725,026)	—	—	(725,026)
Shares issued for redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 10)	—	577	348,182	—	—	348,759	—	—	348,759
Transaction costs incurred in connection with redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest	—	—	(7,137)	—	—	(7,137)	—	—	(7,137)
Reclassification of carried interest allocated to redeemable noncontrolling interest to noncontrolling interest in investment entities (Note 10)	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,087	—	4,087
Assumption of deferred tax asset resulting from redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 10)	—	—	5,200	—	—	5,200	—	—	5,200
Deconsolidation of investment entities (Note 20)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(376,177)	—	(376,177)
Redemption of OP Units for cash and class A common stock	—	4	337	—	—	341	—	(341)	—
Equity-based compensation	—	63	39,933	—	—	39,996	12,834	2,498	55,328
Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested stock awards	—	(27)	(18,212)	—	—	(18,239)	—	—	(18,239)
Acquisition of noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	(32,076)	—	(32,076)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,613,962	—	2,613,962
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,677,297)	(254)	(1,677,551)
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	(61,401)	—	(61,401)	—	—	(61,401)
Common stock dividends declared (\$0.02 per share)	—	—	—	(3,235)	—	(3,235)	—	—	(3,235)
Reallocation of equity (Notes 2 and 10)	—	—	13,046	—	129	13,175	—	(13,175)	—
<b>Balance at December 31, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 800,355</b>	<b>\$ 6,397</b>	<b>\$ 7,818,068</b>	<b>\$ (6,962,613)</b>	<b>\$ (1,509)</b>	<b>\$ 1,660,698</b>	<b>\$ 2,743,896</b>	<b>\$ 64,895</b>	<b>\$ 4,469,489</b>

	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid- in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities	Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company	Total Equity
<b>Balance at December 31, 2022</b>	\$ 800,355	\$ 6,397	\$ 7,818,068	\$ (6,962,613)	\$ (1,509)	\$ 1,660,698	\$ 2,743,896	\$ 64,895	\$ 4,469,489
Net income (loss)	—	—	—	185,280	—	185,280	(155,756)	9,138	38,662
Other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	—	1,954	1,954	416	227	2,597
Stock repurchases (Note 8)	(5,685)	—	927	—	—	(4,758)	—	—	(4,758)
Change in common stock par value (Note 8)	—	(4,862)	4,862	—	—	—	—	—	—
DataBank recapitalization (Note 9)	—	—	(14,791)	—	—	(14,791)	33,001	—	18,210
Vantage SDC expansion capacity funded through equity, net of liability settlement (Note 9)	—	—	12,255	—	—	12,255	97,307	—	109,562
Deconsolidation of investment entities (Note 9)	—	—	—	—	965	965	(2,137,819)	—	(2,136,854)
Redemption of OP Units for cash and class A common stock	—	3	981	—	—	984	—	(984)	—
Equity-based compensation	—	122	53,343	—	—	53,465	14,010	164	67,639
Shares canceled for tax withholdings on vested stock awards	—	(26)	(18,654)	—	—	(18,680)	—	—	(18,680)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	115,781	—	115,781
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—	—	—	(104,681)	(497)	(105,178)
Preferred stock dividends	—	—	—	(58,656)	—	(58,656)	—	—	(58,656)
Common stock dividends declared (\$0.04 per share)	—	—	—	(6,513)	—	(6,513)	—	—	(6,513)
Reallocation of equity (Note 2 and Note 9)	—	—	(1,149)	—	1	(1,148)	(844)	1,992	—
<b>Balance at December 31, 2023</b>	<u>794,670</u>	<u>1,634</u>	<u>7,855,842</u>	<u>(6,842,502)</u>	<u>1,411</u>	<u>1,811,055</u>	<u>605,311</u>	<u>74,935</u>	<u>2,491,301</u>

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**DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(In thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,			
	2022	2021	2020		2023		2022	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	Cash Flows from Operating Activities							
Net loss	\$ (569,997)	\$ (816,911)	\$ (3,790,410)					
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:								
Net income (loss)								
Net income (loss)								
Net income (loss)								
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:								

Amortization of discount and net origination fees on loans receivable and debt securities	Amortization of discount and net origination fees on loans receivable and debt securities	—	—	(6,154)
Paid-in-kind interest added to loan principal, net of interest received		(7,144)	8,398	(38,398)
Amortization of discount and net origination fees on loans receivable and debt securities				
Amortization of discount and net origination fees on loans receivable and debt securities				
Paid-in-kind interest added to loan principal				
Straight-line rent income	Straight-line rent income	(25,488)	2,778	(20,453)
Amortization of above- and below-market lease values, net	Amortization of above- and below-market lease values, net	208	5,042	(6,446)
Amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discount and premium, net	Amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discount and premium, net	106,410	65,129	15,602
Equity method (earnings) losses		(389,584)	7,248	463,866
Unrealized carried interest allocation				
Unrealized principal investment income				
Other equity method (earnings) losses				
Distributions of income from equity method investments	Distributions of income from equity method investments	127,887	3,054	102,612
Impairment of real estate and intangible assets				
Allowance for doubtful accounts	Allowance for doubtful accounts	—	3,294	7,247

Impairment of real estate and related intangibles and right-of-use asset				
		35,985	319,263	1,987,130
Goodwill impairment				
		—	—	594,000
Allowance for doubtful accounts				
Allowance for doubtful accounts				
Depreciation and amortization				
Depreciation and amortization				
Depreciation and amortization	Depreciation and amortization	579,250	636,555	578,282
Equity-based compensation	Equity-based compensation	54,710	59,416	34,959
Unrealized settlement loss				
		—	—	3,890
Gain on sales of real estate, net	Gain on sales of real estate, net	—	(49,429)	(41,922)
Deferred income tax (benefit) expense	Deferred income tax (benefit) expense	11,572	(68,454)	(25,086)
Loss on extinguishment of exchangeable notes				
		133,173	25,088	—
Other loss, net				
		22,245	60,231	211,967
(Gain) Loss on debt extinguishment				
Other (gain) loss, net				
Other adjustments, net				
(Increase) decrease in other assets and due from affiliates	(Increase) decrease in other assets and due from affiliates	35,372	(72,700)	14,392
Increase in accrued and other liabilities and due to affiliates				
		148,980	67,719	16,763
Other adjustments, net				
		(997)	(7,484)	(11,948)
Net cash provided by operating activities				
		262,582	248,237	89,893
Increase (decrease) in accrued and other liabilities and due to affiliates				
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities				
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	Cash Flows from Investing Activities			

Contributions to and acquisition of equity investments	Contributions to and acquisition of equity investments	(570,035)	(549,621)	(430,548)
Contributions to and acquisition of equity investments				
Contributions to and acquisition of equity investments				
Return of capital from equity method investments	Return of capital from equity method investments	59,248	90,205	294,932
Proceeds from sale of equity investments				
Acquisition of loans receivable and debt securities	Acquisition of loans receivable and debt securities	(164,815)	(147,498)	—
Proceeds from paydown and maturity of debt securities				
Net disbursements on originated loans	Net disbursements on originated loans	(215,918)	(33,272)	(219,990)
Repayments of loans receivable	Repayments of loans receivable	23,956	485,613	227,831
Proceeds from sales of loans receivable and debt securities, including transfers of warehoused loans				
		401,002	146,004	46,272
Proceeds from sales of loans receivable and debt securities				
Acquisition of and additions to real estate, related intangibles and leasing commissions	Acquisition of and additions to real estate, related intangibles and leasing commissions	(2,141,237)	(828,361)	(2,559,343)
Proceeds from sales of real estate, including transfers of warehoused assets, net of property level cash transferred to buyer				
		162,268	408,391	431,198
Proceeds from paydown and maturity of debt securities				
		573	1,261	5,721
Proceeds from sale of equity investments				
		522,337	564,025	287,899
Proceeds from sales of real estate investment holding entities				

Investment deposits	Investment deposits	630	(21,418)	(11,660)
Proceeds from sale of corporate fixed assets		—	14,946	—
Net receipts on settlement of derivatives		9,352	17,123	27,097
Acquisition of DBH, net of cash acquired, and payment of deferred purchase price		—	—	(32,500)
Investment deposits				
Investment deposits				
Net receipt (payment) on settlement of derivatives				
Acquisition of InfraBridge, net of cash acquired (Note 3)				
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets				
Cash and restricted cash derecognized in deconsolidation of investment entities				
Proceeds from DataBank recapitalization, net of carried interest distribution				
Other investing activities, net	Other investing activities, net	(769)	(833)	1,111
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(1,913,408)	146,565	(1,931,980)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities				

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**DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)**  
(In thousands)

		Year Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,			
		2022	2021	2020		2023		2022	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities	Cash Flows from Financing Activities								



Dividends paid to preferred stockholders	Dividends paid to preferred stockholders	\$	(62,395)	\$	(73,384)	\$	(79,333)
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Dividends paid to preferred stockholders

Dividends paid to preferred stockholders

Dividends paid to common stockholders	Dividends paid to common stockholders	(1,636)	—	(106,510)
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Repurchases of common stock	Repurchases of common stock	(55,006)	—	(24,749)
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Borrowings on corporate debt

Borrowings on corporate debt

Borrowings on corporate debt

Repayments of corporate debt, including senior notes

Borrowings from investment level debt

Repayments of investment level debt

Payment of deferred financing costs and prepayment penalties on investment level debt

Contributions from noncontrolling interests

Distributions to and redemptions of noncontrolling interests

Payment of contingent consideration to Wafra

Repurchases of preferred stock

Shares canceled for tax withholdings on vested equity awards			
Acquisition of noncontrolling interest			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities			
Debt borrowings	1,162,726	2,439,722	2,907,833
Debt repayments	(514,505)	(1,720,402)	(2,654,999)
Payment of deferred financing costs	(18,688)	(48,127)	(54,750)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	2,625,612	232,144	1,906,250
Distributions to and redemptions of noncontrolling interests	(2,109,229)	(249,083)	(360,304)
Contribution from Wafra	—	—	253,575
Redemptions/repurchases of preferred stock	(52,779)	(150,250)	(402,855)
Shares canceled for tax withholdings on vested equity awards	(18,239)	(19,360)	(7,749)
Acquisition of noncontrolling interest	(32,076)	—	—
Other financing activities, net	—	—	(3,382)
Net cash provided by financing activities	923,785	411,260	1,373,027
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities			
Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(2,465)	(2,825)	7,370
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(729,506)	803,237	(461,690)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash			
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—beginning of period	1,766,245	963,008	1,424,698
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—end of period	\$1,036,739	\$1,766,245	\$ 963,008

#### Reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash to consolidated balance sheets

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
<u>Beginning of the period</u>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,602,102	\$ 703,544	\$ 1,205,190
Restricted cash	99,121	67,772	674
Restricted cash included in assets held for disposition	65,022	191,692	218,834
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period	<u>\$ 1,766,245</u>	<u>\$ 963,008</u>	<u>\$ 1,424,698</u>
<u>End of the period</u>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 918,254	\$ 1,602,102	\$ 703,544
Restricted cash	118,485	99,121	67,772
Restricted cash included in assets held for disposition	—	65,022	191,692
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	<u>\$ 1,036,739</u>	<u>\$ 1,766,245</u>	<u>\$ 963,008</u>

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
<u>Beginning of period</u>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 855,564	\$ 1,226,897	\$ 703,544
Restricted cash	4,854	7,511	67,772
Assets of discontinued operations—cash and cash equivalents	62,690	375,205	—
Assets of discontinued operations—restricted cash	113,631	156,632	191,692
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—beginning of period	<u>\$ 1,036,739</u>	<u>\$ 1,766,245</u>	<u>\$ 963,008</u>
<u>End of period</u>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 345,335	\$ 855,564	\$ 1,226,897
Restricted cash	4,915	4,854	7,511
Assets of discontinued operations—cash and cash equivalents	—	62,690	375,205
Assets of discontinued operations—restricted cash	—	113,631	156,632
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—end of period	<u>\$ 350,250</u>	<u>\$ 1,036,739</u>	<u>\$ 1,766,245</u>

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## Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information</b>			
Cash paid for interest, net of amounts capitalized of \$5,433, \$3,206 and \$1,567	\$ 179,071	\$ 219,851	\$ 444,365
Cash received (paid) for income taxes	57	11,747	5,927
Operating lease payments for corporate offices	9,096	9,651	10,358
Operating lease payments for TowerCo	—	11,709	—
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flows from Discontinued Operations</b>			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of discontinued operations	\$ 233,903	\$ 300,482	\$ 375,250
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities of discontinued operations	(600,050)	(1,377,005)	336,102
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities</b>			
Dividends and distributions payable	\$ 16,477	\$ 16,491	\$ 15,759
Receivables from asset sales	662	16,824	14,045
Contingent consideration for acquisition of InfraBridge	10,874	—	—

Redemption of OP Units for common stock	984	341	4,647
Redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest for common stock	—	348,759	—
Exchange of notes into shares of Class A common stock	—	60,317	161,261
Debt assumed by buyer in sale of real estate	—	—	44,148
Seller note received in sale of NRF Holdco equity (Note 2)	—	154,992	—
Loan receivable relieved in exchange for equity investment acquired	—	20,676	—
Vantage SDC capacity funded through equity, net of liability settlement (Note 9)	109,562	—	—
Operating lease ROU assets and lease liabilities established for corporate offices	15,314	5,837	421
Assets of investment entities disposed of in sale of equity and/or deconsolidated <sup>(1)</sup>	8,659,140	4,689,188	5,614,465
Liabilities of investment entities disposed of in sale of equity and/or deconsolidated <sup>(1)</sup>	5,941,332	3,948,016	4,291,557
Assets of investment entities deconsolidated <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	—
Liabilities of investment entities deconsolidated <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	—
Noncontrolling interests of investment entities disposed of in sale of equity and/or deconsolidated <sup>(1)</sup>	2,398,693	415,098	1,080,134

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents deconsolidation of Vantage SDC and DataBank in 2023, sale of Wellness Infrastructure business in 2022, and sale of non-digital investment portfolio and hospitality business in 2021 (Notes 9 and 2)

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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### DigitalBridge Group, Inc. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements December 31, 2022-2023

#### 1. Business and Organization

DigitalBridge Group, Inc., or ("DBRG, together and together with its consolidated subsidiaries, the "Company") is a leading global digital infrastructure investment manager. The Company deploys and manages capital on behalf of its investors and shareholders across the digital infrastructure ecosystem, including data centers, cell towers, fiber networks, small cells, and edge infrastructure. The Company's investment management platform is anchored by its flagship value-add digital infrastructure equity offerings, and has expanded to include offerings in core equity, credit, and liquid securities.

In February 2023, the Company further expanded its investment offerings to encompass InfraBridge, a newly-acquired securities, and mid-market global infrastructure equity platform, through InfraBridge (Note 3).

On December 31, 2023, the Operating segment was discontinued following full deconsolidation of the portfolio companies in the Operating segment, as discussed in Note 9, at which time, the activities thereof qualified as discontinued operations (Note 2). All prior periods presented have been reclassified to conform to current period presentation as discontinued operations.

#### Organization

The Company operates as a separate division of DBRG (Note 3) taxable C Corporation commencing with the taxable year ended December 31, 2022.

#### Organization

The Company conducts all of its activities and holds substantially all of its assets and liabilities through its operating subsidiary, DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (the "Operating Company" or the "OP"). At December 31, 2022-December 31, 2023, the Company owned 93% of the OP, as its sole managing member. The remaining 7% is owned primarily by certain current and former employees of the Company as noncontrolling interests.

#### Transition to Taxable C Corporation

Following the completion of the Company's business transformation in the first quarter of 2022 (as described below) and due to the pace of growth of its investment management business and other strategic transactions that it may pursue, the Company's Board of Directors and management agreed to discontinue actions necessary to maintain qualification as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") for 2022. Commencing with the taxable year ended December 31, 2022, all of the Company's taxable income, except for income generated by subsidiaries that have elected or anticipate electing REIT status, is subject to U.S. federal and state income tax at the applicable corporate tax rate. Dividends paid to stockholders are no longer tax deductible. The Company is also no longer subject to the REIT requirement for distributions to stockholders when the Company has taxable income.

The Company anticipates that operating as a taxable C Corporation will provide the Company with flexibility to execute various strategic initiatives without the constraints of complying with REIT requirements. This includes retaining and reinvesting earnings in other new initiatives in the investment management business.

The Company's transition to a taxable C Corporation is not expected to result in significant incremental current income tax expense in the near term due to the availability of significant capital loss and net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards. Furthermore, earnings from the Company's investment management business, which is conducted through its previously designated taxable REIT subsidiaries ("TRS"), remain the primary source of income subject to U.S. federal and state income tax. See Note 17 for additional information.

#### Business Transformation

In February 2022, the Company completed the disposition of substantially all of its non-digital assets. This marked the completion of the Company's transformation from a REIT and investment manager in traditional real estate into an investment manager focused primarily on digital infrastructure.

The disposition of its hotel portfolio (March 2021), Other Equity and Debt ("OED") investments and non-digital investment management ("Other IM") business (December 2021), and Wellness Infrastructure portfolio (February 2022) each represented a strategic shift in the Company's business that had a significant effect on the Company's operations and financial results, and accordingly, had met the criteria as discontinued operations. For all current and prior periods presented, the related assets and liabilities, to the extent they have not been disposed at the respective balance sheet dates, are presented as assets and liabilities held for disposition on the consolidated balance sheets (Note 21), and the related operating results are presented as discontinued operations on the consolidated statements of operations (Note 22).

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies of the Company are described below.

### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its controlled subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. The portions of equity, net income and other comprehensive income of consolidated subsidiaries that are not attributable to the parent are presented separately as amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests in the consolidated financial statements. Noncontrolling interests represents predominantly the majority ownership held by third party investors in the Company's **former** Operating segment, carried interest allocation to certain senior executives of the Company (Note 16), and membership interests in OP held by certain current and former employees of the Company.

To the extent the Company consolidates a subsidiary that is subject to industry-specific guidance such as investment company accounting applied by the Company's consolidated **sponsored** funds, the Company retains the industry-specific guidance applied by that subsidiary in its consolidated financial statements.

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions.

### **Principles of Consolidation**

The Company consolidates entities in which it has a controlling financial interest by first considering if an entity meets the definition of a variable interest entity ("VIE") for which the Company is deemed to be the primary beneficiary, or if the Company has the power to control an entity through a majority of voting interest or through other arrangements.

**Variable Interest Entities**—A VIE is an entity that either (i) lacks sufficient equity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties; (ii) whose equity holders lack the characteristics of a controlling financial interest; and/or (iii) is established with non-substantive voting rights. A VIE is consolidated by its primary beneficiary, which is defined as the party who has a controlling financial interest in the VIE through (a) power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly affect the VIE's economic performance, and (b) obligation to absorb losses or right to receive benefits of the VIE that could be significant to the VIE. This assessment may involve subjectivity in the determination of which activities most significantly affect the VIE's performance, and estimates about current and

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future fair value of the assets held by the VIE and financial performance of the VIE. In assessing its interests in the VIE, the Company also considers interests held by its related parties, including de facto agents. Additionally, the Company assesses whether it is a member of a related party group that collectively meets the power and benefits criteria and, if so, whether the Company is most closely associated with the VIE. In performing the related party analysis, the Company considers both qualitative and quantitative factors, including, but not limited to: the characteristics and size of its investment relative to the related party; the Company's and the related party's ability to control or significantly influence key decisions of the VIE including consideration of involvement by de facto agents; the obligation or likelihood for the Company or the related party to fund operating losses of the VIE; and the similarity and significance of the VIE's business activities to those of the Company and the related party. The determination of whether an entity is a VIE, and whether the Company is the primary beneficiary, may involve significant judgment, and depends upon facts and circumstances specific to an entity at the time of the assessment.

**Voting Interest Entities**—Unlike VIEs, voting interest entities have sufficient equity to finance their activities and equity investors exhibit the characteristics of a controlling financial interest through their voting rights. The Company consolidates such entities when it has the power to control these entities through ownership of a majority of the entities' voting interests or through other arrangements.

At each reporting period, the Company reassesses whether changes in facts and circumstances cause a change in the status of an entity as a VIE or voting interest entity, and/or a change in the Company's consolidation assessment. Changes in consolidation status are applied prospectively. An entity may be consolidated as a result of this reassessment, in which case, the assets, liabilities and noncontrolling interest in the entity are recorded at fair value upon initial consolidation. Any existing equity interest held by the Company in the entity prior to the Company obtaining control will be remeasured at fair value, which may result in a gain or loss recognized upon initial consolidation. However, if the consolidation represents an asset acquisition of a voting interest entity, the Company's existing interest in the acquired assets, if any, is not remeasured to fair value but continues to be carried at historical cost. The Company may also deconsolidate a subsidiary as a result of this reassessment, which may result in a gain or loss recognized upon

deconsolidation depending on the carrying values of deconsolidated assets and liabilities compared to the fair value of any interests retained.

## Noncontrolling Interests

**Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests**—This represents noncontrolling interests in sponsored open-end funds in the Liquid Strategies that are consolidated by the Company. The limited partners of these funds have the ability to withdraw all or a portion of their interests from the funds in cash with advance notice.

Redeemable noncontrolling interests is presented outside of permanent equity. Allocation of net income or loss to redeemable noncontrolling interests is based upon their ownership percentage during the period. The carrying amount of redeemable noncontrolling interests is adjusted to its redemption value at the end of each reporting period to an amount not less than its initial carrying value, except for amounts contingently redeemable which will be adjusted to redemption value only when redemption is probable. Such adjustments will be recognized in additional paid-in capital.

The Prior to full redemption in May 2022, there was also redeemable noncontrolling interests in the Company's investment management business, was redeemed as discussed in May 2022 (Note 10). Note 9.

**Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities**—This represents predominantly the majority ownership held by third party investors in the Company's Operating segment and carried interest allocation to certain senior executives of the Company (Note 16). Excluding carried interests, allocation of net income or loss is generally based upon relative ownership interests.

**Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company**—This represents membership interests in OP held primarily by certain current and former employees of the Company. Noncontrolling interests in OP are allocated a share of net income or loss in OP based upon their weighted average ownership interest in OP during the period. Noncontrolling interests in OP have the right to require OP to redeem part or all of such member's membership units in OP ("OP Units") for cash based on the market value of an equivalent number of shares of class A common stock at the time of redemption, or at the Company's election as managing member of OP, through issuance of shares of class A common stock (registered or unregistered) on a one-for-one basis. At the end of each reporting period, noncontrolling interests in OP is adjusted to reflect their ownership percentage in OP at the end of the period, through a reallocation between controlling and noncontrolling interests in OP, as applicable.

## Foreign Currency

Assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency for which the functional currency is a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date and the corresponding results of operations for such entities are translated using the average exchange rate in effect during the period. The resulting foreign currency

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translation adjustments are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income or loss in stockholders' equity. Upon sale, complete or substantially complete liquidation of a foreign subsidiary, or upon partial sale of a foreign equity method investment, the translation adjustment associated with the foreign subsidiary or investment, or a proportionate share related to the portion of equity method investment sold, is reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income or loss into earnings.

Financial assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency for which the functional currency is the U.S. dollar are remeasured using the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date, whereas non-financial assets and liabilities are remeasured using the exchange rate on the date the item was initially recognized (i.e., the historical rate), and the corresponding results of operations for such entities are remeasured using the average exchange rate in effect during the period. The resulting foreign currency remeasurement adjustments are recorded in other gain (loss) on the consolidated statements of operations. Disclosures of non-U.S. dollar amounts to be recorded in the future are translated using exchange rates in effect at the date of the most recent balance sheet presented.

## Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is based on an exit price, defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. Where appropriate, the Company makes adjustments to estimated fair values to appropriately reflect counterparty credit risk as well as the Company's own credit-worthiness.

The estimated fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities are categorized into a three tier hierarchy, prioritized based on the level of transparency in inputs used in the valuation techniques, as follows:

**Level 1**—Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

**Level 2**—Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in non-active markets, or valuation techniques utilizing inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable data directly or indirectly for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

**Level 3**—At least one assumption or input is unobservable and it is significant to the fair value measurement, requiring significant management judgment or estimate.

Where the inputs used to measure the fair value of a financial instrument falls into different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the financial instrument is categorized within the hierarchy based on the lowest level of input that is significant to its fair value measurement.

Due to the inherently judgmental nature of Level 3 fair value, changes in assumptions or inputs applied as of reporting date could result in a higher or lower fair value, and realized value may differ from the estimated unrealized fair value.

## Fair Value Option

The fair value option provides an option to elect fair value as a measurement alternative for selected financial instruments. The fair value option may be elected only upon the occurrence of certain specified events, including when the Company enters into an eligible firm commitment, at initial recognition of the financial instrument, as well as upon a business combination or consolidation of a subsidiary. The election is irrevocable unless a new election event occurs.

The Company has elected fair value option to account for all of its loans receivable and certain equity method investments at fair value, and loans receivable.



## Business Combinations

**Definition of a Business**—The Company evaluates each purchase transaction to determine whether the acquired assets meet the definition of a business. If substantially all of the fair value of gross assets acquired is concentrated in a single identifiable asset or a group of similar identifiable assets, then the set of transferred assets and activities is not a business. If not, for an acquisition to be considered a business, it would have to include an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs (i.e., there is a continuation of revenue before and after the transaction). A substantive process is not ancillary or minor, cannot be replaced without significant costs, effort or delay or is otherwise considered unique or scarce. To qualify as a business without outputs, the acquired assets would require an organized workforce with the necessary skills, knowledge and experience to perform a substantive process.

**Asset Acquisitions**—For acquisitions that are not deemed to be businesses, the assets acquired are recognized based on their cost to the Company as the acquirer and no gain or loss is recognized. The cost of assets acquired in a group is allocated to individual assets within the group based on their relative fair values and does not give rise to goodwill. Transaction costs related to acquisition of assets are included in the cost basis of the assets acquired.

**Business Combinations**—The Company accounts for acquisitions that qualify as business combinations by applying the acquisition method. Transaction costs related to acquisition of a business are expensed as incurred and excluded from the fair value of consideration transferred. The identifiable assets acquired, liabilities assumed and noncontrolling interests in an acquired entity are recognized and measured at their estimated fair values, except as discussed below. The excess

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of the consideration transferred over the value of identifiable assets acquired, liabilities assumed and noncontrolling interests in an acquired entity, net of fair value of any previously held interest in the acquired entity, is recorded as goodwill. Such valuations require management to make significant estimates and assumptions.

With respect to contract assets and contract liabilities acquired in a business combination, these are not accounted for under the fair value basis at the time of acquisition. Instead, the Company determines the value of these revenue contracts as if it had originated the acquired contracts by evaluating the associated performance obligations, transaction price and relative stand-alone selling price at the original contract inception date or subsequent modification dates.

The estimated fair values and allocation of consideration are subject to adjustments during the measurement period, not to exceed one year, based upon new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed at time of acquisition.

**Contingent Consideration**—Contingent consideration is classified as a liability or equity, as applicable. Contingent consideration in connection with the acquisition of a business or a VIE is measured at fair value on acquisition date, and unless classified as equity, is remeasured at fair value each reporting period thereafter until the consideration is settled, with changes in fair value included in earnings.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

Short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents. The Company's cash and cash equivalents are held with major financial institutions and may at times exceed federally insured limits.

## Restricted Cash

Restricted cash consists primarily of cash reserves maintained pursuant to the governing agreement of the securitized debt of the Company and prior to December 31, 2023, securitized debt of portfolio companies in the Operating segment.

## Investments

### Equity Investments

A noncontrolling, unconsolidated ownership interest in an entity may be accounted for using one of: (i) equity method where applicable; (ii) fair value option if elected; (iii) fair value through earnings if fair value is readily determinable, including election of net asset value ("NAV") practical expedient where applicable; or (iv) for equity investments without readily determinable fair values, the measurement alternative to measure at cost adjusted for any impairment and observable price changes, as applicable.

Marketable equity securities are recorded as of trade date. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and is included in other income.

The Company's share of earnings (losses) from equity method investments in its sponsored funds and fair value changes of equity method investments under the fair value option are recorded in principal investment income (loss). Fair value changes of other equity investments, including adjustments for observable price changes under the measurement alternative, are recorded in other gain (loss).

**Equity Method Investments**—The Company accounts for investments under the equity method of accounting if it has the ability to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of an entity, but does not have a controlling financial interest. The equity method investment is initially recorded at cost and adjusted each period for capital contributions, distributions and the Company's share of the entity's net income or loss as well as other comprehensive income or loss. The Company's share of net income or loss may differ from the stated ownership percentage interest in an entity if the governing documents prescribe a substantive non-proportionate earnings allocation formula or a preferred return to certain investors. For certain equity method investments, the Company may record its proportionate share of income (loss) on a one to three month lag. Distributions of operating profits from equity method investments are reported as operating activities, while distributions in excess of operating profits are reported as investing activities in the statement of cash flows under the cumulative earnings approach.

**Carried Interest**—The Company's equity method investments include its interests as general partner or equivalent in investment vehicles that it sponsors. The Company recognizes earnings based on its proportionate share of results from these investment vehicles and a disproportionate allocation of returns based on the extent to which cumulative performance exceeds minimum return hurdles pursuant to terms of their respective governing agreements ("carried interests"). Carried interest is discussed further in Note 4.

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**Impairment**—Evaluation of impairment applies to equity method investments for which fair value option has not been elected and equity investments under the measurement alternative. If indicators of impairment exist, the Company will first estimate the fair value of its investment. In assessing fair value, the Company generally considers, among others, the estimated enterprise value of the investee or fair value of the investee's underlying net assets, including net cash flows to be generated by the investee as applicable, and for equity method investees with publicly traded equity, the traded price of the equity securities in an active market.

For investments under the measurement alternative, if carrying value of the investment exceeds its fair value, an impairment is deemed to have occurred.

For equity method investments, further consideration is made if a decrease in value of the investment is other-than-temporary to determine if impairment loss should be recognized. Assessment of other-than-temporary impairment involves management judgment, including, but not limited to, consideration of the investee's financial condition, operating results, business prospects and creditworthiness, the Company's ability and intent to hold the investment until recovery of its carrying value, or a significant and prolonged decline in traded price of the investee's equity security. If management is unable to reasonably assert that an impairment is temporary or believes that the Company may not fully recover the carrying value of its investment, then the impairment is considered to be other-than-temporary.

Investments that are other-than-temporarily impaired are written down to their estimated fair value. Impairment loss is recorded in equity method earnings for equity method investments and in other gain (loss) for investments under the measurement alternative.

#### Debt Securities

Debt securities are recorded as of the trade date. Debt securities designated as available-for-sale ("AFS") are carried at fair value with unrealized gains or losses included as a component of other comprehensive income. **Contingent** Upon disposition of AFS debt securities, the cumulative gains or losses in other comprehensive income (loss) that are realized are recognized in other gain (loss), net, on the statement of operations based on specific identification.

**Interest Income**—Interest income from debt securities, including stated coupon interest payments and amortization of purchase premiums or discounts, is recognized using the effective interest method over the expected life of the debt securities.

For beneficial interests in debt securities that are not of high credit quality (generally credit rating below AA) or that can be contractually settled such that the Company would not recover substantially all of its recorded investment, interest income is recognized as the accretable yield over the life of the securities using the effective yield method. The accretable yield is the excess of current expected cash flows to be collected over the net investment in the security, including the yield accreted to date. The Company evaluates estimated future cash flows expected to be collected on a quarterly basis, starting with the first full quarter after acquisition, or earlier if conditions indicating impairment are present. If the cash flows expected to be collected cannot be reasonably estimated, either at acquisition or in subsequent evaluation, the Company may consider placing the securities on nonaccrual, with interest income recognized using the cost recovery method.

**Impairment**—The Company performs an assessment, at least quarterly, to determine whether its AFS debt securities are considered to be impaired; that is, if their fair value is less than their amortized cost basis.

If the Company intends to sell the impaired debt security or is more likely than not will be required to sell the debt security before recovery of its amortized cost, the entire impairment amount is recognized in earnings within other gain (loss) as a write-off of the amortized cost basis of the debt security.

If the Company does not intend to sell or is not more likely than not required to sell the debt security before recovery of its amortized cost, the credit component of the loss is recognized in earnings within other gain (loss) as an allowance for credit loss, which may be subject to reversal for subsequent recoveries in fair value. The non-credit loss component is recognized in other comprehensive income or loss ("OCI"). The allowance is charged off against the amortized cost basis of the security if in a subsequent period, the Company intends to or more likely than not will be required to sell the security, or if the Company deems the security to be uncollectible.

In assessing impairment and estimating future expected cash flows, factors considered include, but are not limited to, credit rating of the security, financial condition of the issuer, defaults for similar securities, performance and value of assets underlying an asset-backed security.

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#### Loans Receivable

Loans that the Company has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future are classified as held for investment. Loans that the Company intends to sell or liquidate in the foreseeable future are classified as held for disposition.

Interest income is recognized based upon contractual interest rate and unpaid principal balance of the loans. Loans that are past due 90 days or more as to principal or interest, or where reasonable doubt exists as to timely collection, are generally considered nonperforming, with reversal of interest income and suspension of interest income recognition. Recognition of interest income may be restored when all principal and interest are current and full repayment of the remaining contractual principal and interest are reasonably assured.

The Company had elected the fair value option for all loans receivable.

Loan fair values are generally determined either: by comparing the current yield to the estimated yield of newly originated loans with similar credit risk or the market yield at which a third party might expect to purchase such investment; or based upon discounted cash flow projections of principal and interest expected to be collected, which projections include, but are not limited to, consideration of the financial standing of the borrower or sponsor as well as operating results and/or value of the underlying collateral.

For loans that are nonperforming where recognition of interest income is suspended, any interest subsequently collected is recognized on a cash basis by crediting income when received.

Origination and other fees charged to the borrower are recognized immediately as interest income when earned. Costs to originate or purchase loans are expensed as incurred.

#### **Goodwill**

Goodwill is an unidentifiable intangible asset and is recognized as a residual, generally measured as the excess of consideration transferred in a business combination over the identifiable assets acquired, liabilities assumed and noncontrolling interests in the acquiree. Goodwill is assigned to reporting units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the business combination.

Goodwill is tested for impairment at the reporting units to which it is assigned at least on an annual basis in the fourth quarter of each year, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances occur that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying value, including goodwill. The assessment of goodwill for impairment may initially be performed based on qualitative factors to determine if it is more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit to which the goodwill is assigned is less than its carrying value, including goodwill. If so, a quantitative assessment is performed to identify both the existence of impairment and the amount of impairment loss. The Company may bypass the qualitative assessment and proceed directly to performing a quantitative assessment to compare the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying value, including goodwill. Impairment is measured as the excess of carrying value over fair value of the reporting unit, with the loss recognized limited to the amount of goodwill assigned to that reporting unit.

An impairment establishes a new basis for goodwill and any impairment loss recognized is not subject to subsequent reversal. Goodwill impairment tests require judgment, including identification of reporting units, assignment of assets and liabilities to reporting units, assignment of goodwill to reporting units, and determination of the fair value of each reporting unit.

#### **Identifiable Intangibles**

In a business combination or asset acquisition, the Company may recognize identifiable intangibles that meet either or both the contractual legal criterion or the separability criterion. An indefinite-lived intangible is not subject to amortization until such time that its useful life is determined to no longer be indefinite, at which point, it will be assessed for impairment and its adjusted carrying amount amortized over its remaining useful life. Finite-lived intangibles are amortized over their useful life in a manner that reflects the pattern in which the intangible is being consumed if readily determinable, such as based upon expected cash flows; otherwise they are amortized on a straight-line basis. The useful life of all identified intangibles will be periodically reassessed and if useful life changes, the carrying amount of the intangible will be amortized prospectively over the revised useful life.

The Company's identifiable intangible assets are generally valued under the income approach, using an estimate of future net cash flows, discounted based upon risk-adjusted returns for similar underlying assets.

Identifiable intangibles recognized in acquisition of an investment management business generally include management contracts, which represent contractual rights to future fee revenue from in-place management contracts that

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are amortized based upon expected cash flows over the remaining term of the contracts; and investor relationships, which represent potential fee revenue generated from future reinvestment by existing investors that is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life.

Other intangible assets include trade names, which are recognized as a separate identifiable intangible asset to the extent the Company intends to continue using the trade name post-acquisition. Trade names are valued as the savings from royalty fees that would have otherwise been incurred. Trade names are amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life, or not amortized if they are determined to have an indefinite useful life.

#### **Impairment**

Identifiable intangible assets are reviewed periodically to determine if circumstances exist which may indicate a potential impairment. If such circumstances are considered to exist, the Company evaluates if carrying value of the intangible asset is recoverable based upon an undiscounted cash flow analysis. Impairment loss is recognized for the excess, if any, of carrying value over estimated fair value of the intangible asset. An impairment establishes a new basis for the intangible asset and any impairment loss recognized is not subject to subsequent reversal.

In evaluating investment management intangibles for impairment, such as management contracts and investor relationships, the Company considers various factors that may affect future fee revenue, including but not limited to, changes in fee basis, amendments to contractual fee terms, and projected capital raising for future investment vehicles. Indefinite life trade names are impaired if the Company determines that it no longer intends to use the trade name.

#### **Accounts Receivable and Related Allowance**

**Cost Reimbursements and Recoverable Expenses**—The Company is entitled to reimbursements and/or recovers certain costs paid on behalf of investment vehicles sponsored by the Company, which include: (i) organization and offering costs associated with the formation and capital raising of the investment vehicles up to specified thresholds; (ii) costs incurred in performing investment due diligence; and (iii) direct and indirect operating costs associated with managing the operations of certain investment vehicles. Indirect operating costs are recorded as expenses of the Company when incurred and amounts allocated and reimbursable are recorded as other income in the consolidated statements of operations on a gross basis to the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of a principal in the incurrence of such costs. The Company facilitates the payments of organization and offering costs, due diligence costs to the extent the related investments are consummated and direct operating costs, all of which are recorded as due from affiliates on the consolidated balance sheets, until such amounts are repaid. Due diligence costs related to unconsummated investments that are borne by the Company are expensed as transaction-related costs in the consolidated statement of operations. The Company assesses the collectability of such receivables and establishes an allowance for any balances considered not collectable.

#### **Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets of the Company are presented within other assets and carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Ordinary repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Major replacements and betterments which improve or extend the life of assets are capitalized and depreciated over their useful life. Depreciation and amortization is recognized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the assets, which range between 3 and 7 years for furniture, fixtures, equipment and capitalized software, and over the shorter of the lease term or useful life for leasehold improvements.

#### **Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities**

The Company may use derivative instruments to manage its interest rate risk and foreign currency risk. The Company does not use derivative instruments for speculative or trading purposes. All derivative instruments are recorded at fair value and included in other assets or other liabilities on a gross basis on the balance sheet. The accounting for changes in fair value of derivatives depends upon whether the derivative has been designated in a hedging relationship and qualifies for hedge accounting.

Changes in fair value of derivatives not designated as accounting hedges are recorded in the statement of operations in other gain (loss).

For designated accounting hedges, the relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items, risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the accounting hedges as well as the methods to assess the effectiveness of the derivative prospectively and retrospectively, are formally documented at inception. Hedge effectiveness relates to the amount by which the gain or loss on the designated derivative instrument exactly offsets the change in the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk. If it is determined that a derivative is not expected to be or has ceased to be highly effective at hedging the designated exposure, hedge accounting is discontinued.

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**Cash Flow Hedges**—The Company may use interest rate caps and swaps to hedge its exposure to interest rate fluctuations in forecasted interest payments on floating rate debt and may designate as cash flow hedges. Changes in fair value of the derivative is recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), or "AOCI," and reclassified into earnings when the hedged item affects earnings. If the derivative in a cash flow hedge is terminated or the hedge designation is removed, related amounts in AOCI are reclassified into earnings when the hedged item affects earnings.

**Net Investment Hedges**—The Company may use foreign currency hedges to protect the value of its net investments in foreign subsidiaries or equity investees whose functional currencies are not U.S. dollars. Changes in fair value of derivatives used as hedges of net investment in foreign operations are recorded in the cumulative translation adjustment account within AOCI.

At the end of each quarter, the Company reassesses the effectiveness of its net investment hedges and as appropriate, dedesignates the portion of the derivative notional that is in excess of the beginning balance of its net investments as undesignated hedges.

Release of amounts in AOCI related to net investment hedges occurs upon losing a controlling financial interest in an investment or obtaining control over an equity method investment. Upon sale, complete or substantially complete liquidation of an investment in a foreign subsidiary, or partial sale of an equity method investment, the gain or loss on the related net investment hedge is reclassified from AOCI to earnings.

#### **Leases**

As lessee, the Company determines if an arrangement contains a lease and determines the classification of a leasing arrangement at its inception. A lease is classified as a finance lease, which represents a financed purchase of the leased asset, if the lease meets any of the following criteria: (a) asset ownership is transferred to lessee by end of lease term; (b) option to purchase asset is reasonably certain to be exercised by lessee; (c) the lease term is for a major part of the remaining economic life of the asset; (d) the present value of lease payments equals or exceeds substantially the fair value of the asset; or (e) the asset is of such a specialized nature that it is expected to have no alternative use at end of lease term. A lease is classified as an operating lease when none of the criteria are met. The Company also made the accounting policy election to treat lease and nonlease components in a lease contract as a single component.

The Company's leasing arrangements are composed primarily of operating ground leases for investment properties, operating leases for its corporate offices and, prior to the deconsolidation of the subsidiaries in the Operating Segment, finance and operating leases for data centers.

Short-term leases are not recorded on the balance sheet, with lease payments expensed on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Short-term leases are defined as leases which at commencement date, has a lease term of 12 months or less and does not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise.

For leases with terms greater than 12 months, a lessee's rights to use the leased asset and obligation to make future lease payments are recognized on balance sheet at lease commencement date as a right-of-use ("ROU") lease asset and a lease liability, respectively. The lease liability is measured based upon the present value of future lease payments over the lease term, discounted at the incremental borrowing rate. Variable lease payments are excluded and are recognized as lease expense as incurred. Lease renewal or termination options are taken into account only if it is reasonably certain that the option would be exercised. As an implicit rate is not readily determinable in most leases, an estimated incremental borrowing rate is applied, which is the interest rate that the Company or its subsidiary, where applicable, would have to pay to borrow an amount equal to the lease payments, on a collateralized basis over the lease term. In estimating incremental borrowing rates, consideration is given to recent debt financing transactions by the Company or its subsidiaries as well as publicly available data for debt instruments with similar characteristics, adjusted for the lease term. The ROU lease asset is measured based upon the corresponding lease liability, reduced by any lease incentives and adjusted to include capitalized initial direct leasing costs.

The Company's ROU lease asset is presented within other assets and is amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its useful life or remaining lease term. The Company's lease liability is presented within accrued and other liabilities. The lease liability is (a) reduced by lease payments made during the period; and (b) accreted to the balance as of the beginning of the period based upon the discount rate used at lease commencement. For finance leases, periodic lease payments are allocated between (i) interest expense, calculated based upon the incremental borrowing rate determined at commencement, to produce a constant periodic interest rate on the remaining balance of the lease liability, and (ii) reduction of lease liability. The combination of periodic interest expense and amortization expense on the ROU lease asset effectively reflects installment purchases on the financed leased asset, and results in a front-loaded expense recognition. Higher interest expense is recorded in the early periods as a constant interest rate is applied to the finance

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lease liability and the liability decreases over the lease term as cash payments are made. For operating leases, fixed lease expense is recognized over the lease term on a straight-line basis and variable lease expense is recognized in the period incurred.

A lease that is terminated before expiration of its lease term would result in a derecognition of the lease liability and ROU lease asset, with the difference recorded in the income statement, reflected as other gain (loss). If a plan has been committed to abandon an ROU lease asset at a future date before the end of its lease term, amortization of the ROU lease asset is accelerated based on its revised useful life. If an ROU lease asset is abandoned with immediate effect and the carrying value of the ROU lease asset is determined to be unrecoverable, an impairment loss is recognized on the ROU lease asset.

#### **Financing Costs**

Debt discounts and premiums as well as debt issuance costs (except for revolving credit arrangements) are presented net against the associated debt on the balance sheet and amortized into interest expense using the effective interest method over the contractual term or expected life of the debt instrument. Costs incurred in connection with revolving credit arrangements are recorded as deferred financing costs in other assets, and amortized on a straight-line basis over the acquisition expected term of assets (and the credit facility).

### **Fee Revenue**

Fee revenue consists primarily of the following:

**Management Fees**—The Company earns management fees for providing investment management services to its sponsored private funds and other investment vehicles, portfolio companies and managed accounts, which constitute a series of distinct services satisfied over time. Management fees are recognized over the life of the investment vehicle as services are provided.

The governing documents of the investment vehicles may provide for certain fee credits or offsets to management fees. Such amounts include primarily organizational costs of the investment vehicle in excess of prescribed thresholds, termination or similar fees paid in connection with unconsummated investments that are reimbursable by the investment vehicle, and directors' fees paid by portfolio companies to employees of the Company in their capacity as non-management directors. These fee credits or offsets represent a component of the transaction price for the Company's provision of investment management services and are applied to reduce management fees payable to the Company.

**Incentive Fees**—The Company is entitled to incentive fees from sub-advisory accounts in its Liquid Strategies. Incentive fees are determined based upon the performance of the respective accounts, subject to the achievement of specified return thresholds in accordance with the terms set out in their respective governing agreements. Incentive fees take the form of a contractual fee arrangement, and unlike carried interests, do not represent an allocation of returns among equity holders of an investment vehicle. Incentive fees are a VIE form of variable consideration and are recognized when it is probable that a significant reversal of the cumulative revenue will not occur, which is generally recognized when at the liability is considered both probable and reasonably estimable, as part end of the basis performance measurement period.

Management fees and incentive fees earned from consolidated funds and other investment vehicles are eliminated in consolidation. However, because the fees are funded by and earned from third party investors in these consolidated vehicles who represent noncontrolling interests, the Company's allocated share of net income from the consolidated funds and other vehicles is increased by the amount of fees that are eliminated. Accordingly, the elimination of these fees does not affect net income (loss) attributable to DBRG.

### **Other Income**

Other income includes primarily the following:

**Cost Reimbursements from Affiliates**—For various services provided to certain affiliates, including managed investment vehicles, the Company is entitled to receive reimbursements of expenses incurred, generally based on expenses that are directly attributable to providing those services and/or a portion of overhead costs. To the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of a principal in the incurrence of such costs on behalf of the managed investment vehicle, the cost reimbursement is presented on a gross basis in other income and the expense in either investment-related expense or administrative expense in the consolidated statements of operations in the period the costs are incurred. To the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of an agent, the cost reimbursement is presented on a net basis in the consolidated statements of operations.

**Property Operating Income**—2022 included lease income from a tower portfolio, acquired assets, in June 2022 as a warehoused investment and transferred to a core equity fund in December 2022.

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### **Compensation**

Compensation comprises salaries, bonus including discretionary awards and contractual amounts for certain senior executives, benefits, severance payments, and equity-based compensation. Bonus is accrued over the employment period to which it relates.

**Carried Interest and Incentive Fee Compensation**—This represents a portion of carried interest and incentive fees earned by the Company that are allocated to senior management, investment professionals and certain other employees of the Company. Carried interest and incentive fee compensation are generally recorded as the related carried interest and incentive fees are recognized in earnings by the Company. Carried interest compensation amounts may be reversed if there is a decline in the cumulative carried interest amounts previously recognized by the Company. Carried interest and incentive fee compensation are generally not paid to management or other employees until the related carried interest and incentive fee amounts are distributed by the investment vehicles to the Company.

If the related carried interest distributions received by the Company are subject to clawback, the previously distributed carried interest compensation would be similarly subject to clawback from employees. The Company generally withholds a portion of the distribution of carried interest compensation to employees to satisfy their potential clawback obligation. The amount withheld resides in entities outside of the Company.

**Equity-Based Compensation**—Equity-classified stock awards granted to employees and non-employees that have a service condition and/or a market or performance condition are measured at fair value at date of grant.

A modification in the terms or conditions of an award, unless the change is non-substantive, represents an exchange of the original award for a new award. The modified award is revalued and incremental compensation cost is recognized for the excess, if any, between fair value of the award upon modification and fair value of the award immediately prior to modification. Total compensation cost recognized for a modified award, however, cannot be less than its grant date fair value, unless at the time of modification, the service or performance condition of the original award was not expected to be satisfied. An award that is probable of vesting both before and after modification will result in incremental compensation cost only if terms affecting its estimate of fair value have been modified.

Liability-classified stock awards are remeasured at fair value at the end of each reporting period until the award is fully vested.

Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of each award, with the amount of compensation expense recognized at the end of a reporting period at least equal the portion of fair value of the respective award at grant date or modification date, as applicable, that has vested through that date. For awards

with a performance condition, compensation expense is recognized only if and when it becomes probable that the performance condition will be met, with a cumulative adjustment from service inception date, and conversely, compensation cost is reversed to the extent it is no longer probable that the performance condition will be met. For awards with a market condition, compensation cost is not reversed if a market condition is not met so long as the requisite service has been rendered, as a market condition does not represent a vesting condition. Compensation expense is adjusted for actual forfeitures upon occurrence.

### Income Taxes

Provision for income taxes consists of a current and deferred component. Current income taxes represent income tax to be paid or refunded for the current period. The Company uses the asset and liability method to provide for income taxes, which requires that the Company's income tax provision reflect the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets or liabilities for financial reporting versus for income tax purposes. Accordingly, a deferred tax asset or liability for each temporary difference is determined based on enacted tax rates that the Company expects to be in effect upon realization of the underlying amounts when they become deductible or taxable and the differences reverse. A deferred tax asset is also recognized for NOL, capital loss and tax credit carryforwards. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets is established if the Company believes it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized based upon the weight of all available positive and negative evidence. Realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the adequacy of future expected taxable income from all sources, including reversal of taxable temporary differences, forecasted earnings and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies. An established valuation allowance may be reversed in a future period if the Company subsequently determines it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax asset will become realizable.

### Uncertain Tax Positions

Income tax benefits are recognized for uncertain tax positions that are more likely than not to be sustained based solely on their technical merits. Such uncertain tax positions are measured as the largest amount of benefit that is more

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likely than not to be realized upon settlement. The difference between the benefit recognized and the tax benefit claimed on a tax return results in an unrecognized tax benefit. The Company evaluates on a quarterly basis whether it is more likely than not that its uncertain tax positions would be sustained upon examination by a tax authority for all open tax years, as defined by the statute of limitations. The evaluation of uncertain tax positions is based upon various factors including, but not limited to, changes in tax law, measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in tax returns, the effective settlement of matters subject to audit, new audit activity, and changes in facts or circumstances related to a tax position.

Income tax related interests and penalties, if any, are included as a component of income tax benefit (expense).

### Earnings Per Share

The Company calculates basic earnings per share ("EPS") using the two-class method which defines unvested share based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends as participating securities. The two-class method is an allocation formula that determines EPS for each share of common stock and participating securities according to dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings. Under this method, all earnings (distributed and undistributed) are allocated to common shares and participating securities based on their respective rights to receive dividends. EPS is calculated by dividing earnings allocated to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted EPS is based upon the weighted-average number of common shares and the effect of potentially dilutive common share equivalents outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive common share equivalents represent the assumed issuance of common shares in settlement of certain arrangements if determined to be dilutive, generally based upon the more dilutive of the two-class method or the treasury stock method, or based upon the if-converted method for the assumed conversion of the Company's outstanding convertible notes. The earnings allocated to common shareholders is adjusted to add back the income or loss associated with the potentially dilutive instruments that are assumed to result in the issuance of common shares if determined to be dilutive, such as interest expense on the Company's convertible notes.

In circumstances where discontinued operations are reported, income from continuing operations is used as the benchmark to determine whether including potential common shares in diluted EPS computation would be antidilutive. Accordingly, if there is a loss from continuing operations and potential common shares would be antidilutive due to the loss, but there is net income after adjusting for discontinued operations, the potential common shares would be excluded from diluted EPS computation even though the effect on net income would be dilutive, because income from continuing operations is used as the benchmark.

### Discontinued Operations

If the disposition of a component, being an operating or reportable segment, business unit, subsidiary or asset group, represents a strategic shift that has or will have a major effect on the Company's operations and financial results, the operating profits or losses of the component when classified as held for sale, and the gain or loss upon disposition of the component, are presented as discontinued operations in the statements of operations.

A business or asset group acquired in connection with a business combination that meets the criteria to be accounted for as held for sale at the date of acquisition is reported as discontinued operations, regardless of whether it meets the strategic shift criterion.

The disposition Company's discontinued operations in the periods presented herein represent: (i) the operations of (i) NRF Holdco, LLC digital infrastructure portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Company's former Operating segment; and (ii) the Company's former real estate investment and operations as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("NRF Holdco" REIT), a former subsidiary along with an adjacent investment management business, which have since been disposed as part of the Company's transformation into an investment manager with a digital infrastructure focus. These former businesses comprised the following.

- The full deconsolidation of both portfolio companies in the former Operating segment on December 31, 2023 (as discussed in Note 9) represented a strategic shift that held the Wellness Infrastructure business, in February 2022, (ii) a substantial majority of the OED investments and Other IM business in December 2021, (iii) the hotel business, composed of the Hospitality segment and the THL Hotel Portfolio in March 2021, and (iv) the bulk and light industrial portfolios in December 2020 and December 2019, respectively, all represent strategic shifts that have or are expected to have has major effects effect on the Company's operations and financial results, and have met meeting the criteria as discontinued operations as of June December 31, 2023. The Operating segment previously composed of balance sheet equity interests in two digital infrastructure portfolio companies, Vantage SDC and DataBank, a stabilized hyperscale and an edge colocation data center business, respectively. These portfolio companies directly held and operated data centers, earning rental income from providing use of data center space and/or capacity through leases, services and other tenant



arrangements. Prior to deconsolidation and reclassification as discontinued operations, the assets, liabilities and operating results of DataBank and Vantage SDC were included in the Company's consolidated financial statements at historical cost in the former Operating

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segment, with the portion of operating results attributable to third party investors presented as noncontrolling interests in investment entities.

- The Company's equity method investment in BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (NYSE: BRSP) was sold in March 2023 for net proceeds totaling \$201.6 million. The Company's investment in BRSP qualified as held for sale in March 2023 and its disposition represented a strategic shift that has major effect on the Company's operations and financial results, meeting the criteria as discontinued operations as of March 2023. A \$9.7 million impairment of the BRSP shares was recorded in 2023 prior to its disposition.
- The Wellness Infrastructure business was disposed in February 2022, along with other non-core assets held by a subsidiary, NRF Holdco, LLC ("NRF Holdco"). The equity of NRF Holdco was sold for \$281 million, in a combination of cash and a \$155 million unsecured promissory note. The promissory note was fully written down in March 2023, as discussed in Note 11. The disposition of NRF Holdco resulted in a write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs on the Wellness Infrastructure debt assumed by the buyer of \$92.1 million and additional impairment loss based upon final carrying value of the Wellness Infrastructure net assets in 2022, with \$251.7 million of impairment loss having already been recorded in 2021 based upon the selling price.
- The Company's equity interests in its non-digital investment portfolio, which included real estate, real estate-related equity and debt investments, along with an adjacent investment management business, was substantively disposed in a bulk sale in December 2021, with a write-down in the value of the assets based upon the selling price recorded in 2021 prior to disposition. A small number of investments excluded from this bulk sale continue to be disposed over time.
- The Hospitality business was disposed in March 2021. Additionally, a hotel portfolio that was in receivership was sold by the lender in September 2021 **September 2020**, which had resulted in a \$54.2 million gain on debt extinguishment.

Income (Loss) from discontinued operations is summarized as follows.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Property operating income	\$ 774,226	\$ 953,727	\$ 1,500,032
Other income	8,895	21,559	106,826
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>783,121</b>	<b>975,286</b>	<b>1,606,858</b>
Property operating expense	329,762	412,924	779,074
Interest expense	174,722	268,519	380,272
Depreciation and amortization	448,900	534,979	592,202
Compensation and other expenses	136,097	203,669	277,730
Impairment loss	—	35,985	317,405
Equity method earnings (losses)	(15,188)	(45,489)	(192,478)
Other gain (loss), net	2,671	13,682	120,753
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes</b>	<b>(318,877)</b>	<b>(512,597)</b>	<b>(811,550)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(1,581)	2,413	29,175
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations</b>	<b>(320,458)</b>	<b>(510,184)</b>	<b>(782,375)</b>
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Investment entities	(260,120)	(302,072)	(528,125)
Operating Company	(4,339)	(15,893)	(24,465)
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (55,999)</b>	<b>\$ (192,219)</b>	<b>\$ (229,785)</b>

## Assets and **June 2019**, Liabilities of Discontinued Operations

Assets of the former Operating segment were not held for disposition prior to their deconsolidation and qualification as discontinued operations on December 31, 2023. All other assets of discontinued operations were held for disposition prior to their sale.

The Company initially measures assets classified as held for disposition at the lower of their carrying amounts or fair value less disposal costs. For bulk sale transactions, the unit of account is the disposal group, with any excess of the aggregate carrying value over estimated fair value less costs to sell allocated to the individual assets within the group.

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(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ —	\$ 62,690

Restricted cash	—	113,631
Real estate	—	5,921,298
Investments	1,342	280,019
Goodwill	—	463,120
Intangible assets	—	1,006,469
Other assets	356	573,368
<b>Total assets of discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$ 1,698</b>	<b>\$ 8,420,595</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Debt	\$ —	\$ 4,586,765
Lease intangibles and other liabilities	153	755,377
<b>Total liabilities of discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$ 153</b>	<b>\$ 5,342,142</b>

#### Reclassifications

As discussed in “—Discontinued Operations,” the Company’s investment in BRSP and the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Company’s former Operating segment qualified as discontinued operations in March 2023 and December 2023, respectively. Accordingly, for all prior periods presented, presented: (i) on the related assets and liabilities are presented as assets and liabilities held for disposition on the December 31, 2022 consolidated balance sheets, (Note 21) the equity method investment in BRSP (2022: \$218.0 million previously included in equity and debt investments) and the related operating results are presented as assets of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$8.1 billion have been reclassified to assets of discontinued operations, while the liabilities of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$5.3 billion have been reclassified to liabilities of discontinued operations; and (ii) on the 2022 and 2021 consolidated statements of operations, the loss from BRSP of \$37.3 million in 2022 and earnings of \$41.2 million in 2021, previously included in equity method earnings (losses), and the net loss of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$324.2 million in 2022 and \$223.5 million in 2021 have been reclassified to income (loss) from discontinued operations operation.

In 2023, the Company also determined that principal investment income from its equity interest as general partner and general partner affiliate in its sponsored investment vehicles, and its entitlement to carried interest allocation, represent a core component of returns in its investment management business. Accordingly, beginning in 2023, principal investment income and carried interest allocation are now presented within total revenues on the consolidated statements of operations, (Note 22). Discontinued previously presented as equity method earnings (losses) and equity method earnings—carried interest, respectively, both of which are no longer applicable as separate financial statement line items following the changes discussed herein. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform to current presentation.

#### Accounting Policies Related to Real Estate

Accounting policies related to real estate are applicable to continuing operations in prior 2022 and to discontinued operations in all periods include investments in the respective segments that have been disposed or otherwise resolved in those periods.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents. The Company’s cash and cash equivalents are held with major financial institutions and may at times exceed federally insured limits. Also included are unrestricted cash held by subsidiaries in third party accounts that have the general characteristics of demand deposits.

#### Restricted Cash

Restricted cash consists primarily of cash reserves maintained pursuant to the governing agreements of the various securitized debt of the Company and its subsidiaries.

#### Real Estate Assets presented.

##### Real Estate Acquisitions

Real estate acquisitions are recorded at considered asset acquisitions and are recognized based on their cost to the fair values Company as the acquirer and no gain or loss is recognized. The cost of assets acquired are allocated among the acquired components based on their relative fair values at the time of acquisition, allocated among and does not give rise to goodwill. Such components include land, building, site and building improvements, infrastructure, equipment, lease-related tangible and intangible assets and liabilities, such as tenant improvements, deferred leasing costs, in-place lease values, above- and below-market lease values, and tenant relationships. The estimated fair value of acquired land is derived from recent comparable sales of land and listings within the same local region based on available market data. The estimated fair value of acquired buildings and building improvements is derived from comparable sales, discounted cash flow analysis using market-based assumptions, or replacement cost for a similar property, as appropriate. The fair value of site and tenant improvements and infrastructure assets are estimated based upon current market replacement costs and other relevant market rate information. Transaction costs related to acquisition of assets are included in the cost basis of the assets acquired. Contingent consideration in connection with the acquisition of assets (and that is not a VIE) is generally recognized when the liability is considered both probable and reasonably estimable, as part of the basis of the acquired assets.

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#### Previously warehoused investment

In June 2022, the Company acquired the mobile telecommunications tower business (“TowerCo”) of Telenet Group Holding NV (Euronext Brussels: TNET) for €740.1 million or \$791.3 million (including transaction costs). In December 2022, the Company’s interest in the temporarily warehoused TowerCo investment was transferred to the Company’s new

core equity fund and TowerCo was deconsolidated.

The TowerCo assets acquired had included owned tower sites, tower sites subject to third party leases that gave rise to ROU lease assets and corresponding lease liabilities, equipment, as well as customer relationships related primarily to a master lease agreement with Telenet as lessee. The acquisition had been funded through \$326.1 million of debt, \$278.1 million of equity from the Company, and \$213.8 million in third party equity. In addition to the purchase price, the funds had been used to finance transaction costs, debt issuance costs, working capital and as operating cash.

The following table summarizes the allocation of cash consideration to TowerCo assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including capitalized transaction costs, in 2022.

	(In thousands)
Real estate	\$ 363,121
Intangible assets	673,218
ROU and other assets	234,462
Deferred tax liabilities	(243,223)
Lease and other liabilities	(236,324)
Fair value of net assets acquired	\$ 791,254

- Real estate was valued based upon current replacement cost for towers in consideration of their remaining economic life. Useful lives of towers and related equipment acquired range from 11 to 71 years.
- Lease-related intangibles were composed of the following:
  - In-place leases reflect the value of rental income forgone if the towers acquired were not leased, discounted at 6.8%, with remaining lease terms of 15 years.
  - Customer relationships for towers were valued as the estimated future cash flows to be generated over the life of the tenant relationships based upon rental rates, operating costs, expected renewal terms and attrition, discounted at 6.8%, with estimated useful lives between 19 and 45 years.
- Deferred tax liabilities were recognized for the book-to-tax basis differences associated with the TowerCo acquisition.
- Other assets acquired and liabilities assumed include primarily lease ROU assets associated with leasehold ground space hosting tower communication sites, along with corresponding lease liabilities. Lease liabilities were measured based upon the present value of future lease payments over the lease term, discounted at the incremental borrowing rate of the acquiree entity.

In 2022, prior to transfer, TowerCo generated lease income of \$43.0 million, and incurred depreciation expense of \$8.8 million, and amortization expense of \$9.9 million, presented within Corporate and Other.

#### Real Estate Held for Investment

Real estate held for investment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation.

**Costs Capitalized or Expensed**—Expenditures for ordinary repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred, while expenditures for significant renovations that improve or extend the useful life of the asset are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

**Depreciation**—Real estate held for investment, other than land, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, as follows: generally up to 50 years for buildings, 40 years for site and building improvements, 30 years for data center infrastructure, and 8 years for furniture, fixtures and equipment. Tenant improvements are amortized over the lesser of the useful life or the remaining term of the lease.

Real Estate Assets	Term
Site improvements	5 to 40 years
Building	5 to 50 years
Building improvements	5 to 40 years
Tenant improvements	Lesser of useful life or remaining term of lease
Data center infrastructure	5 to 30 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	1 to 8 years

**Impairment**—The Company evaluates its real estate held for investment for impairment periodically or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. The Company evaluates real estate for impairment generally on an individual property basis. If an impairment indicator exists, the Company evaluates the undiscounted future net cash flows that are expected to be generated by the property, including any estimated proceeds from the eventual disposition of the property. If multiple outcomes are under consideration, the Company may apply either a probability-weighted cash flows approach or the single-most-likely estimate of cash flows

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approach, whichever is more appropriate under the circumstances. Based upon the analysis, if the carrying value of a property exceeds its undiscounted future net cash flows, an impairment loss is recognized for the excess of the carrying value of the property over the estimated fair value of the property. In evaluating and/or measuring impairment, the Company considers, among other things, current and estimated future cash flows associated with each property for the duration of the estimated hold period of each property, market information for each sub-market, including, where applicable, competition levels, foreclosure levels, leasing trends, occupancy trends, lease or room rates, and the market prices of similar properties recently sold or currently being offered for sale, expected capitalization rates at exit, and other quantitative and qualitative factors. Another key consideration in this assessment is the Company's assumptions about the highest and best use of its real estate investments and its intent and ability to hold them for a reasonable period that would allow for the recovery of their carrying values. If such assumptions change and the Company shortens its expected hold period, this may result in the recognition of impairment losses.

#### **Real Estate Held Identifiable Intangibles**

In a business combination or asset acquisition, the Company may recognize identifiable intangibles that meet either or both the contractual legal criterion or the separability criterion. An indefinite-lived intangible is not subject to amortization until such time that its useful life is determined to no longer be indefinite, at which point, it will be assessed for **Disposition** impairment and its adjusted carrying amount amortized over its remaining useful life. Finite-lived intangibles are amortized over their useful life in a manner that reflects the pattern in which the intangible is being consumed if readily determinable, such as based upon expected cash flows; otherwise they are amortized on a straight-line basis. The useful life of all identified intangibles will be periodically reassessed and if useful life changes, the carrying amount of the intangible will be amortized prospectively over the revised useful life.

**Real estate** The Company's identifiable intangible assets are generally valued under the income approach, using an estimate of future net cash flows, discounted based upon risk-adjusted returns for similar underlying assets.

Identifiable intangibles recognized in acquisition of an investment management business generally include management contracts, which represent contractual rights to future fee revenue from in-place management contracts that

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are amortized based upon expected cash flows over the remaining term of the contracts; and investor relationships, which represent potential fee revenue generated from future reinvestment by existing investors that is **classified** amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life.

Other intangible assets include trade names, which are recognized as **held for disposition** in a separate identifiable intangible asset to the **period when (i) management** approves extent the Company intends to continue using the trade name post-acquisition. Trade names are valued as the savings from royalty fees that would have otherwise been incurred. Trade names are amortized on a **plan** straight-line basis over the estimated useful life, or not amortized if they are determined to **sell** have an indefinite useful life.

#### **Impairment**

Identifiable intangible assets are reviewed periodically to determine if circumstances exist which may indicate a potential impairment. If such circumstances are considered to exist, the **asset**, (ii) Company evaluates if carrying value of the intangible asset is **available** recoverable based upon an undiscounted cash flow analysis. Impairment loss is recognized for immediate sale in its present condition, subject only to usual and customary terms, (iii) a program is initiated to locate a buyer and actively market the asset for sale at a reasonable price, and (iv) completion of the sale is probable within one year.

Real estate held for disposition is stated at the lower of its carrying amount or estimated fair value less disposal cost, with any write-down to fair value less disposal cost recorded as an impairment loss. For any increase in fair value less disposal cost subsequent to classification as held for disposition, the impairment loss may be reversed, but only up to the amount of cumulative loss previously recognized. Depreciation is not recorded on assets classified as held for disposition. At the time a sale is consummated, the excess, if any, of **sale price less selling costs** carrying value over **carrying** estimated fair value of the **real estate** intangible asset. An impairment establishes a new basis for the intangible asset and any impairment loss recognized is not subject to subsequent reversal.

In evaluating investment management intangibles for impairment, such as management contracts and investor relationships, the Company considers various factors that may affect future fee revenue, including but not limited to, changes in fee basis, amendments to contractual fee terms, and projected capital raising for future investment vehicles. Indefinite life trade names are impaired if the Company determines that it no longer intends to use the trade name.

#### **Accounts Receivable and Related Allowance**

**Cost Reimbursements and Recoverable Expenses**—The Company is entitled to reimbursements and/or recovers certain costs paid on behalf of investment vehicles sponsored by the Company, which include: (i) organization and offering costs associated with the formation and capital raising of the investment vehicles up to specified thresholds; (ii) costs incurred in performing investment due diligence; and (iii) direct and indirect operating costs associated with managing the operations of certain investment vehicles. Indirect operating costs are recorded as expenses of the Company when incurred and amounts allocated and reimbursable are recorded as other income in the consolidated statements of operations on a gross basis to the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of a principal in the incurrence of such costs. The Company facilitates the payments of organization and offering costs, due diligence costs to the extent the related investments are consummated and direct operating costs, all of which are recorded as due from affiliates on the consolidated balance sheets, until such amounts are repaid. Due diligence costs related to unconsummated investments that are borne by the Company are expensed as transaction-related costs in the consolidated statement of operations. The Company assesses the collectability of such receivables and establishes an allowance for any balances considered not collectable.

#### **Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets of the Company are presented within other assets and carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Ordinary repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Major replacements and betterments which improve or extend the life of assets are capitalized and depreciated over their useful life. Depreciation and amortization is recognized **as on a gain**, straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the assets, which range between 3 and 7 years for furniture, fixtures, equipment and capitalized software, and over the shorter of the lease term or useful life for leasehold improvements.

**If circumstances arise that were previously considered unlikely** **Derivative Instruments** and as a result, the Company decides not to sell the real estate asset previously classified as held for disposition, the real estate asset is reclassified as held for investment. Upon reclassification, the real estate asset is measured at the

*lower of (i) its carrying amount prior to classification as held for disposition, adjusted for depreciation expense that would have been recognized had the real estate been continuously classified as held for investment, or (ii) its estimated fair value at the time the Company decides not to sell.*

#### Foreclosed Properties Hedging Activities

The Company may **receive foreclosed properties** use derivative instruments to manage its interest rate risk and foreign currency risk. The Company does not use derivative instruments for speculative or trading purposes. All derivative instruments are recorded at fair value and included in **full** other assets or other liabilities on a gross basis on the balance sheet. The accounting for changes in fair value of derivatives depends upon whether the derivative has been designated in a hedging relationship and qualifies for hedge accounting.

Changes in fair value of derivatives not designated as accounting hedges are recorded in the statement of operations in other gain (loss).

For designated accounting hedges, the relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items, risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the accounting hedges as well as the methods to assess the effectiveness of the derivative prospectively and retrospectively, are formally documented at inception. Hedge effectiveness relates to the amount by which the gain or loss on the designated derivative instrument exactly offsets the change in the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk. If it is determined that a derivative is not expected to be or has ceased to be highly effective at hedging the designated exposure, hedge accounting is discontinued.

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**Cash Flow Hedges**—The Company may use interest rate caps and swaps to hedge its exposure to interest rate fluctuations in forecasted interest payments on floating rate debt and may designate as cash flow hedges. Changes in fair value of the derivative is recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), or "AOCI," and reclassified into earnings when the hedged item affects earnings. If the derivative in a cash flow hedge is terminated or the hedge designation is removed, related amounts in AOCI are reclassified into earnings when the hedged item affects earnings.

**Net Investment Hedges**—The Company may use foreign currency hedges to protect the value of its net investments in foreign subsidiaries or equity investees whose functional currencies are not U.S. dollars. Changes in fair value of derivatives used as hedges of net investment in foreign operations are recorded in the cumulative translation adjustment account within AOCI.

At the end of each quarter, the Company reassesses the effectiveness of its net investment hedges and as appropriate, dedesignates the portion of the derivative notional that is in excess of the beginning balance of its net investments as undesignated hedges.

Release of amounts in AOCI related to net investment hedges occurs upon losing a controlling financial interest in an investment or obtaining control over an equity method investment. Upon sale, complete or substantially complete liquidation of an investment in a foreign subsidiary, or partial **settlement** sale of **loans receivable by taking legal title** an equity method investment, the gain or **physical possession** loss on the related net investment hedge is reclassified from AOCI to earnings.

#### **Leases**

As lessee, the Company determines if an arrangement contains a lease and determines the classification of a leasing arrangement at its inception. A lease is classified as a finance lease, which represents a financed purchase of the properties. Foreclosed properties are generally recognized at leased asset, if the **time** lease meets any of the **real estate** following criteria: (a) asset ownership is **received at foreclosure sale** transferred to lessee by end of lease term; (b) option to purchase asset is reasonably certain to be exercised by lessee; (c) the lease term is for a major part of the remaining economic life of the asset; (d) the present value of lease payments equals or **upon execution of a deed in lieu of foreclosure**. Foreclosed properties are initially measured at fair value. If exceeds substantially the fair value of the **property** asset; or (e) the asset is **lower** of such a specialized nature that it is expected to have no alternative use at end of lease term. A lease is classified as an operating lease when none of the criteria are met. The Company also made the accounting policy election to treat lease and nonlease components in a lease contract as a single component.

The Company's leasing arrangements are composed primarily of operating ground leases for investment properties, operating leases for its corporate offices and, prior to the deconsolidation of the subsidiaries in the Operating Segment, finance and operating leases for data centers.

Short-term leases are not recorded on the balance sheet, with lease payments expensed on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Short-term leases are defined as leases which at commencement date, has a lease term of 12 months or less and does not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise.

For leases with terms greater than 12 months, a lessee's rights to use the leased asset and obligation to make future lease payments are recognized on balance sheet at lease commencement date as a right-of-use ("ROU") lease asset and a lease liability, respectively. The lease liability is measured based upon the present value of future lease payments over the lease term, discounted at the incremental borrowing rate. Variable lease payments are excluded and are recognized as lease expense as incurred. Lease renewal or termination options are taken into account only if it is reasonably certain that the option would be exercised. As an implicit rate is not readily determinable in most leases, an estimated incremental borrowing rate is applied, which is the interest rate that the Company or its subsidiary, where applicable, would have to pay to borrow an amount equal to the lease payments, on a collateralized basis over the lease term. In estimating incremental borrowing rates, consideration is given to recent debt financing transactions by the Company or its subsidiaries as well as publicly available data for debt instruments with similar characteristics, adjusted for the lease term. The ROU lease asset is measured based upon the corresponding lease liability, reduced by any lease incentives and adjusted to include capitalized initial direct leasing costs.

The Company's ROU lease asset is presented within other assets and is amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its useful life or remaining lease term. The Company's lease liability is presented within accrued and other liabilities. The lease liability is (a) reduced by lease payments made during the period; and (b) accreted to the balance as of the beginning of the period based upon the discount rate used at lease commencement. For finance leases, periodic lease payments are allocated between (i) interest expense, calculated based upon the incremental borrowing rate determined at commencement, to produce a constant periodic interest rate on the remaining balance of the lease liability, and (ii) reduction of lease liability. The combination of periodic interest expense and amortization expense on the ROU lease asset effectively reflects installment purchases on the financed leased asset, and results in a front-loaded expense recognition. Higher interest expense is recorded in the early periods as a constant interest rate is applied to the finance

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lease liability and the liability decreases over the lease term as cash payments are made. For operating leases, fixed lease expense is recognized over the lease term on a straight-line basis and variable lease expense is recognized in the period incurred.

A lease that is terminated before expiration of its lease term would result in a derecognition of the lease liability and ROU lease asset, with the difference recorded in the income statement, reflected as other gain (loss). If a plan has been committed to abandon an ROU lease asset at a future date before the end of its lease term, amortization of the ROU lease asset is accelerated based on its revised useful life. If an ROU lease asset is abandoned with immediate effect and the carrying value of the loan, the difference ROU lease asset is recognized as provision for loan determined to be unrecoverable, an impairment loss and the cumulative loss allowance on the loan is charged off. The Company periodically evaluates foreclosed properties for subsequent decrease in fair value which is recorded as additional impairment loss. Fair value of foreclosed properties is generally based on third party appraisals, broker price opinions, comparable sales or a combination thereof.

### **Equity Investments**

A noncontrolling, unconsolidated ownership interest in an entity may be accounted for using one of: (i) equity method where applicable; (ii) fair value option if elected; (iii) fair value through earnings if fair value is readily determinable, including election of net asset value ("NAV") practical expedient where applicable; or (iv) for equity investments without readily determinable fair values, the measurement alternative to measure at cost adjusted for any impairment and observable price changes, as applicable.

Marketable equity securities are recorded as of trade date. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date ROU lease asset.

### **Financing Costs**

Debt discounts and is included in other income.

Fair value changes of equity method investments under the fair value option are recorded in earnings (losses) from equity method investments. Fair value changes of other equity investments, including adjustments for observable price changes under the measurement alternative, are recorded in other gain (loss).

### **Equity Method Investments**

The Company accounts for investments under the equity method of accounting if it has the ability to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of an entity, but does not have a controlling financial interest. The equity method investment is initially recorded at cost and adjusted each period for capital contributions, distributions and the Company's share of the entity's net income or loss premiums as well as debt issuance costs (except for revolving credit arrangements) are presented net against the associated debt on the balance sheet and amortized into interest expense using the effective interest method over the contractual term or expected life of the debt instrument. Costs incurred in connection with revolving credit arrangements are recorded as deferred financing costs in other comprehensive income assets, and amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected term of the credit facility.

### **Fee Revenue**

Fee revenue consists primarily of the following:

**Management Fees**—The Company earns management fees for providing investment management services to its sponsored private funds and other investment vehicles, portfolio companies and managed accounts, which constitute a series of distinct services satisfied over time. Management fees are recognized over the life of the investment vehicle as services are provided.

The governing documents of the investment vehicles may provide for certain fee credits or loss, offsets to management fees. Such amounts include primarily organizational costs of the investment vehicle in excess of prescribed thresholds, termination or similar fees paid in connection with unconsummated investments that are reimbursable by the investment vehicle, and directors' fees paid by portfolio companies to employees of the Company in their capacity as non-management directors. These fee credits or offsets represent a component of the transaction price for the Company's provision of investment management services and are applied to reduce management fees payable to the Company.

**Incentive Fees**—The Company is entitled to incentive fees from sub-advisory accounts in its Liquid Strategies. Incentive fees are determined based upon the performance of the respective accounts, subject to the achievement of specified return thresholds in accordance with the terms set out in their respective governing agreements. Incentive fees take the form of a contractual fee arrangement, and unlike carried interests, do not represent an allocation of returns among equity holders of an investment vehicle. Incentive fees are a form of variable consideration and are recognized when it is probable that a significant reversal of the cumulative revenue will not occur, which is generally at the end of the performance measurement period.

Management fees and incentive fees earned from consolidated funds and other investment vehicles are eliminated in consolidation. However, because the fees are funded by and earned from third party investors in these consolidated vehicles who represent noncontrolling interests, the Company's allocated share of net income or loss may differ from the stated ownership percentage interest in an entity if consolidated funds and other vehicles is increased by the governing documents prescribe a substantive non-proportionate earnings allocation formula amount of fees that are eliminated. Accordingly, the elimination of these fees does not affect net income (loss) attributable to DBRG.

### **Other Income**

Other income includes primarily the following:

**Cost Reimbursements from Affiliates**—For various services provided to certain affiliates, including managed investment vehicles, the Company is entitled to receive reimbursements of expenses incurred, generally based on expenses that are directly attributable to providing those services and/or a preferred return to certain investors. For certain equity method investments, portion of overhead costs. To the extent the Company records its proportionate share determines that it acts in the capacity of income a principal in the incurrence of such costs on behalf of the managed investment vehicle, the cost reimbursement is presented on a one to three month lag. Distributions of operating profits from equity method investments are reported as operating activities, while distributions gross basis in excess of operating profits are reported as investing activities other income and the expense in either investment-related expense or administrative expense in the statement consolidated statements of cash flows under operations in the cumulative earnings approach. period the costs are incurred. To the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of an agent, the cost reimbursement is presented on a net basis in the consolidated statements of operations.



*Property Operating Income*—2022 included lease income from a tower portfolio, acquired in June 2022 as a warehoused investment and transferred to a core equity fund in December 2022.

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### **Compensation**

Compensation comprises salaries, bonus including discretionary awards and contractual amounts for certain senior executives, benefits, severance payments, and equity-based compensation. Bonus is accrued over the employment period to which it relates.

*Carried Interest and Incentive Fee Compensation*—The Company's equity method investments include its interests as general partner or equivalent in investment vehicles that it sponsors. The Company recognizes earnings based on its proportionate share of results from these investment vehicles and This represents a disproportionate allocation of returns based on the extent to which cumulative performance exceeds minimum return hurdles pursuant to terms of their respective governing agreements ("carried interests").

Carried interest generally arises when appreciation in value of the underlying investments of the fund exceeds the minimum return hurdles, after factoring in a return of invested capital and a return of certain costs of the fund pursuant to terms of the governing documents of the fund. The amount portion of carried interest and incentive fees earned by the Company that are allocated to senior management, investment professionals and certain other employees of the Company. Carried interest and incentive fee compensation are generally recorded as the related carried interest and incentive fees are recognized in earnings by the Company. Carried interest compensation amounts may be reversed if there is based upon a decline in the cumulative performance carried interest amounts previously recognized by the Company. Carried interest and incentive fee compensation are generally not paid to management or other employees until the related carried interest and incentive fee amounts are distributed by the investment vehicles to the Company.

If the related carried interest distributions received by the Company are subject to clawback, the previously distributed carried interest compensation would be similarly subject to clawback from employees. The Company generally withholds a portion of the fund if it were liquidated as distribution of carried interest compensation to employees to satisfy their potential clawback obligation. The amount withheld resides in entities outside of the reporting date. Unrealized carried interest Company.

*Equity-Based Compensation*—Equity-classified stock awards granted to employees and non-employees that have a service condition and/or a market or performance condition are measured at fair value at date of grant.

A modification in the terms or conditions of an award, unless the change is driven primarily by changes in non-substantive, represents an exchange of the original award for a new award. The modified award is revalued and incremental compensation cost is recognized for the excess, if any, between fair value of the underlying investments award upon modification and fair value of the fund, award immediately prior to modification. Total compensation cost recognized for a modified award, however, cannot be less than its grant date fair value, unless at the time of modification, the service or performance condition of the original award was not expected to be satisfied. An award that is probable of vesting both before and after modification will result in incremental compensation cost only if terms affecting its estimate of fair value have been modified.

Liability-classified stock awards are remeasured at fair value at the end of each reporting period until the award is fully vested.

Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of each award, with the amount of compensation expense recognized at the end of a reporting period at least equal the portion of fair value of the respective award at grant date or modification date, as applicable, that has vested through that date. For awards with a performance condition, compensation expense is recognized only if and when it becomes probable that the performance condition will be met, with a cumulative adjustment from service inception date, and conversely, compensation cost is reversed to the extent it is no longer probable that the performance condition will be met. For awards with a market condition, compensation cost is not reversed if a market condition is not met so long as the requisite service has been rendered, as a market condition does not represent a vesting condition. Compensation expense is adjusted for actual forfeitures upon occurrence.

### **Income Taxes**

Provision for income taxes consists of a current and deferred component. Current income taxes represent income tax to be paid or refunded for the current period. The Company uses the asset and liability method to provide for income taxes, which could requires that the Company's income tax provision reflect the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets or liabilities for financial reporting versus for income tax purposes. Accordingly, a deferred tax asset or liability for each temporary difference is determined based on enacted tax rates that the Company expects to be affected in effect upon realization of the underlying amounts when they become deductible or taxable and the differences reverse. A deferred tax asset is also recognized for NOL, capital loss and tax credit carryforwards. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets is established if the Company believes it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized based upon the weight of all available positive and negative evidence. Realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the adequacy of future expected taxable income from all sources, including reversal of taxable temporary differences, forecasted earnings and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies. An established valuation allowance may be reversed in a future period if the Company subsequently determines it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax asset will become realizable.

#### *Uncertain Tax Positions*

Income tax benefits are recognized for uncertain tax positions that are more likely than not to be sustained based solely on their technical merits. Such uncertain tax positions are measured as the largest amount of benefit that is more

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likely than not to be realized upon settlement. The difference between the benefit recognized and the tax benefit claimed on a tax return results in an unrecognized tax benefit. The Company evaluates on a quarterly basis whether it is more likely than not that its uncertain tax positions would be sustained upon examination by a tax authority for all open tax years, as defined by the statute of limitations. The evaluation of uncertain tax positions is based upon various factors including, but not limited to, changes in tax law, measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in tax returns, the effective settlement of matters subject to audit, new audit activity, and changes in facts or circumstances related to a tax position.

Income tax related interests and penalties, if any, are included as a component of income tax benefit (expense).



## Earnings Per Share

The Company calculates basic earnings per share ("EPS") using the two-class method which defines unvested share based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends as participating securities. The two-class method is an allocation formula that determines EPS for each share of common stock and participating securities according to dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings. Under this method, all earnings (distributed and undistributed) are allocated to common shares and participating securities based on their respective rights to receive dividends. EPS is calculated by dividing earnings allocated to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted EPS is based upon the weighted-average number of common shares and the effect of potentially dilutive common share equivalents outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive common share equivalents represent the assumed issuance of common shares in settlement of certain arrangements if determined to be dilutive, generally based upon the more dilutive of the two-class method or the treasury stock method, or based upon the if-converted method for the assumed conversion of the Company's outstanding convertible notes. The earnings allocated to common shareholders is adjusted to add back the income or loss associated with the potentially dilutive instruments that are assumed to result in the issuance of common shares if determined to be dilutive, such as interest expense on the Company's convertible notes.

In circumstances where discontinued operations are reported, income from continuing operations is used as the benchmark to determine whether including potential common shares in diluted EPS computation would be antidilutive. Accordingly, if there is a loss from continuing operations and potential common shares would be antidilutive due to the loss, but there is net income after adjusting for discontinued operations, the potential common shares would be excluded from diluted EPS computation even though the effect on net income would be dilutive, because income from continuing operations is used as the benchmark.

## Discontinued Operations

If the disposition of a component, being an operating or reportable segment, business unit, subsidiary or asset group, represents a strategic shift that has or will have a major effect on the Company's operations and financial performance results, the operating profits or losses of the component when classified as held for sale, and the gain or loss upon disposition of the component, are presented as discontinued operations in the statements of operations.

A business or asset group acquired in connection with a business combination that meets the criteria to be accounted for as held for sale at the date of acquisition is reported as discontinued operations, regardless of whether it meets the strategic shift criterion.

The Company's discontinued operations in the periods presented herein represent: (i) the operations of digital infrastructure portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Company's former Operating segment; and (ii) the Company's former real estate investment and operations as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REIT"), along with an adjacent investment management business, which have since been disposed as part of the Company's transformation into an investment manager with a digital infrastructure focus. These former businesses comprised the following.

- The full deconsolidation of both portfolio companies in the former Operating segment on December 31, 2023 (as discussed in Note 9) represented a strategic shift that has major effect on the Company's operations and financial results, meeting the criteria as discontinued operations as of December 31, 2023. The Operating segment previously composed of balance sheet equity interests in two digital infrastructure portfolio companies, Vantage SDC and DataBank, a stabilized hyperscale and an edge colocation data center business, respectively. These portfolio companies directly held and operated data centers, earning rental income from providing use of data center space and/or capacity through leases, services and other tenant arrangements. Prior to deconsolidation and reclassification as discontinued operations, the assets, liabilities and operating results of DataBank and Vantage SDC were included in the Company's consolidated financial statements at historical cost in the former Operating

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segment, with the portion of operating results attributable to third party investors presented as noncontrolling interests in investment entities.

- The Company's equity method investment in BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (NYSE: BRSP) was sold in March 2023 for net proceeds totaling \$201.6 million. The Company's investment in BRSP qualified as held for sale in March 2023 and its disposition represented a strategic shift that has major effect on the Company's operations and financial results, meeting the criteria as discontinued operations as of March 2023. A \$9.7 million impairment of the BRSP shares was recorded in 2023 prior to its disposition.
- The Wellness Infrastructure business was disposed in February 2022, along with other non-core assets held by a subsidiary, NRF Holdco, LLC ("NRF Holdco"). The equity of NRF Holdco was sold for \$281 million, in a combination of cash and a \$155 million unsecured promissory note. The promissory note was fully written down in March 2023, as discussed in Note 11. The disposition of NRF Holdco resulted in a write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs on the Wellness Infrastructure debt assumed by the buyer of \$92.1 million and additional impairment loss based upon final carrying value of the Wellness Infrastructure net assets in 2022, with \$251.7 million of impairment loss having already been recorded in 2021 based upon the selling price.
- The Company's equity interests in its non-digital investment portfolio, which included real estate, real estate-related equity and debt investments, along with an adjacent investment management business, was substantively disposed in a bulk sale in December 2021, with a write-down in the value of the assets based upon the selling price recorded in 2021 prior to disposition. A small number of investments excluded from this bulk sale continue to be disposed over time.
- The Hospitality business was disposed in March 2021. Additionally, a hotel portfolio that was in receivership was sold by the lender in September 2021 which had resulted in a \$54.2 million gain on debt extinguishment.

Income (Loss) from discontinued operations is summarized as follows.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Property operating income	\$ 774,226	\$ 953,727	\$ 1,500,032
Other income	8,895	21,559	106,826
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>783,121</b>	<b>975,286</b>	<b>1,606,858</b>
Property operating expense	329,762	412,924	779,074

Interest expense	174,722	268,519	380,272
Depreciation and amortization	448,900	534,979	592,202
Compensation and other expenses	136,097	203,669	277,730
Impairment loss	—	35,985	317,405
Equity method earnings (losses)	(15,188)	(45,489)	(192,478)
Other gain (loss), net	2,671	13,682	120,753
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes</b>	<b>(318,877)</b>	<b>(512,597)</b>	<b>(811,550)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(1,581)	2,413	29,175
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations</b>	<b>(320,458)</b>	<b>(510,184)</b>	<b>(782,375)</b>
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Investment entities	(260,120)	(302,072)	(528,125)
Operating Company	(4,339)	(15,893)	(24,465)
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (55,999)</b>	<b>\$ (192,219)</b>	<b>\$ (229,785)</b>

#### Assets and Liabilities of Discontinued Operations

Assets of the former Operating segment were not held for disposition prior to their deconsolidation and qualification as discontinued operations on December 31, 2023. All other assets of discontinued operations were held for disposition prior to their sale.

The Company initially measures assets classified as held for disposition at the lower of their carrying amounts or fair value less disposal costs. For bulk sale transactions, the unit of account is the disposal group, with any excess of the aggregate carrying value over estimated fair value less costs to sell allocated to the individual assets within the group.

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(In thousands)	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	—	\$	62,690
Restricted cash		—		113,631
Real estate		—		5,921,298
Investments		1,342		280,019
Goodwill		—		463,120
Intangible assets		—		1,006,469
Other assets		356		573,368
<b>Total assets of discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,698</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,420,595</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Debt	\$	—	\$	4,586,765
Lease intangibles and other liabilities		153		755,377
<b>Total liabilities of discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,342,142</b>

#### Reclassifications

As discussed in "—Discontinued Operations," the Company's investment in BRSP and the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Company's former Operating segment qualified as discontinued operations in March 2023 and December 2023, respectively. For all prior periods presented: (i) on the December 31, 2022 consolidated balance sheets, the equity method investment in BRSP (2022: \$218.0 million previously included in equity and debt investments) and the assets of the portfolio company, economic conditions, foreign exchange rates, comparable transactions companies previously consolidated in the market, former Operating segment totaling \$8.1 billion have been reclassified to assets of discontinued operations, while the liabilities of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$5.3 billion have been reclassified to liabilities of discontinued operations; and (ii) on the 2022 and 2021 consolidated statements of operations, the loss from BRSP of \$37.3 million in 2022 and earnings of \$41.2 million in 2021, previously included in equity method earnings (losses), and the net loss of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$324.2 million in 2022 and \$223.5 million in 2021 have been reclassified to income (loss) from discontinued operation.

In 2023, the Company also determined that principal investment income from its equity interest as general partner and general partner affiliate in its sponsored investment vehicles, and its entitlement to carried interest allocation, represent a core component of returns in its investment management business. Accordingly, beginning in 2023, principal investment income and carried interest allocation are now presented within total revenues on the consolidated statements of operations, previously presented as equity method earnings (losses) and equity prices for publicly traded securities. Unrealized method earnings—carried interest, may be subject respectively, both of which are no longer applicable as separate financial statement line items following the changes discussed herein. Prior periods have been reclassified to reversal until such time it conform to current presentation.

#### Accounting Policies Related to Real Estate

Accounting policies related to real estate are applicable to continuing operations in 2022 and to discontinued operations in all periods presented.

### Real Estate Acquisitions

Real estate acquisitions are considered asset acquisitions and are recognized based on their cost to the Company as the acquirer and no gain or loss is realized.

Realization recognized. The cost of carried interest occurs upon disposition of all underlying investments of assets acquired are allocated among the fund, or in part with each disposition.

Generally, carried interest is distributed upon profitable disposition of an investment if acquired components based on their relative fair values at the time of distribution, cumulative returns of the fund exceed minimum return hurdles. Depending on the final realized value of all investments at the end of the life of a fund (and, with respect acquisition, and does not give rise to certain funds, periodically during the life of the fund), if it is determined that cumulative carried interest distributions have exceeded the final carried interest amount earned (or amount earned goodwill. Such components include land, building, site and building improvements, infrastructure, equipment, lease-related tangible and intangible assets and liabilities, such as of the calculation date), the Company is obligated to return the excess carried interest received. Therefore, carried interest distributions may be subject to clawback if decline in investment tenant improvements, deferred leasing costs, in-place lease values, results in cumulative performance of the fund falling below minimum return hurdles in the interim period. If it is determined that the Company has a clawback obligation, a liability would be established based upon a hypothetical liquidation of the net assets of the fund at reporting date, above- and below-market lease values, and tenant relationships. The actual determination and required payment of any clawback obligation would generally occur after final disposition of the investments of the fund or otherwise as set forth in the governing documents of the fund.

### Impairment

Evaluation of impairment applies to equity method investments and equity investments under the measurement alternative. If indicators of impairment exist, the Company will first estimate the estimated fair value of its investment. In assessing fair value, acquired land is derived from recent comparable sales of land and listings within the Company generally considers, among others, the same local region based on available market data. The estimated enterprise value of the investee or fair value of acquired buildings and building improvements is derived from comparable sales, discounted cash flow analysis using market-based assumptions, or replacement cost for a similar property, as appropriate. The fair value of site and tenant improvements and infrastructure assets are estimated based upon current market replacement costs and other relevant market rate information. Transaction costs related to acquisition of assets are included in the investee's underlying net cost basis of the assets acquired. Contingent consideration in connection with the acquisition of assets (and that is not a VIE) is generally recognized when the liability is considered both probable and reasonably estimable, as part of the basis of the acquired assets.

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### Previously warehoused investment

In June 2022, the Company acquired the mobile telecommunications tower business ("TowerCo") of Telenet Group Holding NV (Euronext Brussels: TNET) for €740.1 million or \$791.3 million (including transaction costs). In December 2022, the Company's interest in the temporarily warehoused TowerCo investment was transferred to the Company's new core equity fund and TowerCo was deconsolidated.

The TowerCo assets acquired had included owned tower sites, tower sites subject to third party leases that gave rise to ROU lease assets and corresponding lease liabilities, equipment, as well as customer relationships related primarily to a master lease agreement with Telenet as lessee. The acquisition had been funded through \$326.1 million of debt, \$278.1 million of equity from the Company, and \$213.8 million in third party equity. In addition to the purchase price, the funds had been used to finance transaction costs, debt issuance costs, working capital and as operating cash.

The following table summarizes the allocation of cash consideration to TowerCo assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including capitalized transaction costs, in 2022.

(In thousands)	
Real estate	\$ 363,121
Intangible assets	673,218
ROU and other assets	234,462
Deferred tax liabilities	(243,223)
Lease and other liabilities	(236,324)
Fair value of net assets acquired	\$ 791,254

- Real estate was valued based upon current replacement cost for towers in consideration of their remaining economic life. Useful lives of towers and related equipment acquired range from 11 to 71 years.
- Lease-related intangibles were composed of the following:
  - In-place leases reflect the value of rental income forgone if the towers acquired were not leased, discounted at 6.8%, with remaining lease terms of 15 years.
  - Customer relationships for towers were valued as the estimated future cash flows to be generated over the life of the tenant relationships based upon rental rates, operating costs, expected renewal terms and attrition, discounted at 6.8%, with estimated useful lives between 19 and 45 years.
- Deferred tax liabilities were recognized for the book-to-tax basis differences associated with the TowerCo acquisition.
- Other assets acquired and liabilities assumed include primarily lease ROU assets associated with leasehold ground space hosting tower communication sites, along with corresponding lease liabilities. Lease liabilities were measured based upon the present value of future lease payments over the lease term, discounted at the incremental borrowing rate of the acquiree entity.

In 2022, prior to transfer, TowerCo generated lease income of \$43.0 million, and incurred depreciation expense of \$8.8 million, and amortization expense of \$9.9 million, presented within Corporate and Other.

## Real Estate Held for Investment

Real estate held for investment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation.

**Costs Capitalized or Expensed**—Expenditures for ordinary repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred, while expenditures for significant renovations that improve or extend the useful life of the asset are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

**Depreciation**—Real estate held for investment, other than land, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally up to 50 years for buildings, 40 years for site and building improvements, 30 years for data center infrastructure, and 8 years for furniture, fixtures and equipment. Tenant improvements are amortized over the lesser of the useful life or the remaining term of the lease.

**Impairment**—The Company evaluates its real estate held for investment for impairment periodically or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. The Company evaluates real estate for impairment generally on an individual property basis. If an impairment indicator exists, the Company evaluates the undiscounted future net cash flows that are expected to be generated by the investee as applicable, and for equity method investees with publicly traded equity, property, including any estimated proceeds from the traded price eventual disposition of the equity securities in an active market, property. If multiple outcomes are under consideration, the Company may apply either a probability-weighted cash flows approach or the single-most-likely estimate of cash flows

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For investments approach, whichever is more appropriate under the measurement alternative, circumstances. Based upon the analysis, if the carrying value of a property exceeds its undiscounted future net cash flows, an impairment loss is recognized for the excess of the carrying value of the investment exceeds its property over the estimated fair value, an impairment is deemed to have occurred.

For equity method investments, further consideration is made if a decrease in value of the investment is other-than-temporary to determine if property. In evaluating and/or measuring impairment, loss should be recognized. Assessment of other-than-temporary impairment ("OTTI") involves management judgment, including, but not limited to, consideration the Company considers, among other things, current and estimated future cash flows associated with each property for the duration of the investee's financial condition, operating results, business prospects estimated hold period of each property, market information for each sub-market, including, where applicable, competition levels, foreclosure levels, leasing trends, occupancy trends, lease or room rates, and creditworthiness, the market prices of similar properties recently sold or currently being offered for sale, expected capitalization rates at exit, and other quantitative and qualitative factors. Another key consideration in this assessment is the Company's ability assumptions about the highest and intent to hold the investment until recovery best use of its carrying value, or a significant and prolonged decline in traded price of the investee's equity security. If management is unable to reasonably assert that an impairment is temporary or believes that the Company may not fully recover the carrying value of its investment, then the impairment is considered to be other-than-temporary.

Investments that are other-than-temporarily impaired are written down to their estimated fair value. Impairment loss is recorded in equity method earnings for equity method real estate investments and in other gain (loss) for investments under the measurement alternative.

## Loans Receivable

Loans that the Company has the its intent and ability to hold them for a reasonable period that would allow for the foreseeable future are classified as held for investment. Loans that recovery of their carrying values. If such assumptions change and the Company intends to sell or liquidate shortens its expected hold period, this may result in the foreseeable future are classified as held for disposition.

Interest income is recognized based upon contractual interest rate and unpaid principal balance of the loans. Loans that are past due 90 days or more as to principal or interest, or where reasonable doubt exists as to timely collection, are generally considered nonperforming, with reversal of interest income and suspension of interest income recognition. Recognition of interest income may be restored when all principal and interest are current and full repayment of the remaining contractual principal and interest are reasonably assured.

The Company has elected the fair value option for all loans receivable.

Loan fair values are generally determined either: by comparing the current yield to the estimated yield of newly originated loans with similar credit risk or the market yield at which a third party might expect to purchase such investment; or based upon discounted cash flow projections of principal and interest expected to be collected, which projections include, but are not limited to, consideration of the financial standing of the borrower or sponsor as well as operating results and/or value of the underlying collateral.

For loans that are nonperforming where recognition of interest income is suspended, any interest subsequently collected is recognized on a cash basis by crediting income when received.

Origination and other fees charged to the borrower are recognized immediately as interest income when earned. Costs to originate or purchase loans are expensed as incurred.

## Debt Securities

Debt securities are recorded as of the trade date. Debt securities designated as available-for-sale ("AFS") are carried at fair value with unrealized gains or losses included as a component of other comprehensive income. Upon disposition of AFS debt securities, the cumulative gains or losses in other comprehensive income (loss) that are realized are recognized in other gain (loss), net, on the statement of operations based on specific identification.

**Interest Income**—Interest income from debt securities, including stated coupon interest payments and amortization of purchase premiums or discounts, is recognized using the effective interest method over the expected lives of the debt securities.

For beneficial interests in debt securities that are not of high credit quality (generally credit rating below AA) or that can be contractually settled such that the Company would not recover substantially all of its recorded investment, interest income is recognized as the accretable yield over the life of the securities using the effective yield method. The accretable yield is the excess of current expected cash flows to be collected over the net investment in the security, including the yield accreted to date. The Company evaluates estimated future cash flows expected to be collected on a quarterly basis, starting with the first full quarter after acquisition, or earlier if conditions indicating impairment are present. If the cash flows expected to be collected cannot be reasonably estimated, either at acquisition or in subsequent evaluation, the Company may consider placing the securities on nonaccrual, with interest income recognized using the cost recovery method, losses.

**Impairment**—The Company performs an assessment, at least quarterly, to determine whether its AFS debt securities are considered to be impaired; that is, if their fair value is less than their amortized cost basis.

If the Company intends to sell the impaired debt security or is more likely than not will be required to sell the debt security before recovery of its amortized cost, the entire impairment amount is recognized in earnings within other gain (loss) as a write-off of the amortized cost basis of the debt security.

If the Company does not intend to sell or is not more likely than not required to sell the debt security before recovery of its amortized cost, the credit component of the loss is recognized in earnings within other gain (loss) as an allowance for credit loss, which may be subject to reversal for subsequent recoveries in fair value. The non-credit loss component is recognized in other comprehensive income or loss ("OCI"). The allowance is charged off against the amortized cost basis of the security if in a subsequent period, the Company intends to or more likely than not will be required to sell the security, or if the Company deems the security to be uncollectible.

In assessing impairment and estimating future expected cash flows, factors considered include, but are not limited to, credit rating of the security, financial condition of the issuer, defaults for similar securities, performance and value of assets underlying an asset-backed security.

#### **Identifiable Intangibles**

In a business combination or asset acquisition, the Company may recognize identifiable intangibles that meet either or both the contractual legal criterion or the separability criterion. An indefinite-lived intangible is not subject to amortization until such time that its useful life is determined to no longer be indefinite, at which point, it will be assessed for impairment and its adjusted carrying amount amortized over its remaining useful life. Finite-lived intangibles are amortized over their useful life in a manner that reflects the pattern in which the intangible is being consumed if readily determinable, such as based upon expected cash flows; otherwise they are amortized on a straight-line basis. The useful life of all identified intangibles will be periodically reassessed and if useful life changes, the carrying amount of the intangible will be amortized prospectively over the revised useful life.

The Company's identifiable intangible assets are generally valued under the income approach, using an estimate of future net cash flows, discounted based upon risk-adjusted returns for similar underlying assets.

**Lease-Related Intangibles**—Identifiable intangibles recognized in acquisitions of operating real estate include in-place leases, deferred leasing costs, above- or below-market leases, and tenant relationships.

In-place leases generate value over and above the tangible real estate because a property that is occupied with leased space is typically worth more than a vacant building without a lease contract in place. Acquired in-place leases are valued as the forgone rental income had the property been acquired in an as if vacant state, using market data on comparable and recently signed leases. Deferred leasing costs represent leasing commissions and legal fees that would otherwise have been incurred if a lease was not in-place. Acquired in-place leases and deferred leasing costs are amortized on a straight-line basis to depreciation and amortization expense over the remaining term of the applicable leases. If an in-place lease is terminated, the unamortized portion is charged to depreciation and amortization expense.

The value of the above- or below-market component of acquired leases represents the difference between contractual rents of acquired leases and market rents at the time of the acquisition for the remaining lease term. Above- or below-market operating lease values are amortized on a straight-line basis as a decrease or increase to rental income, respectively, over the applicable lease terms. This includes fixed rate renewal options in acquired leases that are assumed to be renewed if below market, which are amortized to increase rental income over the renewal period.

Tenant relationships represent the estimated net cash flows attributable to the likelihood of lease renewal by an existing tenant relative to the cost of obtaining a new lease, taking into consideration the time it would take to execute a new lease or backfill a vacant space. Tenant relationships are amortized on a straight-line basis to depreciation and amortization expense over its estimated useful life.

**Investment Management Intangibles**—Identifiable intangibles recognized in acquisition of an investment management business generally include management contracts, which represent contractual rights to future fee income revenue from in-place management contracts that is

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are amortized based upon expected cash flows over the remaining term of the contracts; and investor relationships, which represent potential fee income revenue generated from future reinvestment by existing investors that is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life.

**Other Intangible Assets**—In addition to leasing activities, data center operators provide various data center services to their customers, largely in the colocation business, which give rise to customer service contract and customer relationship intangible assets in an acquisition of operating data centers. Customer service contracts are valued based upon an estimate of net cash flows from providing data center services that would have been forgone if these service contracts were not in place, taking into consideration the time it would take to execute a new contract. Customer service contracts are amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining term of the respective contracts, and if the service contract is terminated, the remaining unamortized balance is charged off. Customer relationships represent incremental

net cash flows to the business that is attributable to these in-place relationships, and is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life.

**Trade** include trade names, which are recognized as a separate identifiable intangible asset to the extent the Company intends to continue using the trade name post-acquisition. Trade names are valued as the savings from royalty fees that would have otherwise been incurred. Trade names are amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life, or not amortized if they are determined to have an indefinite useful life.

#### Impairment

Identifiable intangible assets are reviewed periodically to determine if circumstances exist which may indicate a potential impairment. If such circumstances are considered to exist, the Company evaluates if carrying value of the intangible asset is recoverable based upon an undiscounted cash flow analysis. Impairment loss is recognized for the excess, if any, of carrying value over estimated fair value of the intangible asset. An impairment establishes a new basis for the intangible asset and any impairment loss recognized is not subject to subsequent reversal.

Impairment analysis on lease intangible assets is performed in connection with the impairment assessment of the related real estate. In evaluating investment management intangibles for impairment, such as management contracts and investor relationships, the Company considers various factors that may affect future fee income, revenue, including but not limited to, changes in fee basis, amendments to contractual fee terms, and projected capital raising for future investment vehicles. Indefinite life trade names are impaired if the Company determines that it no longer intends to use the trade name.

#### **Goodwill**

Goodwill is an unidentifiable intangible asset and is recognized as a residual, generally measured as the excess of consideration transferred in a business combination over the identifiable assets acquired, liabilities assumed and noncontrolling interests in the acquiree. Goodwill is assigned to reporting units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the business combination.

Goodwill is tested for impairment at the reporting units to which it is assigned at least on an annual basis in the fourth quarter of each year, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances occur that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying value, including goodwill. The assessment of goodwill for impairment may initially be performed based on qualitative factors to determine if it is more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit to which the goodwill is assigned is less than its carrying value, including goodwill. If so, a quantitative assessment is performed to identify both the existence of impairment and the amount of impairment loss. The Company may bypass the qualitative assessment and proceed directly to performing a quantitative assessment to compare the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying value, including goodwill. Impairment is measured as the excess of carrying value over fair value of the reporting unit, with the loss recognized limited to the amount of goodwill assigned to that reporting unit.

An impairment establishes a new basis for goodwill and any impairment loss recognized is not subject to subsequent reversal. Goodwill impairment tests require judgment, including identification of reporting units, assignment of assets and liabilities to reporting units, assignment of goodwill to reporting units, and determination of the fair value of each reporting unit.

#### **Accounts Receivable and Related Allowance**

*Property Operating Income Receivables (excluding lease income receivables)*—The Company periodically evaluates aged receivables and considers the collectability of unbilled receivables. The Company estimates allowance for doubtful accounts for specific accounts receivable balances based upon historical collection trends, age of outstanding accounts receivables and existing economic conditions associated with the receivables.

*Cost Reimbursements and Recoverable Expenses*—The Company is entitled to reimbursements and/or recovers certain costs paid on behalf of investment vehicles sponsored by the Company, which include: (i) organization and offering costs associated with the formation and capital raising of the investment vehicles up to specified thresholds; (ii) costs incurred in performing investment due diligence; and (iii) direct and indirect operating costs associated with managing the operations of certain investment vehicles. Indirect operating costs are recorded as expenses of the Company when incurred and amounts allocated and reimbursable are recorded as other income in the consolidated statements of operations, operations on a gross basis to the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of a principal in the incurrence of such costs. The Company facilitates the payments of organization and offering costs, due diligence costs to the extent the related investments are consummated and direct operating costs, all of which are recorded as due from affiliates on the consolidated balance sheets, until such amounts are repaid. Due diligence costs related to unconsummated investments that are borne by the Company are expensed as transaction-related costs in the consolidated statement of operations.

The Company assesses the collectability of such receivables and establishes an allowance for any balances considered not collectable.

#### **Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets of the Company are presented within other assets and carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Ordinary repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Major replacements and betterments which improve or extend the life of assets are capitalized and depreciated over their useful life. Depreciation and amortization is recognized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the assets, which range between 3 and 7 years for furniture, fixtures, equipment and capitalized software, and over the shorter of the lease term or useful life for leasehold improvements.

#### **Transfers of Financial Assets**

Sale accounting for transfers of financial assets is limited to the transfer of an entire financial asset, a group of financial assets in its entirety, or a component of a financial asset which meets the definition of a participating interest with characteristics that are similar to the original financial asset.

Transfers of financial assets are accounted for as sales when control over the assets has been surrendered. If the Company has any continuing involvement, rights or obligations with the transferred financial asset (outside of standard representations and warranties), sale accounting requires that the transfer meets the following conditions: (1) the transferred asset has been legally isolated; (2) the transferee has the right (free of conditions that constrain it from taking advantage of that right) to pledge or exchange the transferred asset; and (3) the Company does not maintain effective control over the transferred asset through an agreement that provides for (a) both an entitlement and an obligation by the Company to repurchase or redeem the asset before its maturity, (b) the unilateral ability by the Company to reclaim the asset and a more than trivial benefit attributable to that ability, or (c) the transferee requiring the Company to repurchase the asset at a price so favorable to the transferee that it is probable the repurchase will occur.

If the criteria for sale accounting are met, the transferred financial asset is removed from the balance sheet and a net gain or loss is recognized upon sale, taking into account any retained interests. Transfers of financial assets that do not meet the criteria for sale are accounted for as financing transactions.

#### **Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities**

The Company may use derivative instruments to manage its interest rate risk and foreign currency risk. The Company does not use derivative instruments for speculative or trading purposes. All derivative instruments are recorded at fair value and included in other assets or other liabilities on a gross basis on the balance sheet. The accounting for



changes in fair value of derivatives depends upon whether the derivative has been designated in a hedging relationship and qualifies for hedge accounting.

Changes in fair value of derivatives not designated as accounting hedges are recorded in the statement of operations in other gain (loss).

For designated accounting hedges, the relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items, risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the accounting hedges as well as the methods to assess the effectiveness of the derivative prospectively and retrospectively, are formally documented at inception. Hedge effectiveness relates to the amount by which the gain or loss on the designated derivative instrument exactly offsets the change in the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk. If it is determined that a derivative is not expected to be or has ceased to be highly effective at hedging the designated exposure, hedge accounting is discontinued.

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**Cash Flow Hedges**—The Company may use interest rate caps and swaps to hedge its exposure to interest rate fluctuations in forecasted interest payments on floating rate debt and may designate as cash flow hedges. Changes in fair value of the derivative is recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), or AOCI "AOCI," and reclassified into earnings when the hedged item affects earnings. If the derivative in a cash flow hedge is terminated or the hedge designation is removed, related amounts in AOCI are reclassified into earnings when the hedged item affects earnings.

**Net Investment Hedges**—The Company may use foreign currency hedges to protect the value of its net investments in foreign subsidiaries or equity investees whose functional currencies are not U.S. dollars. Changes in fair value of derivatives used as hedges of net investment in foreign operations are recorded in the cumulative translation adjustment account within AOCI.

At the end of each quarter, the Company reassesses the effectiveness of its net investment hedges and as appropriate, dedesignates the portion of the derivative notional that is in excess of the beginning balance of its net investments as undesignated hedges.

Release of amounts in AOCI related to net investment hedges occurs upon losing a controlling financial interest in an investment or obtaining control over an equity method investment. Upon sale, complete or substantially complete liquidation of an investment in a foreign subsidiary, or partial sale of an equity method investment, the gain or loss on the related net investment hedge is reclassified from AOCI to earnings.

#### **Leases**

As lessee, the Company determines if an arrangement contains a lease and determines the classification of a leasing arrangement at its inception. A lease is classified as a finance lease, which represents a financed purchase of the leased asset, if the lease meets any of the following criteria: (a) asset ownership is transferred to lessee by end of lease term; (b) option to purchase asset is reasonably certain to be exercised by lessee; (c) the lease term is for a major part of the remaining economic life of the asset; (d) the present value of lease payments equals or exceeds substantially the fair value of the asset; or (e) the asset is of such a specialized nature that it is expected to have no alternative use at end of lease term. A lease is classified as an operating lease when none of the criteria are met. The Company also made the accounting policy election to treat lease and nonlease components in a lease contract as a single component.

The Company's leasing arrangements are composed primarily of operating ground leases for investment properties, operating leases for its corporate offices and, prior to the deconsolidation of the subsidiaries in the Operating Segment, finance and operating leases for data centers, operating ground leases for other investment properties, and operating leases for its corporate offices, centers.

Short-term leases are not recorded on the balance sheet, with lease payments expensed on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Short-term leases are defined as leases which at commencement date, has a lease term of 12 months or less and does not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise.

For leases with terms greater than 12 months, a lessee's rights to use the leased asset and obligation to make future lease payments are recognized on balance sheet at lease commencement date as a right-of-use ("ROU") lease asset and a lease liability, respectively. The lease liability is measured based upon the present value of future lease payments over the lease term, discounted at the incremental borrowing rate. Variable lease payments are excluded and are recognized as lease expense as incurred. Lease renewal or termination options are taken into account only if it is reasonably certain that the option would be exercised. As an implicit rate is not readily determinable in most leases, an estimated incremental borrowing rate is applied, which is the interest rate that the Company or its subsidiary, where applicable, would have to pay to borrow an amount equal to the lease payments, on a collateralized basis over the lease term. In estimating incremental borrowing rates, consideration is given to recent debt financing transactions by the Company or its subsidiaries as well as publicly available data for debt instruments with similar characteristics, adjusted for the lease term. The ROU lease asset is measured based upon the corresponding lease liability, reduced by any lease incentives and adjusted to include capitalized initial direct leasing costs.

The Company's ROU lease asset is presented within other assets and is amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its useful life or remaining lease term. The Company's lease liability is presented within accrued and other liabilities. The lease liability is (a) reduced by lease payments made during the period; and (b) accreted to the balance as of the beginning of the period based upon the discount rate used at lease commencement. For finance leases, periodic lease payments are allocated between (i) interest expense, calculated based upon the incremental borrowing rate determined at commencement, to produce a constant periodic interest rate on the remaining balance of the lease liability, and (ii) reduction of lease liability. The combination of periodic interest expense and amortization expense on the ROU lease asset effectively reflects installment purchases on the financed leased asset, and results in a front-loaded expense recognition. Higher interest expense is recorded in the early periods as a constant interest rate is applied to the finance

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lease liability and the liability decreases over the lease term as cash payments are made. For operating leases, fixed lease expense is recognized over the lease term on a straight-line basis and variable lease expense is recognized in the period incurred.



A lease that is terminated before expiration of its lease term would result in a derecognition of the lease liability and ROU lease asset, with the difference recorded in the income statement, reflected as other gain (loss). If a plan has been committed to abandon an ROU lease asset at a future date before the end of its lease term, amortization of the ROU lease asset is accelerated based on its revised useful life. If an ROU lease asset is abandoned with immediate effect and the carrying value of the ROU lease asset is determined to be unrecoverable, an impairment loss is recognized on the ROU lease asset.

### **Financing Costs**

Debt discounts and premiums as well as debt issuance costs (except for revolving credit arrangements) are presented net against the associated debt on the balance sheet and amortized into interest expense using the effective interest method over the contractual term or expected life of the debt instrument. Costs incurred in connection with revolving credit arrangements are recorded as deferred financing costs in other assets, and amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected term of the credit facility.

### **Property Operating Income**

Property operating income includes the following:

#### **Lease Income**

The Company's lease income is composed of (i) fixed lease income for rents, and for interconnection services and a committed amount of power related to contracted data center leased space; and (ii) variable lease income for tenant reimbursements, installation services of Company-owned data center equipment and additional metered power reimbursements based upon usage by data center tenants at prevailing rates.

As lessor, the classification of a lease as a sales-type lease is similar to the criteria for a finance lease as lessee (discussed above). If none of the criteria are met, a lease may be classified as a direct financing lease if there is a residual value guarantee from an unrelated third party. Otherwise, all other leases are classified as operating, including leases with variable lease payments that are not based upon a rate or index where classification as sales-type or direct financing lease would result in a loss to the Company at lease commencement.

The Company's lease contracts contain lease components, such as leased data center space and equipment, and nonlease components, such as tenant reimbursements for net leases, interconnection services, installation services of Company-owned data center equipment and payments for power by data center tenants. As lessor, the Company made the accounting policy election to account for the lease components and nonlease components in its lease contracts as a single component in instances where the lease component is predominant, the timing and pattern of transfer for the lease and nonlease components are the same (i.e., provided on a consistent basis over the same time period), and the lease component, if accounted for separately, would be classified as an operating lease.

#### **Rental Income and Tenant Reimbursements**

Rental income is recognized on a straight-line basis over the noncancelable term of the related lease which includes the effects of minimum rent increases and rent abatements under the lease. Rents received in advance are deferred.

In net lease arrangements, the tenant is generally responsible for operating expenses relating to the property, including real estate taxes, property insurance, maintenance, repairs and improvements. Costs reimbursable from tenants and other recoverable costs are recognized as revenue in the period the recoverable costs are incurred. When the Company is the primary obligor with respect to purchasing goods and services for property operations and has discretion in selecting the supplier and retains credit risk, tenant reimbursement revenue and property operating expenses are presented on a gross basis in the statements of operations. For net leases where the lessee self-manages the property, hires its own service providers and retains credit risk for routine maintenance contracts, no reimbursement revenue and expense are recognized. For property taxes and insurance, amounts paid directly by lessees to third parties on behalf of the Company are not recognized in the statement of operations, while amounts paid by the Company and reimbursed by lessees are presented gross as property operating income and expenses. Also, sales and similar taxes assessed by a governmental authority that is imposed on specific lease income producing transactions are netted against related collections from lessees.

When it is determined that the Company is the owner of tenant improvements, the cost to construct the tenant improvements, including costs paid for or reimbursed from the tenants, is capitalized. For Company-owned tenant improvements, the amounts funded by or reimbursed from the tenants are recorded as deferred revenue, which is amortized on a straight-line basis as additional rental income over the term of the related lease. Rental income recognition commences when the leased space is substantially ready for its intended use and the tenant takes possession of the leased space.

When it is determined that the tenant is the owner of tenant improvements, the Company's contribution towards those improvements is recorded as a lease incentive, included in deferred leasing costs and intangible assets on the balance sheet, and amortized as a reduction to rental income on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Rental income recognition commences when the tenant takes possession of the lease space.

**Collectability**—The Company evaluates collectability of lease payments based upon the creditworthiness of the lessee and recognizes lease income only to the extent collection of all amounts due over the life of the lease is determined to be probable. If collection is subsequently determined to no longer be probable, any previously accrued lease income that has not been collected is subject to reversal. If collection is subsequently determined to be probable, lease income and corresponding receivable would be reestablished to an amount that would have been recognized if collection had always been deemed to be probable.

**Costs to Execute Lease**—Only incremental costs of obtaining a lease, such as leasing commissions, qualify as initial direct leasing costs to be capitalized. Indirect costs such as allocated overhead, certain legal fees and negotiation costs are expensed as incurred.

#### **Resident Fee Income**

Resident fee income, presented within discontinued operations, was earned from senior housing operating facilities that operate through management agreements with independent third-party operators. Resident fee income related to independent living and assisted living facilities was recorded when services were rendered based on terms of their

respective lease agreements. The Company's healthcare business was sold in February 2022.

#### Data Center Service Revenue

The Company earns data center service revenue, primarily composed of cloud services, data storage, data protection, network services, software licensing, other services related to installation of customer equipment, and other related information technology services, which are recognized as services are provided to data center customers.

#### Hotel Operating Income

Hotel operating income, presented within discontinued operations, included room revenue, food and beverage sales and other ancillary services. Revenue was recognized upon occupancy of rooms, consummation of sales and provision of services. The Company's hotel business was sold in March 2021, with one remaining portfolio that was in receivership sold by the lender in September 2021.

#### Fee Income

Fee income revenue consists primarily of the following:

**Management Fees**—The Company earns management fees for providing investment management services to its sponsored private funds and other investment vehicles, portfolio companies and managed accounts, which constitute a series of distinct services satisfied over time. Management fees are recognized over the life of the investment vehicle as services are provided.

The governing documents of the investment vehicles may provide for certain fee credits or offsets to management fees. Such amounts include primarily organizational costs of the investment vehicle in excess of prescribed thresholds, termination or similar fees paid in connection with unconsummated investments that are reimbursable by the investment vehicle, and directors' fees paid by portfolio companies to employees of the Company in their capacity as non-management directors. These fee credits or offsets represent a component of the transaction price for the Company's provision of investment management services and are applied to reduce management fees payable to the Company.

**Incentive Fees**—The Company is entitled to incentive fees from sub-advisory accounts in its Liquid Strategies. Incentive fees are determined based upon the performance of the respective accounts, subject to the achievement of specified return thresholds in accordance with the terms set out in their respective governing agreements. Incentive fees take the form of a contractual fee arrangement, and unlike carried interests, do not represent an allocation of returns among equity holders of an investment vehicle. Incentive fees are a form of variable consideration and are recognized when it is probable that a significant reversal of the cumulative revenue will not occur, which is generally at the end of the performance measurement period.

Management fees and incentive fees earned from consolidated funds and other investment vehicles are eliminated in consolidation. However, because the fees are funded by and earned from third party investors in these consolidated vehicles who represent noncontrolling interests, the Company's allocated share of net income from the consolidated funds and other vehicles is increased by the amount of fees that are eliminated. Accordingly, the elimination of these fees does not affect net income (loss) attributable to DBRG.

#### Other Income

Recurring other Other income includes primarily the following:

**Cost Reimbursements from Affiliates**—For various services provided to certain affiliates, including managed investment vehicles, the Company is entitled to receive reimbursements of expenses incurred, generally based on expenses that are directly attributable to providing those services and/or a portion of overhead costs. The To the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of a principal under these arrangements. Accordingly, in the Company records incurrence of such costs on behalf of the expenses and corresponding managed investment vehicle, the cost reimbursement income is presented on a gross basis in other income and the expense in either investment-related expense or administrative expense in the consolidated statements of operations in the period the services are rendered and costs are incurred. To the extent the Company determines that it acts in the capacity of an agent, the cost reimbursement is presented on a net basis in the consolidated statements of operations.

**Property Operating Income**—2022 included lease income from a tower portfolio, acquired in June 2022 as a warehoused investment and transferred to a core equity fund in December 2022.

**Equity Awards Granted by Managed Companies**—These were equity awards granted to the Company to be granted [Table of Contents](#) to its employees or granted directly to its employees by BrightSpire Capital, Inc. ("BRSP"), a publicly-traded REIT previously managed by the Company (prior to termination of its management agreement in April 2021). The initial grant was recorded as an other asset and deferred income liability on the balance sheet. The liability was amortized on a straight-line basis to other income over the initial vesting period of the award and equity-based compensation expense was recognized as the award vested to the recipient employee. Compensation expense related to equity awards granted by managed companies is presented within discontinued operations.

#### Compensation

Compensation comprises salaries, bonus including discretionary awards and contractual amounts for certain senior executives, benefits, severance payments, and equity-based compensation. Bonus is accrued over the employment period to which it relates.

**Carried Interest and Incentive Fee Compensation**—This represents a portion of carried interest and incentive fees earned by the Company that are allocated to senior management, investment professionals and certain other employees of the Company. Carried interest and incentive fee compensation are generally recorded as the related carried interest and incentive fees are recognized in earnings by the Company. Carried interest compensation amounts may be reversed if there is a decline in the cumulative carried interest amounts previously recognized by the Company. Carried interest and incentive fee compensation are generally not paid to management or other employees until the related carried interest and incentive fee amounts are distributed by the investment vehicles to the Company.

If the related carried interest distributions received by the Company are subject to clawback, the previously distributed carried interest compensation would be similarly subject to clawback from employees. The Company generally withholds a portion of the distribution of carried interest compensation to employees to satisfy their potential clawback obligation. The amount withheld resides in entities outside of the Company.

**Equity-Based Compensation**—Equity-classified stock awards granted to employees and non-employees that have a service condition and/or a market or performance condition are measured at fair value at date of grant.

A modification in the terms or conditions of an award, unless the change is non-substantive, represents an exchange of the original award for a new award. The modified award is revalued and incremental compensation cost is recognized for the excess, if any, between fair value of the award upon modification and fair value of the award immediately prior to modification. Total compensation cost recognized for a modified award, however, cannot be less than its grant date fair value, unless at the time of modification, the service or performance condition of the original award was not expected to be satisfied. An award that is probable of vesting both before and after modification will result in incremental compensation cost only if terms affecting its estimate of fair value have been modified.

Liability-classified stock awards are remeasured at fair value at the end of each reporting period until the award is fully vested.

Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of each award, with the amount of compensation expense recognized at the end of a reporting period at least equal the portion of fair value of the respective award at grant date or modification date, as applicable, that has vested through that date. For awards with a performance condition, compensation expense is recognized only if and when it becomes probable that the performance condition will be met, with a cumulative adjustment from service inception date, and conversely, compensation cost is reversed to the extent it is no longer probable that the performance condition will be met. For awards with a market condition, compensation cost is not reversed if a market condition is not met so long as the requisite service has been rendered, as a market condition does not represent a vesting condition. Compensation expense is adjusted for actual forfeitures upon occurrence.

#### **Income Taxes**

Provision for income taxes consists of a current and deferred component. Current income taxes represent income tax to be paid or refunded for the current period. The Company uses the asset and liability method to provide for income taxes, which requires that the Company's income tax provision reflect the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets or liabilities for financial reporting versus for income tax purposes. Accordingly, a deferred tax asset or liability for each temporary difference is determined based on enacted tax rates that the Company expects to be in effect upon realization of the underlying amounts when they become deductible or taxable and the differences reverse. A deferred tax asset is also recognized for NOL, capital loss and tax credit carryforwards. A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets is established if the Company believes it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized based upon the weight of all available positive and negative evidence. Realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the adequacy of future expected taxable income from all

sources, including reversal of taxable temporary differences, forecasted earnings and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies. An established valuation allowance may be reversed in a future period if the Company subsequently determines it is more likely than not that all or some portion of the deferred tax asset will become realizable.

#### **Uncertain Tax Positions**

Income tax benefits are recognized for uncertain tax positions that are more likely than not to be sustained based solely on their technical merits. Such uncertain tax positions are measured as the largest amount of benefit that is more

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likely than not to be realized upon settlement. The difference between the benefit recognized and the tax benefit claimed on a tax return results in an unrecognized tax benefit. The Company evaluates on a quarterly basis whether it is more likely than not that its uncertain tax positions would be sustained upon examination by a tax authority for all open tax years, as defined by the statute of limitations. The evaluation of uncertain tax positions is based upon various factors including, but not limited to, changes in tax law, measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in tax returns, the effective settlement of matters subject to audit, new audit activity, and changes in facts or circumstances related to a tax position.

Income tax related interests and penalties, if any, are included as a component of income tax benefit (expense).

#### **Earnings Per Share**

The Company calculates basic earnings per share ("EPS") using the two-class method which defines unvested share based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends as participating securities. The two-class method is an allocation formula that determines EPS for each share of common stock and participating securities according to dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings. Under this method, all earnings (distributed and undistributed) are allocated to common shares and participating securities based on their respective rights to receive dividends. EPS is calculated by dividing earnings allocated to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted EPS is based on upon the weighted-average number of common shares and the effect of potentially dilutive common share equivalents outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive common share equivalents include represent the assumed issuance of common shares in settlement of certain arrangements if determined to be issued dilutive, generally based upon the more dilutive of the two-class method or the treasury stock method, or based upon the if-converted method for the assumed conversion of the Company's outstanding convertible notes, which are included under the if-converted method when dilutive. notes. The earnings allocated to common shareholders is adjusted to add back the after-tax amount of interest expense income or loss associated with the potentially dilutive instruments that are assumed to result in the issuance of common shares if determined to be dilutive, such as interest expense on the Company's convertible notes, except when doing so would be antidilutive. notes.

In circumstances where discontinued operations are reported, income from continuing operations is used as the benchmark to determine whether including potential common shares in diluted EPS computation would be antidilutive. Accordingly, if there is a loss from continuing operations and potential common shares would be antidilutive due to the loss, but there is net income after adjusting for discontinued operations, the potential common shares would be excluded from diluted EPS computation even though the effect on net income would be dilutive, because income from continuing operations is used as the benchmark.

#### **Reclassifications Discontinued Operations**

**Certain** If the disposition of a component, being an operating or reportable segment, business unit, subsidiary or asset group, represents a strategic shift that has or will have a major effect on the Company's operations and financial results, the operating profits or losses of the component when classified as held for sale, and the gain or loss upon disposition of the component, are presented as discontinued operations in the statements of operations.

A business or asset group acquired in connection with a business combination that meets the criteria to be accounted for as held for sale at the date of acquisition is reported as discontinued operations, regardless of whether it meets the strategic shift criterion.

The Company's discontinued operations in the periods presented herein represent: (i) the operations of digital infrastructure portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Company's former Operating segment; and (ii) the Company's former real estate investment and operations as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REIT"), along with an adjacent investment management business, which have since been disposed as part of the Company's transformation into an investment manager with a digital infrastructure focus. These former businesses comprised the following.

- The full deconsolidation of both portfolio companies in the former Operating segment on December 31, 2023 (as discussed in Note 9) represented a strategic shift that has major effect on the Company's operations and financial results, meeting the criteria as discontinued operations as of December 31, 2023. The Operating segment previously composed of balance sheet equity interests in two digital infrastructure portfolio companies, Vantage SDC and DataBank, a stabilized hyperscale and an edge colocation data center business, respectively. These portfolio companies directly held and operated data centers, earning rental income from providing use of data center space and/or capacity through leases, services and other tenant arrangements. Prior to deconsolidation and reclassification as discontinued operations, the assets, liabilities and operating results of DataBank and Vantage SDC were included in the Company's consolidated financial statements at historical cost in the former Operating

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segment, with the portion of operating results attributable to third party investors presented as noncontrolling interests in investment entities.

- The Company's equity method investment in BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (NYSE: BRSP) was sold in March 2023 for net proceeds totaling \$201.6 million. The Company's investment in BRSP qualified as held for sale in March 2023 and its disposition represented a strategic shift that has major effect on the Company's operations and financial results, meeting the criteria as discontinued operations as of March 2023. A \$9.7 million impairment of the BRSP shares was recorded in 2023 prior period to its disposition.
- The Wellness Infrastructure business was disposed in February 2022, along with other non-core assets held by a subsidiary, NRF Holdco, LLC ("NRF Holdco"). The equity of NRF Holdco was sold for \$281 million, in a combination of cash and a \$155 million unsecured promissory note. The promissory note was fully written down in March 2023, as discussed in Note 11. The disposition of NRF Holdco resulted in a write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs on the Wellness Infrastructure debt assumed by the buyer of \$92.1 million and additional impairment loss based upon final carrying value of the Wellness Infrastructure net assets in 2022, with \$251.7 million of impairment loss having already been recorded in 2021 based upon the selling price.
- The Company's equity interests in its non-digital investment portfolio, which included real estate, real estate-related equity and debt investments, along with an adjacent investment management business, was substantively disposed in a bulk sale in December 2021, with a write-down in the value of the assets based upon the selling price recorded in 2021 prior to disposition. A small number of investments excluded from this bulk sale continue to be disposed over time.
- The Hospitality business was disposed in March 2021. Additionally, a hotel portfolio that was in receivership was sold by the lender in September 2021 which had resulted in a \$54.2 million gain on debt extinguishment.

Income (Loss) from discontinued operations is summarized as follows.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Property operating income	\$ 774,226	\$ 953,727	\$ 1,500,032
Other income	8,895	21,559	106,826
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>783,121</b>	<b>975,286</b>	<b>1,606,858</b>
Property operating expense	329,762	412,924	779,074
Interest expense	174,722	268,519	380,272
Depreciation and amortization	448,900	534,979	592,202
Compensation and other expenses	136,097	203,669	277,730
Impairment loss	—	35,985	317,405
Equity method earnings (losses)	(15,188)	(45,489)	(192,478)
Other gain (loss), net	2,671	13,682	120,753
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes</b>	<b>(318,877)</b>	<b>(512,597)</b>	<b>(811,550)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(1,581)	2,413	29,175
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations</b>	<b>(320,458)</b>	<b>(510,184)</b>	<b>(782,375)</b>
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to noncontrolling interests:			
Investment entities	(260,120)	(302,072)	(528,125)
Operating Company	(4,339)	(15,893)	(24,465)
<b>Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (55,999)</b>	<b>\$ (192,219)</b>	<b>\$ (229,785)</b>

## Assets and Liabilities of Discontinued Operations

Assets of the former Operating segment were not held for disposition prior to their deconsolidation and qualification as discontinued operations on December 31, 2023. All other assets of discontinued operations were held for disposition prior to their sale.

The Company initially measures assets classified as held for disposition at the lower of their carrying amounts disclosed or fair value less disposal costs. For bulk sale transactions, the unit of account is the disposal group, with any excess of the aggregate carrying value over estimated fair value less costs to sell allocated to the individual assets within the notes group.

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(In thousands)	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	—	\$	62,690
Restricted cash		—		113,631
Real estate		—		5,921,298
Investments		1,342		280,019
Goodwill		—		463,120
Intangible assets		—		1,006,469
Other assets		356		573,368
<b>Total assets of discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,698</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,420,595</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Debt	\$	—	\$	4,586,765
Lease intangibles and other liabilities		153		755,377
<b>Total liabilities of discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,342,142</b>

#### Reclassifications

As discussed in "—Discontinued Operations," the Company's investment in BRSP and the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the Company's former Operating segment qualified as discontinued operations in March 2023 and December 2023, respectively. For all prior periods presented: (i) on the December 31, 2022 consolidated balance sheets, the equity method investment in BRSP (2022: \$218.0 million previously included in equity and debt investments) and the assets of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$8.1 billion have been reclassified to assets of discontinued operations, while the liabilities of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$5.3 billion have been reclassified to liabilities of discontinued operations; and (ii) on the 2022 and 2021 consolidated statements of operations, the loss from BRSP of \$37.3 million in 2022 and earnings of \$41.2 million in 2021, previously included in equity method earnings (losses), and the net loss of the portfolio companies previously consolidated in the former Operating segment totaling \$324.2 million in 2022 and \$223.5 million in 2021 have been reclassified to income (loss) from discontinued operation.

In 2023, the Company also determined that principal investment income from its equity interest as general partner and general partner affiliate in its sponsored investment vehicles, and its entitlement to carried interest allocation, represent a core component of returns in its investment management business. Accordingly, beginning in 2023, principal investment income and carried interest allocation are now presented within total revenues on the consolidated statements of operations, previously presented as equity method earnings (losses) and equity method earnings—carried interest, respectively, both of which are no longer applicable as separate financial statements statement line items following the changes discussed herein. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform to current period presentation. These reclassifications did

#### Accounting Policies Related to Real Estate

Accounting policies related to real estate are applicable to continuing operations in 2022 and to discontinued operations in all periods presented.

#### Real Estate Acquisitions

Real estate acquisitions are considered asset acquisitions and are recognized based on their cost to the Company as the acquirer and no gain or loss is recognized. The cost of assets acquired are allocated among the acquired components based on their relative fair values at the time of acquisition, and does not affect give rise to goodwill. Such components include land, building, site and building improvements, infrastructure, equipment, lease-related tangible and intangible assets and liabilities, such as tenant improvements, deferred leasing costs, in-place lease values, above- and below-market lease values, and tenant relationships. The estimated fair value of acquired land is derived from recent comparable sales of land and listings within the same local region based on available market data. The estimated fair value of acquired buildings and building improvements is derived from comparable sales, discounted cash flow analysis using market-based assumptions, or replacement cost for a similar property, as appropriate. The fair value of site and tenant improvements and infrastructure assets are estimated based upon current market replacement costs and other relevant market rate information. Transaction costs related to acquisition of assets are included in the cost basis of the assets acquired. Contingent consideration in connection with the acquisition of assets (and that is not a VIE) is generally recognized when the liability is considered both probable and reasonably estimable, as part of the basis of the acquired assets.

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Previously warehoused investment

In June 2022, the Company acquired the mobile telecommunications tower business ("TowerCo") of Telenet Group Holding NV (Euronext Brussels: TNET) for €740.1 million or \$791.3 million (including transaction costs). In December 2022, the Company's financial position, results interest in the temporarily warehoused TowerCo investment was transferred to the Company's new core equity fund and TowerCo was deconsolidated.

The TowerCo assets acquired had included owned tower sites, tower sites subject to third party leases that gave rise to ROU lease assets and corresponding lease liabilities, equipment, as well as customer relationships related primarily to a master lease agreement with Telenet as lessee. The acquisition had been funded through \$326.1 million of operations or debt, \$278.1 million of equity from the Company, and \$213.8 million in third party equity. In addition to the purchase price, the funds had been used to finance transaction costs, debt issuance costs, working capital and as operating cash.

The following table summarizes the allocation of cash flows.

**Adjustments consideration to Beginning Equity TowerCo assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including capitalized transaction costs, in 2022.**

	(In thousands)
Real estate	\$ 363,121
Intangible assets	673,218
ROU and other assets	234,462
Deferred tax liabilities	(243,223)
Lease and other liabilities	(236,324)
Fair value of net assets acquired	\$ 791,254

On January 1, 2020 • Real estate was valued based upon current replacement cost for towers in consideration of their remaining economic life. Useful lives of towers and related equipment acquired range from 11 to 71 years.

• Lease-related intangibles were composed of the following:

- In-place leases reflect the value of rental income forgone if the towers acquired were not leased, discounted at 6.8%, with remaining lease terms of 15 years.
- Customer relationships for towers were valued as the estimated future cash flows to be generated over the life of the tenant relationships based upon adoption of Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-13, rental rates, operating costs, expected renewal terms and attrition, discounted at 6.8%, with estimated useful lives between 19 and 45 years.

• Financial Instruments—Deferred tax liabilities were recognized for the book-to-tax basis differences associated with the TowerCo acquisition.

Credit Losses • Other assets acquired and liabilities assumed include primarily lease ROU assets associated with leasehold ground space hosting tower communication sites, along with corresponding lease liabilities. Lease liabilities were measured based upon the present value of future lease payments over the lease term, discounted at the incremental borrowing rate of the acquiree entity.

In 2022, prior to transfer, TowerCo generated lease income of \$43.0 million, and incurred depreciation expense of \$8.8 million, and amortization expense of \$9.9 million, presented within Corporate and Other.

#### Real Estate Held for Investment

Real estate held for investment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Costs Capitalized or Expensed—Expenditures for ordinary repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred, while expenditures for significant renovations that improve or extend the useful life of the asset are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation—Real estate held for investment, other than land, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally up to 50 years for buildings, 40 years for site and building improvements, 30 years for data center infrastructure, and 8 years for furniture, fixtures and equipment. Tenant improvements are amortized over the lesser of the useful life or the remaining term of the lease.

Impairment—The Company evaluates its real estate held for investment for impairment periodically or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. The Company evaluates real estate for impairment generally on an individual property basis. If an impairment indicator exists, the Company recorded evaluates the undiscounted future net cash flows that are expected to be generated by the property, including any estimated proceeds from the eventual disposition of the property. If multiple outcomes are under consideration, the Company may apply either a \$5.1 million decrease to beginning equity, composed of: (i) probability-weighted cash flows approach or the single-most-likely estimate of cash flows

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approach, whichever is more appropriate under the circumstances. Based upon the analysis, if the carrying value of a property exceeds its undiscounted future net cash flows, an \$8.4 million decrease to beginning equity, representing impairment loss is recognized for the excess of the carrying value of the property over the estimated fair value of the property. In evaluating and/or measuring impairment, the Company considers, among other things, current and estimated future cash flows associated with each property for the duration of the estimated hold period of each property, market information for each sub-market, including, where applicable, competition levels, foreclosure levels, leasing trends, occupancy trends, lease or room rates, and the market prices of similar properties recently sold or currently being offered for sale, expected capitalization rates at exit, and other quantitative and qualitative factors. Another key consideration in this assessment is the Company's share assumptions about the highest and best use of its real estate investments and its intent and ability to hold them for a reasonable period that would allow for the recovery of their carrying values. If such assumptions change and the Company shortens its expected hold period, this may result in the recognition of impairment losses.

#### Real Estate Held for Disposition



Real estate is classified as held for disposition in the period when (i) management approves a plan to sell the asset, (ii) the asset is available for immediate sale in its present condition, subject only to usual and customary terms, (iii) a program is initiated to locate a buyer and actively market the asset for sale at a reasonable price, and (iv) completion of the sale is probable within one year.

Real estate held for disposition is stated at the lower of its carrying amount or estimated fair value less disposal cost, with any write-down to fair value less disposal cost recorded as an impairment loss. For any increase in fair value less disposal cost subsequent to classification as held for disposition, the impairment loss may be reversed, but only up to the amount of cumulative effect adjustment loss previously recognized. Depreciation is not recorded on assets classified as held for disposition. At the time a sale is consummated, the excess, if any, of adopting sale price less selling costs over carrying value of the lifetime current expected credit loss ("CECL") model by real estate is recognized as a gain.

If circumstances arise that were previously considered unlikely and, as a result, the Company decides not to sell the real estate asset previously classified as held for disposition, the real estate asset is reclassified as held for investment. Upon reclassification, the real estate asset is measured at the lower of (i) its equity method investee, BRSP, partially offset by carrying amount prior to classification as held for disposition, adjusted for depreciation expense that would have been recognized had the real estate been continuously classified as held for investment, or (ii) its estimated fair value at the time the Company decides not to sell.

#### **Lease-Related Intangibles**

Identifiable intangibles recognized in acquisitions of operating real estate include in-place leases, deferred leasing costs, above- or below-market leases, and tenant relationships.

In-place leases generate value over and above the tangible real estate because a \$3.3 million property that is occupied with leased space is typically worth more than a vacant building without a lease contract in place. Acquired in-place leases are valued as the forgone rental income had the property been acquired in an as if vacant state, using market data on comparable and recently signed leases. Deferred leasing costs represent leasing commissions and legal fees that would otherwise have been incurred if a lease was not in-place. Acquired in-place leases and deferred leasing costs are amortized on a straight-line basis to depreciation and amortization expense over the remaining term of the applicable leases. If an in-place lease is terminated, the unamortized portion is charged to depreciation and amortization expense.

The value of the above- or below-market component of acquired leases represents the difference between contractual rents of acquired leases and market rents at the time of the acquisition for the remaining lease term. Above- or below-market operating lease values are amortized on a straight-line basis as a decrease or increase to beginning equity, reflecting rental income, respectively, over the cumulative effect adjustment applicable lease terms. This includes fixed rate renewal options in acquired leases that are assumed to be renewed if below market, which are amortized to increase rental income over the renewal period.

Tenant relationships represent the estimated net cash flows attributable to the likelihood of lease renewal by an existing tenant relative to the cost of obtaining a new lease, taking into consideration the time it would take to execute a new lease or backfill a vacant space. Tenant relationships are amortized on a straight-line basis to depreciation and amortization expense over its estimated useful life.

In addition to leasing activities, data center operators provide various data center services to their customers, largely in the colocation business, which give rise to customer service contract and customer relationship intangible assets in an acquisition of operating data centers. Customer service contracts are valued based upon an estimate of net cash flows from providing data center services that would have been forgone if these service contracts were not in place, taking into consideration the time it would take to execute a new contract. Customer service contracts are amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining term of the Company's election respective contracts, and if the service contract is terminated, the remaining unamortized balance is charged off. Customer relationships represent incremental net cash flows to the business that is attributable to these in-place relationships, and is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life.

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Impairment analysis on lease intangible assets is performed in connection with the impairment assessment of the fair related real estate.

#### **Property Operating Income**

Property operating income includes the following:

##### Lease Income

The Company's lease income is composed of (i) fixed lease income for rents, and for interconnection services and a committed amount of power related to contracted data center leased space; and (ii) variable lease income for tenant reimbursements, installation services of Company-owned data center equipment and additional metered power reimbursements based upon usage by data center tenants at prevailing rates.

As lessor, the classification of a lease as a sales-type lease is similar to the criteria for a finance lease as lessee (discussed above). If none of the criteria are met, a lease may be classified as a direct financing lease if there is a residual value option for guarantee from an unrelated third party. Otherwise, all of its then outstanding loans receivable.

#### **Accounting Standards Adopted in 2022**

##### **Amendment to Lessor Accounting**

In July 2021, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU No. 2021-5, *Lessors—Certain Leases with Variable Lease Payments*, which amends existing lease classification guidance for lessors to better reflect the economics of certain lease arrangements. The ASU requires a lease other leases are classified as operating, including leases with variable lease payments that are not based upon a rate or index where classification as sales-type or direct financing lease would result in a loss to the Company at lease commencement.

The Company's lease contracts contain lease components, such as leased data center space and equipment, and nonlease components, such as tenant reimbursements for net leases, interconnection services, installation services of Company-owned data center equipment and payments for power by data center tenants. As lessor, the Company made the accounting policy election to account for the lease components and nonlease components in its lease contracts as a single component in instances where the lease component is predominant, the timing and pattern of transfer for the lease and nonlease components are the same (i.e., provided on a consistent basis over the same time period), and the lease component, if accounted for separately, would be classified as an operating lease.

##### *Rental Income and Tenant Reimbursements*



Rental income is recognized on a straight-line basis over the noncancelable term of the related lease **if classification** which includes the effects of minimum rent increases and rent abatements under the lease. Rents received in advance are deferred.

In net lease arrangements, the tenant is generally responsible for operating expenses relating to the property, including real estate taxes, property insurance, maintenance, repairs and improvements. Costs reimbursable from tenants and other recoverable costs are recognized as revenue in the period the recoverable costs are incurred. When the Company is the primary obligor with respect to purchasing goods and services for property operations and has discretion in selecting the supplier and retains credit risk, tenant reimbursement revenue and property operating expenses are presented on a gross basis in the statements of operations. For net leases where the lessee self-manages the property, hires its own service providers and retains credit risk for routine maintenance contracts, no reimbursement revenue and expense are recognized. For property taxes and insurance, amounts paid directly by lessees to third parties on behalf of the Company are not recognized in the statement of operations, while amounts paid by the Company and reimbursed by lessees are presented gross as property operating income and expenses. Also, sales and similar taxes assessed by a governmental authority that is imposed on specific lease income producing transactions are netted against related collections from lessees.

When it is determined that the Company is the owner of tenant improvements, the cost to construct the tenant improvements, including costs paid for or reimbursed from the tenants, is capitalized. For Company-owned tenant improvements, the amounts funded by or reimbursed from the tenants are recorded as deferred revenue, which is amortized on a straight-line basis as additional rental income over the term of the related lease. Rental income recognition commences when the leased space is substantially ready for its intended use and the tenant takes possession of the leased space.

When it is determined that the tenant is the owner of tenant improvements, the Company's contribution towards those improvements is recorded as a **direct financing lease or sales-type** incentive, included in deferred leasing costs and intangible assets on the balance sheet, and amortized as a reduction to rental income on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Rental income recognition commences when the tenant takes possession of the lease space.

would have resulted in a loss **Collectability**—The Company evaluates collectability of lease payments based upon the creditworthiness of the lessee and recognizes lease income only to the lessor at lease commencement. A loss could have otherwise arisen even if extent collection of all amounts due over the life of the lease is **expected** determined to be **profitable as the exclusion of these variable** probable. If collection is subsequently determined to no longer be probable, any previously accrued lease **payments result in the** recognition of a lower net investment in a income that has not been collected is subject to reversal. If collection is subsequently determined to be probable, lease **relative income and** corresponding receivable would be reestablished to **the carrying value of the underlying asset that is derecognized at the commencement of a direct financing or sales-type lease.** Under the amended guidance, this uneconomic outcome is avoided because the classification as an operating lease does not result in a derecognition of the underlying asset by the lessor, and the recognition of variable lease payments earned and depreciation expense on the underlying asset will partially offset in earnings over time. The Company adopted the ASU on a prospective basis on its effective date of January 1, 2022. At the time of adoption, the Company, as lessor, did not have any leases amount that would have been subject recognized if collection had always been deemed to **this amendment**, be probable.

#### Acquired Contracts

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**Costs to Execute Lease**—Only incremental costs of obtaining a lease, such as leasing commissions, qualify as initial direct leasing costs to be capitalized. Indirect costs such as allocated overhead, certain legal fees and negotiation costs are expensed as incurred.

#### Data Center Service Revenue

The Company earns data center service revenue, primarily composed of cloud services, data storage, data protection, network services, software licensing, other services related to installation of customer equipment, and other related information technology services, which are recognized as services are provided to data center customers.

#### Resident Fee Income

Resident fee income, presented within discontinued operations, was earned from senior housing operating facilities that operate through management agreements with **Customers** independent third-party operators. Resident fee income related to independent living and assisted living facilities was recorded when services were rendered based on terms of their respective lease agreements. The Company's healthcare business was sold in February 2022.

#### Hotel Operating Income

Hotel operating income, presented within discontinued operations, included room revenue, food and beverage sales and other ancillary services. Revenue was recognized upon occupancy of rooms, consumption of sales and provision of services. The Company's hotel business was sold in March 2021, with one portfolio that was in receivership sold by the lender in September 2021.

#### *Collectability of property operating income receivable (excluding lease income receivable)*

The Company periodically evaluate aged receivables and considers the collectability of unbilled receivables. The Company estimated allowance for doubtful accounts for specific accounts receivable balances based upon historical collection trends, age of outstanding accounts receivables and existing economic conditions associated with the receivables.

#### Accounting Standards Adopted in 2023

##### **Contractual Sale Restriction on Equity Securities**

In **October 2021**, June 2022, the FASB issued ASU **No. 2021-8, 2022-03, Accounting for Contract Assets and Contract Liabilities From Contracts With Customers** **Fair Value Measurement of Equity Securities Subject to Contractual Sale Restrictions**, which **applies** amends Topic 820 Fair Value to clarify that a contractual sale restriction that is entity-specific is not part of the **principles** unit of **ASC 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers**, rather than a account of an equity security and is therefore not considered in measuring the fair value basis under **ASC 805**, of an equity security, in which case, a discount should not be applied. The amendment further prohibits recognizing the contractual sale restriction as a separate unit of account, that is, as a contra asset or liability. Sale restrictions that are characteristics of the holder of an equity security include, but are not

limited to, **Business Combinations** lock-up agreements, market stand-off agreements, or specific provisions in agreements between shareholders. In contrast, a legal restriction preventing a security from being sold on a national securities exchange or an over-the-counter market is a security-specific characteristic as the restriction would similarly apply to a market participant buyer in an assumed sale of the **recognition security**. This guidance also applies to issuers of **contract assets and contract liabilities acquired equity securities** that are subject to contractual sale restrictions, for example, equity securities issued as consideration in a business combination. The ASU **addresses the following inconsistencies**: requires additional disclosures related to equity securities that are subject to contractual sale restrictions, specifically (1) **measurement of contract liability or deferred revenue at fair value** that is typically lower than carrying value, reducing post-acquisition revenues; and (2) **timing of contractual payments affecting the fair value of deferred revenue** such equity securities, (2) the nature and the amount of post-acquisition revenue in otherwise similar contracts. Under the new guidance, an acquirer records a **contract asset or contract liability as if it had originated the acquired revenue contract**, which requires the acquirer to evaluate performance obligations, transaction price and relative stand-alone selling price at the original contract inception date or subsequent modification dates. This will generally result in the **recognition and measurement of a contract asset and contract liability that will likely be more comparable to the books remaining duration of the acquiree at acquisition date**. In restrictions, and (3) **any circumstances where an acquirer is unable to assess or rely on the acquiree's accounting under ASC 606**, the ASU provides that could cause a practical expedient that allows an acquirer to determine the **stand-alone selling price of each performance obligation lapse in the contract as of acquisition date**, instead of contract inception date, for purposes of allocating the transaction price.

The amendments also apply to contract assets and contract liabilities from other contracts to which the provisions of ASC 606 apply, such as contracts within the scope of ASC 610-20, **restrictions**. Other Income—Gains and Losses from Derecognition of Nonfinancial Assets, but the amendments do not affect the accounting for other assets or liabilities that may arise from acquired customer contracts such as refund liabilities that do not meet the definition of contract liabilities and continue to be recorded at fair value.

The ASU is effective **January 1, 2023** January 1, 2024, with early adoption permitted in the interim periods. Transition is prospective with any fair value adjustments resulting from adoption recognized in earnings and the amount adjusted disclosed in the period of adoption.

For subsidiaries of the Company that are investment companies as defined in ASC 946, the ASU is applied prospectively to equity securities with contractual sale restrictions entered into or modified on or after the adoption date. For equity securities with contractual sale restrictions entered into or modified before the adoption date, the existing accounting policy continues to be applied prospectively. Early adoption is permitted with retrospective application to all business combinations that occurred during until the fiscal year of early adoption. restrictions expire or are modified, and if the existing accounting policy differs from the amended guidance, the additional disclosure requirements under the ASU would be applicable.

The Company early adopted the ASU on **January 1, 2022** with no impact upon adoption, January 1, 2023. At the time of filing, the Company has one equity security that is subject to contractual sale restrictions, but was not subject to such restrictions at the time of adoption or during 2023.

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## Future Accounting Standards

### **Contractual Sale Restriction on Equity Securities Reportable Segment Disclosures**

In **June 2022, November 2023**, the FASB issued ASU 2022-03, 2023-07, **Fair Value Measurement of Equity Securities Subject Improvements to Contractual Sale Restrictions Reportable Segment Disclosures**, which **amends Topic 820 Fair Value** expands the breadth and frequency of segment disclosures to **clarify** require all annual disclosures on an interim basis and provide for incremental disclosures, including the following:

- **Category and amount of significant segment expenses** that are regularly provided to (even if not regularly reviewed by) the chief operating decision maker ("CODM") and included in each reported segment profit (loss) measure, otherwise the nature of expense information (for example, consolidated, forecasted, budgeted) used by the CODM;
- **An amount (without individual quantification) for other segment items** (represents difference between segment revenue less segment expense disclosed and reported segment profit (loss) measure), including description of the composition, nature and type of the other segment items;
- **Description of how CODM uses each reported segment profit (loss) measure to assess segment performance and determine resource allocation**; and
- **Title and position of individual or name of group or committee identified as CODM**.

The ASU changes current guidance by permitting multiple measures of segment profit (loss) to be reported provided that the measure most consistent with GAAP is reported. The ASU also clarifies that a contractual sale restriction single reportable segment entity is subject to segment disclosures in its entirety, which would require reporting of segment profit (loss) measure that is **entity-specific is not part of the unit of account of an equity security a consolidated GAAP measure and is therefore not considered in measuring the fair value of an equity security**, in which case, a discount should not be applied. The amendment further prohibits recognizing the contractual sale restriction as a separate unit of account, that is, as a contra asset or liability. Sale restrictions that are characteristics of the holder of an equity security include, but are not limited to, lock-up agreements, market stand-off agreements, or specific provisions in agreements between shareholders. In contrast, a legal restriction preventing a security clearly evident from being sold on a national securities exchange or an over-the-counter market is a security-specific characteristic as the restriction would similarly apply to a market participant buyer in an assumed sale of the security. This guidance also applies to issuers of equity securities that are subject to contractual sale restrictions, for example, equity securities issued as consideration in a business combination. existing disclosures. The ASU **requires additional** does not change existing guidance around identification of operating segments and determination of reportable segments. The requirements under this ASU are to be applied retrospectively to all prior periods presented unless impracticable.

The Company adopted this ASU on its effective date of January 1, 2024.

### **Income Tax Disclosures**

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09, **Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures**, which enhances existing annual income tax disclosures, primarily disaggregation of: (i) effective tax rate reconciliation using both percentages and amounts into specific categories, with further disaggregation by nature and/or jurisdiction of certain categories that meet the threshold of 5% of expected tax; and (ii) income taxes paid (net of refunds received) between federal, state/local and foreign, with further disaggregation by jurisdiction if 5% or more of total income taxes paid (net of refunds received). The ASU also eliminates existing disclosures related to: (a) reasonably possible significant changes in total amount of unrecognized tax benefits within 12 months of reporting date; and (b) cumulative amount of each type of temporary difference for which deferred tax liability has not been

recognized (due to exception to recognizing deferred taxes related to equity securities that are subject to contractual sale restrictions, specifically (1) the fair value of such equity securities, (2) the nature subsidiaries and remaining duration of the restrictions, and (3) any circumstances that could cause a lapse in restrictions. corporate joint ventures).The

This ASU is effective January 1, 2024 January 1, 2025, with early adoption permitted in the interim or annual periods. Transition is prospective with any fair value adjustments resulting from adoption recognized in earnings and the amount adjusted disclosed in the period of adoption.

For subsidiaries of the Company that are investment companies as defined in ASC 946, the ASU is applied prospectively option to equity securities with contractual sale restrictions entered into or modified on or after the adoption date. For equity securities with contractual sale restrictions entered into or modified before the adoption date, the existing accounting policy continues to be applied until the restrictions expire or are modified, and if the existing accounting policy differs from the amended guidance, the additional disclosure requirements under the ASU would be applicable.

The Company and its investment company subsidiaries do not currently have equity securities subject to contractual sale restrictions.apply retrospective application.

### 3. Acquisitions Business Combinations

#### Asset Acquisitions

##### Vantage SDC Hyperscale Data Centers

In July 2020 and following an additional investment in October 2020, the Company, alongside fee bearing third party capital, invested \$1.36 billion for an approximately 90% equity interest in entities that hold Vantage Data Centers Holdings, LLC's ("Vantage") portfolio of 12 stabilized hyperscale data centers in North America and \$2.0 billion of secured indebtedness ("Vantage SDC"). The remaining equity interest in Vantage SDC is held by the investors of Vantage prior to the Company's acquisition, and together with the third party capital raised by the Company, represent noncontrolling interests. The Company's balance sheet investment was approximately \$200 million or a 13% equity interest in Vantage SDC. Vantage SDC is a carve-out from Vantage's data center business. The acquisition excluded Vantage's remaining portfolio of development-stage data centers and its employees, all of which were retained by Vantage. The day-to-day operations of Vantage SDC continue to be managed by Vantage's existing management company in exchange for management fees, and subject to certain approval rights held by the Company and the co-investors in connection with material actions.

Pursuant to a purchase option in connection with the July 2020 acquisition, the Company acquired an additional data center in Santa Clara, California in September 2021 for \$404.5 million in cash. The acquisition was funded through borrowings by Vantage SDC, with a deferred amount of \$56.9 million to be paid upon future lease-up, and additional consideration contingent on lease-up of the remaining capacity.

In connection with the July 2020 and September 2021 acquisitions, the Company and its co-investors also committed to acquire the future build-out of expansion capacity, along with lease-up of the expanded capacity and existing inventory, the costs of which are borne by the previous owners of Vantage SDC. As of December 31, 2022, the remaining consideration for the incremental lease-up acquisitions is estimated to be approximately \$198 million. Most, if not all, of the cost of the expansion capacity has been or will be funded by Vantage SDC from borrowings under its credit facilities and/or cash from operations. Pursuant to this arrangement, Vantage SDC had 15 and 11 new tenant leases related to a portion of the expansion capacity that commenced in 2022 and 2021, respectively, for aggregate consideration of \$161.3 million and \$100.8 million, respectively. All of these payments were made to the previous owners of Vantage SDC and are treated as asset acquisitions.

##### Acquisitions by DataBank (the Company's edge colocation data center subsidiary)

###### 2022

- Four colocation data centers in Houston, Texas in March 2022 for \$678 million, funded by a combination of \$262.5 million of debt and \$415.5 million of equity, of which the Company's share was \$88.7 million.
- A data center each in Atlanta, Georgia in May 2022 for \$10.9 million, and in Denver, Colorado in February 2022 that was previously leased by its zColo subsidiary for \$17.6 million.

###### 2021

- Five data centers in the zColo portfolio in France in February 2021 for \$33.0 million.
- One building each in Colorado and New York in the third quarter of 2021 totaling \$38.5 million, to be redeveloped into data centers.

###### 2020

- zColo, the colocation business of Zayo Group Holdings, Inc. ("Zayo") in December 2020, composed of 39 data centers in the U.S. and the U.K., for approximately \$1.2 billion through a combination of debt and equity financing, including \$0.5 billion of third party co-invest capital raised by the Company. The Company's balance sheet investment was then \$145 million. Zayo is an anchor tenant within the zColo facilities and is a significant customer of DataBank.data centers

#### Tower Assets

In June 2022, the Company acquired the mobile telecommunications tower business ("TowerCo") of Telenet Group Holding NV (Euronext Brussels: TNET) for €740.1 million or \$791.3 million (including transaction costs). In December

2022, our interest in the temporarily warehoused TowerCo investment was transferred to the Company's new sponsored fund (Note 16) and TowerCo was deconsolidated. The TowerCo assets acquired had included owned tower sites, tower sites subject to third party leases that gave rise to right-of-use lease assets and corresponding lease liabilities,

equipment, as well as customer relationships related primarily to a master lease agreement with Telenet as lessee. The acquisition had been funded through \$326.1 million of debt, \$278.1 million of equity from the Company, and \$213.8 million in third party equity. In addition to the purchase price, the funds had been used to finance transaction costs, debt issuance costs, working capital and as operating cash. Prior to transfer, TowerCo was presented within Corporate and Other.

#### Allocation of Consideration Transferred

The following table summarizes the consideration and allocation to assets acquired, liabilities assumed and noncontrolling interests at acquisition. In an asset acquisition, the cost of assets acquired, which includes capitalized transaction costs, is allocated to individual assets within the group based on their relative fair values and does not give rise to goodwill.

	Asset Acquisitions								
	2022			2021			2020		
	Acquisitions by DataBank / zColo			Vantage SDC Expansion Capacity and Add-On			Acquisitions by DataBank / zColo		
	TowerCo	US	Expansion Capacity	Acquisition	US	zColo France	Vantage SDC	zColo US and UK	
(In thousands)									
<b>Assets acquired and liabilities assumed</b>									
Cash	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	266
Real estate	363,121	627,474	140,140	479,587	38,500	26,083	2,720,870	882,327	
Intangible assets	673,218	77,885	21,162	82,603	—	8,702	765,137	303,119	
ROU and other assets	234,462	3,994	—	—	—	9,536	181,260	415,038	
Debt	—	—	—	—	—	—	(2,060,307)	—	
Deferred tax liabilities	(243,223)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Intangible, lease and other liabilities	(236,324)	(2,839)	—	(56,889)	—	(11,303)	(82,350)	(419,262)	
Fair value of net assets acquired	\$ 791,254	\$ 706,514	\$ 161,302	\$ 505,301	\$ 38,500	\$ 33,018	\$ 1,524,610	\$ 1,181,488	

- Real estate was valued based upon (i) current replacement cost for buildings in an as-vacant state and improvements, estimated using construction cost guidelines; (ii) current replacement cost for data center infrastructure by applying an estimated cost per kilowatt based upon current capacity of each location and also considering the associated indirect costs such as design, engineering, construction and installation; (iii) current replacement cost for towers in consideration of their remaining economic life; and (iv) recent comparable sales or current listings for land. Useful lives of real estate acquired range from 30 to 50 years for buildings and improvements, 5 to 40 years for site improvements, 11 to 71 years for towers and related equipment, 11 to 20 years for data center infrastructure, and 1 to 5 years for furniture, fixtures and equipment.
- Lease-related intangibles for real estate acquisitions were composed of the following:
  - In-place leases reflect the value of rental income forgone if the properties had been acquired vacant, and the leasing commissions, legal and marketing costs that would have been incurred to lease up the properties, discounted at rates between 4.75% and 6.8%, with remaining lease terms ranging between 1 and 15 years.
  - Above- and below-market leases represent the rent differential for the remaining lease term between contractual rents of acquired leases and market rents at the time of acquisition, discounted at rates between 6.0% and 11.25% with remaining lease terms ranging between 1 and 15 years.
  - Tenant relationships represent the estimated net cash flows attributable to the likelihood of lease renewal by an existing tenant relative to the cost of obtaining a new lease, taking into consideration the estimated time it would require to execute a new lease or backfill a vacant space, discounted at rates between 4.75% and 11.5%, with estimated useful lives between 5 and 15 years.
  - Customer service contracts were valued based upon estimated net cash flows generated from the zColo customer service contracts that would have been forgone if such contracts were not in place, taking into consideration the time it would require to execute a new contract, with remaining term of the contracts ranging between 1 and 15 years.
  - Customer relationships for zColo were valued as the incremental net cash flows to business attributable to the in-place customer relationships, discounted at a rate of 10%, with an estimated useful life of 12 years.
- Customer relationships for towers were valued as the estimated future cash flows to be generated over the life of the tenant relationships based upon rental rates, operating costs, expected renewal terms and attrition, discounted at 6.8%, with estimated useful lives between 19 and 45 years.
- Other intangible assets acquired were as follows:
  - Trade name of zColo was valued based upon estimated savings from avoided royalty at a rate of 1%, discounted at 10%, with a 1 year useful life.
  - Assembled workforce was valued based upon estimated cost of recruiting and training new data center employees for zColo, with a 3 year useful life.
- Deferred tax liabilities were recognized for the book-to-tax basis difference associated with the TowerCo acquisition.
- Debt assumed from the Vantage SDC acquisition in 2020 was valued based upon market rates and spreads that prevailed at the time of acquisition for debt with similar terms and remaining maturities.

- Other assets acquired and liabilities assumed include primarily lease ROU assets associated with leasehold data centers and ground space hosting tower communication sites, along with corresponding lease liabilities. Lease liabilities were measured based upon the present value of future lease payments over the lease term, discounted at the incremental borrowing rate of the respective acquiree entities. Other liabilities in 2021 also included a deferred purchase consideration associated with the Vantage SDC add-on acquisition.

## Business Combination in 2023

### Infrastructure Investment Management Platform InfraBridge

In February 2023, the Company completed its previously announced acquisition of acquired the global infrastructure equity investment management business of AMP Capital Investors International Holdings Limited, ("AMP Capital"), which was rebranded as InfraBridge at closing. Consideration for the acquisition consisted of: (i) an upfront amount of \$316 million (or \$323.5 million including working capital, net \$314.3 million cash consideration (net of cash assumed), subject to customary post-closing working capital adjustments, up to 90 days after closing; and (ii) plus a contingent amount of up to A\$180 million (approximately \$129 million), generally based upon achievement of future fundraising targets for InfraBridge's new global infrastructure funds. The estimated fair value of the contingent consideration is subject to remeasurement each reporting period, as discussed in Note 10.

## 4. Real Estate

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The following table summarizes the Company's real estate held for investment, total consideration and allocation to assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The initial cash consideration was determined, in part, based upon estimated net working capital of the acquired entities at closing. The purchase price allocation is provisional and will be finalized through the one year measurement period. Subsequent to the acquisition, certain adjustments were identified that affected the provisional accounting, as presented below. These were adjustments to net working capital and to the value of acquired interest in an InfraBridge fund based upon a revised NAV of the fund, applying new information about facts and circumstances that existed at the time of acquisition.

(In thousands)	As Reported At March 31, 2023	Measurement Period Adjustments	As Revised At December 31, 2023
<b>Consideration</b>			
Cash	\$ 364,338	\$ 1,102	\$ 365,440
Estimated fair value of contingent consideration	10,874	—	10,874
	<u>\$ 375,212</u>		<u>\$ 376,314</u>
<b>Assets acquired and liabilities assumed</b>			
Cash	51,174	—	51,174
Principal investments	130,810	(18,500)	112,310
Intangible assets	50,800	—	50,800
Other assets	27,682	7,017	34,699
Deferred tax liabilities	(10,198)	—	(10,198)
Other liabilities	(21,625)	(8,589)	(30,214)
Fair value of net assets acquired	228,643		208,571
Goodwill	146,569	21,174	167,743
	<u>\$ 375,212</u>		<u>\$ 376,314</u>

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Land	\$ 257,588	\$ 206,588
Buildings and improvements	1,573,605	1,235,334
Data center infrastructure	4,427,150	3,845,431
Construction in progress	395,393	77,014
	<u>6,653,736</u>	<u>5,364,367</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(732,438)	(392,083)
Real estate assets, net	<u>\$ 5,921,298</u>	<u>\$ 4,972,284</u>

- Principal investments represent acquired interests in InfraBridge funds, valued at their most recent NAV at closing.

**Real Estate Depreciation.** The investment management intangible assets of InfraBridge were composed of the following:

- Depreciation.** Management contracts were valued based upon estimated net cash flows expected to be generated from the contracts, with remaining term of real estate held for the contracts ranging between 1 and 4 years, discounted at 8.0%.
- Investor relationships represent the fair value of potential future investment was \$350.7 million, \$275.8 million and \$117.1 million management fees, net of operating costs, to be generated from repeat InfraBridge investors in future sponsored vehicles, with a weighted average estimated useful life of 12 years, discounted at 14.0%.
- Deferred tax liabilities were recognized for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 book-to-tax basis difference of identifiable intangible assets acquired, net of deferred tax assets assumed.

- Other assets acquired and 2020, respectively, liabilities assumed include management fee receivable and compensation payable associated with the pre-acquisition period, amounts due to InfraBridge funds and receivable from seller.
- Goodwill is the value of the business acquired that is not already captured in identifiable assets, largely represented by the potential synergies from combining the capital raising resources of DBRG and the mid-market infrastructure specialization of the InfraBridge team.

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### Property Operating Income

Components of property operating income are as follows.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
Lease income:			
Fixed lease income	\$ 729,503	\$ 609,005	\$ 226,478
Variable lease income	120,442	92,701	38,913
	849,945	701,706	265,391
Data center service revenue	77,561	61,044	47,537
	\$ 927,506	\$ 762,750	\$ 312,928

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, property operating income from a single customer accounted for approximately 18% and 17%, respectively, of the Company's total revenues from continuing operations, or approximately 8% for both periods, of the Company's share of total revenues from continuing operations, net of amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests in investment entities. There was no similar tenant concentration in 2020.

### Future Fixed Lease Income

At December 31, 2022, future fixed lease payments receivable under noncancelable operating leases for real estate held for investment in the Operating segment were as follows. These operating leases have expiration dates through 2041, excluding month-to-month leases, and renewal options and early termination rights at the lessee's election unless such options or rights are reasonably certain to be exercised.

Year Ending December 31,	(In thousands)
2023	\$ 549,020
2024	418,984
2025	367,996
2026	325,024
2027	284,522
2028 and thereafter	1,480,010
Total	\$ 3,425,556

## 5. Equity and Debt 4. Investments

The Company's equity and debt investments excluding investments held for disposition (Note 21), are represented by the following:

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
<b>Equity investments</b>		
<i>Equity method investments</i>		
BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (BRSP) (1)	\$ 217,994	\$ 284,985
Company-sponsored private funds—equity investment in funds	406,624	270,737
Company-sponsored private funds—unrealized carried interest	341,749	111,957
Other	3,887	5,417
	970,254	673,096
<i>Other equity investments</i>		
Marketable securities (Note 11)	155,866	201,912
Private funds and non-traded REIT	36,436	49,575



Other	108,567	10,570
Total equity investments	1,271,123	935,153
<b>Debt securities</b>		
CLO subordinated notes	50,927	—
<b>Equity and debt investments</b>	<b>\$ 1,322,050</b>	<b>\$ 935,153</b>

(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Equity method investments <sup>(1)</sup>		
Principal investments	\$ 1,194,417	\$ 410,511
Carried interest allocation	676,421	341,749
Other equity investments	71,417	115,024
CLO subordinated notes	50,927	50,927
Loans receivable	—	133,307
	1,993,182	1,051,518
Equity investments of consolidated funds		
Marketable equity securities	66,297	139,076
Other investments	416,614	46,769
	<b>\$ 2,476,093</b>	<b>\$ 1,237,363</b>

(1) At December 31, 2021, excluded approximately 461,000 shares Equity method investments in the Investment Management segment are \$726.1 million at December 31, 2023 and 3.1 \$393.4 million units in BRSP held by NRF Holdco that were included in assets held for disposition (Note 21). NRF Holdco was sold in February 2022, at December 31, 2022.

## Equity Method Investments

### The Company's equity Principal Investments

Principal investments represent noncontrolling equity interests in various entities, primarily BRSP, interests investments in the Company's sponsored digital investment vehicles, and marketable securities held largely by private open-end liquid funds sponsored and consolidated by the Company.

For accounted for as equity method investments the liabilities of the investment entities may only be settled using the assets of these entities and there is no recourse to the general credit of the Company for the obligations of these entities. The Company is not required to provide financial or other support in excess of its capital commitments, where applicable, and its exposure is limited to its investment balance.

The Company evaluates its equity method investments for OTTI at each reporting period. In 2021, OTTI was recorded only on equity method investments held for disposition, as discussed in Note 21.

### BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (NYSE: BRSP)

At December 31, 2022, the Company owned approximately 35.0 million shares in BRSP for a 27.1% interest in BRSP (29.0% at December 31, 2021, including BRSP shares and units held by NRF Holdco that were disposed in February 2022), accounted for under the equity method as it exercises significant influence over BRSP's operating and financial policies through its substantial ownership interest. In connection with the internalization of BRSP in April 2021, the Company had entered into a stockholders agreement with BRSP, pursuant to which the Company agreed, for so long as the Company owns at least 10% of BRSP's outstanding common shares, to vote in BRSP director elections as recommended by BRSP's board of directors at any stockholders' meeting that occurs prior to BRSP's 2023 annual stockholders' meeting. In addition, the Company is subject to customary standstill restrictions, including an obligation not to initiate or make stockholder proposals, nominate directors or participate in proxy solicitations, until the beginning of the advance notice window for BRSP's 2023 annual meeting. Except as aforementioned, the Company may vote its shares exerts significant influence in its sole discretion role as general partner. The Company typically has a small percentage interest in any votes of BRSP's stockholders and is prohibited from acquiring its sponsored funds as general partner or special limited partner (presented in the Investment Management segment). The Company also has additional BRSP shares.

**Disposition**—In 2022 and 2020, there were no dispositions of investment as general partner affiliate alongside the Company's BRSP shares. In August 2021, the Company sold 9,487,500 BRSP shares through a secondary offering by BRSP for net proceeds of approximately \$81.8 million, after underwriting discounts. A net gain was recognized in equity method earnings within continuing operations of \$7.6 million (including basis difference associated funds' limited partners, primarily with the BRSP shares disposed, as discussed below).

**OTTI**—In the third and fourth quarters of 2022 and second quarter of 2020, the Company determined that its investment in BRSP was other-than-temporarily impaired and recorded impairment charges, included in equity method losses, of \$60.4 million in 2022 and \$274.7 million in 2020. In 2022, the Company determined that given the continuing



market volatility, its anticipated hold period for its investment in BRSP may not be sufficient to allow for a recovery of BRSP's stock price relative respect to the Company's carrying value flagship value-add funds, InfraBridge funds and funds invested in DataBank (presented within Corporate and Other).

The Company's proportionate share of net income (loss) from investments in its sponsored investment in BRSP. In 2020, concerns over the likelihood of a near term recovery of BRSP's stock price stemmed vehicles, primarily unrealized gain (loss) from then uncertainties surrounding the pandemic and its effect on the economy and equity markets. The OTTI charge was measured as the excess of carrying value over market value of the Company's investment changes in BRSP based upon BRSP's closing stock price on December 30, 2022, the last trading day of the quarter, and on June 30, 2020, respectively. There was no OTTI in 2021 as the fair value of the Company's underlying fund investments, is recorded in principal investment in BRSP was in excess income on the consolidated statements of its carrying value. operations.

#### As Carried Interest Allocation

Carried interest allocation represents a result disproportionate allocation of returns to the Company, as general partner or special limited partner (which may be paid to the special limited partner entity owned by the Company in place of the impairment charge, general partner entity), based upon the carrying extent to which cumulative performance of a sponsored fund exceeds minimum return hurdles. Carried interest allocation generally arises when appreciation in value of the Company's investment underlying investments of the fund exceeds the minimum return hurdles, after factoring in BRSP a return of invested capital and a return of certain costs of the fund pursuant to terms of the governing documents of the fund. The amount of carried interest allocation recognized is based upon the cumulative performance of the fund if it were liquidated as of December 31, 2022 represents a non-recurring the reporting date. Unrealized carried interest allocation is driven primarily by changes in fair value of the underlying investments of the fund, which may be affected by various factors, including but not limited to: the financial performance of the portfolio company, economic conditions, foreign exchange rates, comparable transactions in the market, and equity prices for publicly traded securities. For funds that was measured under have exceeded the Level 1 fair value hierarchy.

**Basis Difference**—The Company recorded impairment charges minimum return hurdle but have not returned all capital to the limited partners, unrealized carried interest allocation may be subject to reversal over time as preferred returns continue to accrue on its investment unreturned capital. Realization of carried interest allocation occurs upon disposition of all underlying investments of the fund, or in BRSP in 2022, 2020 and 2019, part with each instance resulting in a basis difference between the Company's carrying value disposition.

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Generally, carried interest allocation is distributed upon profitable disposition of an investment in BRSP (based upon BRSP's share price if at the time of impairment) and distribution, cumulative returns of the Company's proportionate share of BRSP's book fund exceed minimum return hurdles. Depending on the final realized value of equity all investments at the time end of impairment. The impairment charges were applied the life of a fund (and, with respect to certain funds, periodically during the Company's life of the fund), if it is determined that cumulative carried interest allocation distributed has exceeded the final carried interest allocation amount earned (or amount earned as of the calculation date), the Company is obligated to return the excess carried interest allocation received. Therefore, carried interest allocation distributed may be subject to clawback if decline in investment values results in BRSP as cumulative performance of the fund falling below minimum return hurdles in the interim period. If it is determined that the Company has a whole and were not determined clawback obligation, a liability would be established based upon an impairment assessment a hypothetical liquidation of individual the net assets held by BRSP. Therefore, of the impairment charges were fund at reporting date. The actual determination and required payment of any clawback obligation would generally allocated on a relative fair value basis across BRSP's various investments. Accordingly, for any subsequent resolutions or write-downs taken by BRSP on these investments, the Company's share thereof is not recorded as an equity method loss but is applied to reduce the basis difference until such time the basis difference in connection with the respective investments has been fully eliminated. Upon resolution of these investments by BRSP or upon the Company's occur after final disposition of its shares the investments of the fund or otherwise as set forth in BRSP, the basis difference related to resolved investments or governing documents of the proportion of basis difference associated with the BRSP shares disposed is applied to calculate the Company's share of net gain or loss resulting from such resolution or disposition. The Company increased its share of net earnings or reduced its share of net losses from BRSP by \$17.0 million in 2022, \$110.3 million in 2021 and \$83.9 million in 2020, representing the basis difference allocated to investments that were resolved or impaired by BRSP during these periods. The basis difference balance at December 31, 2022 was \$210.7 million. fund.

#### Carried Interest

The carried interest allocation on the balance sheet date represents unrealized carried interest allocation in connection with sponsored funds that are currently in the early stage of their lifecycle. Unrealized carried interest may be subject to reversal until such time it is realized. Carried interest allocation is presented gross of accrued carried interest compensation (Note 7), management allocation.

#### Carried Interest Distributed

In the second half Carried interest of 2022, \$28.4 million in 2023 and \$152.5 million of carried interest in 2022 was distributed and recognized in equity method earnings. \$119.8 million carried interest allocation on the consolidated statement of operations. Of the distributed carried interest, \$0.8 million in 2023 and \$119.8 million in 2022 was allocated to current and former employees and to Wafra (Note 10) 9), recorded as either carried interest compensation, and other loss, or amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests (Note 16). There was no carried interest distribution in 2021.

#### Clawback Obligation

Carried interest distributions may be subject to clawback if decline in investment values results in cumulative performance of the fund falling below minimum return hurdles in the interim period. At December 31, 2022, the The Company does did not have a liability for clawback obligations on carried interest allocation distributed carried interest, as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

With respect to funds that have distributed carried interest, if in the event all of their investments are deemed to have no value, the likelihood of which is remote, all of the carried interest distributions distributed to-date of \$75.1 \$180.9 million would be subject to clawback as of December 31, 2022 December 31, 2023, of which \$58.4 \$120.6 million would be the responsibility of the employee and employee/former employee recipients, recipients and Wafra. For this purpose, a portion of the carried interest allocated distributed is generally held back from these recipients employees and former employees at the time of distribution. The amount withheld resides in entities outside of the Company. Generally, the Company, through the OP, has guaranteed the clawback obligation of its subsidiaries that act as general partner or special limited partner of its respective sponsored funds, for the benefit of these funds and their limited partners.

#### Other Equity Investments

Other equity investments include investments warehoused potentially for future sponsored funds, a marketable equity security and equity interest in a non-traded REIT (Note 10), as well as an investment in a managed account. These investments are generally carried at fair value or under the measurement alternative, which is at cost, adjusted for impairment and observable price changes. Dividends or other distributions from these investments are recorded in other income, while changes in the value of these investments are recorded in other gain (loss) on the consolidated statements of operations.

Debt Investments

Debt investments are composed of subordinated notes in a third party collateralized loan obligation ("CLO") and at December 31, 2022, loans receivable. Interest income from debt investments are recorded in other income.

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Combined Financial Information of Equity Method Investees

The following tables present selected combined financial information of the Company's equity method investees, excluding investees classified as held for disposition. Amounts presented represent combined totals at the investee level and not the Company's proportionate share.

Selected Combined Balance Sheet Information

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022		December 31, 2021	
	\$		\$	
Total assets		27,257,852		19,383,775
Total liabilities		3,440,418		5,500,143
Owners' equity		23,816,178		13,847,605
Noncontrolling interests		1,256		36,027

Selected Combined Statements of Operations Information

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
Total revenues	\$ 246,585	\$ 264,237	\$ 345,053
Net income (loss)	2,197,778	667,381	(323,058)
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests	1,001	(3,535)	(34,602)
Net income (loss) attributable to owners	2,196,777	670,916	(288,456)

Investment and Lending Commitments

Sponsored Funds

At December 31, 2022, the Company had unfunded commitments to its sponsored funds of \$112.2 million, including commitments to a consolidated fund.

Loans Receivable

The Company's DataBank subsidiary has lending commitments to a borrower, which is available to be drawn subject to satisfaction by the borrower of certain financial and operating metrics and an agreed upon budget. At December 31, 2022, the unfunded lending commitments was \$24.2 million, of which the Company's share was \$2.7 million, net of amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests in investment entities. At December 31, 2022, the borrower has not met the required criteria for further funding.

Debt Securities CLO Subordinated Notes

In the third quarter of 2022, bank syndicated loans that the Company previously warehoused were transferred into a third party warehouse entity at their acquisition price totaling \$232.7 million, and securitized through the issuance of collateralized loan obligation ("CLO") CLO securities. The corresponding warehouse facility of \$172.5 million was repaid by the Company, concurrently repaid. The CLO is sponsored and managed by the third party. The Company acquired all of the subordinated notes of the CLO, which are classified as AFS debt securities. The CLO has a stated legal final maturity of 2035.

Following the end of the non-call period in October 2024, the subordinated notes may be redeemed by the Company (in whole, not in part) upon redemption of the secured notes by secured noteholders (in whole, not in part), if there is sufficient proceeds from sale of collateral assets, including payment of expenses therewith. The redemption price for the subordinated notes is equal to its share of excess interest and principal proceeds payable.

The balance of the CLO subordinated notes is summarized as follows:

(in thousands)	Amortized Cost without Allowance for Credit Loss			
		Gains	Losses	Fair Value
At December 31, 2022				

31, 2023 and 2022					
(in thousands)	Amortized Cost without Allowance for Credit Loss	Allowance for Credit Loss		Gross Cumulative Unrealized	
		Loss	Gains	Losses	Fair Value
December					
31, 2022	\$ 50,927	\$ —	\$—	\$—	\$50,927

In estimating fair value of the CLO subordinated notes, the Company used a benchmarking approach by looking to the implied credit spreads derived from observed prices on recent comparable CLO issuances, and also considering the current size and diversification of the CLO collateral pool, and projected return on the subordinated notes. Based upon these data points, the Company determined that the issued price of the subordinated notes in September 2022 was a reasonable representation of its fair value at December 31, 2023 and 2022, classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### Loans Receivable

At December 31, 2023, there was no outstanding balance on loans receivable. Activities in the loans receivable balance is discussed in Note 10.

#### Equity Investments of Consolidated Funds

The Company consolidates sponsored funds in which it has more than an insignificant equity interest in the fund as general partner, as discussed in Note 15. Equity investments of consolidated funds are composed primarily of marketable equity securities held by funds in the liquid securities strategy and investment in Vantage SDC post-deconsolidation. Equity investments of consolidated funds are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in other gain (loss) on the consolidated statements of operations.

#### Combined Financial Information of Equity Method Investees

The following tables presents selected combined financial information of the Company's equity method investees, excluding investees classified as discontinued operations. Amounts presented represent combined totals at the investee level and not the Company's proportionate share.

##### Selected Combined Balance Sheet Information

(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Total assets	\$ 38,062,830	\$ 22,507,463
Total liabilities	413,270	79,053
Owners' equity	37,649,560	22,428,410

##### Selected Combined Statements of Operations Information

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Total revenues	\$ 117,846	\$ 23,232	\$ 39,760
Net income (loss)	2,976,972	2,150,989	771,962

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## 5. Goodwill Deferred Leasing Costs and Other Intangibles Intangible Assets

### Goodwill

Goodwill balance by The following table presents changes in goodwill assigned to the Investment Management reportable segment at both December 31, 2022 and 2021 is as follows, segment.

(In thousands)			
Investment Management <sup>(1)</sup>		\$	298,248
Operating			463,120
Total goodwill		\$	761,368

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
Beginning balance	\$ 298,248	\$ 298,248
Business combination (Note 3)	167,743	—
Ending balance <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 465,991	\$ 298,248

(1) Remaining goodwill deductible for income tax purposes was \$111.8 million at December 31, 2023 and \$122.4 million at December 31, 2022 and \$133.0 million at December 31, 2021.

Deferred Leasing Costs, Other Based on its qualitative assessment, the Company determined that there were no indicators of impairment to goodwill in 2023 and 2022.

## Intangible Assets and Intangible Liabilities

Deferred leasing costs and identifiable investment management intangible assets and liabilities, excluding those related to assets held for disposition, are as follows, composed of the following:

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022			December 31, 2021		
	Carrying Amount (Net of	Accumulated	Net Carrying Amount <sup>(1)</sup>	Carrying Amount (Net of	Accumulated	Net Carrying Amount <sup>(1)</sup>
	Impairment <sup>(1)</sup>	Amortization <sup>(1)</sup>		Impairment <sup>(1)</sup>	Amortization <sup>(1)</sup>	
<b>Deferred Leasing Costs and Intangible Assets</b>						
Deferred leasing costs and lease-related intangible assets <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 1,239,477	\$ (397,975)	\$ 841,502	\$ 1,148,441	\$ (256,987)	\$ 891,454
Investment management intangibles <sup>(3)</sup>	164,189	(82,432)	81,757	164,189	(61,435)	102,754
Customer relationships and service contracts <sup>(4)</sup>	218,154	(62,788)	155,366	218,064	(44,496)	173,568
Trade names	26,400	(15,656)	10,744	26,400	(11,266)	15,134
Other <sup>(5)</sup>	6,818	(4,020)	2,798	6,818	(2,101)	4,717
Total deferred leasing costs and intangible assets	<u>\$ 1,655,038</u>	<u>\$ (562,871)</u>	<u>\$ 1,092,167</u>	<u>\$ 1,563,912</u>	<u>\$ (376,285)</u>	<u>\$ 1,187,627</u>
<b>Intangible Liabilities</b>						
Lease intangible liabilities <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 46,636	\$ (16,812)	\$ 29,824	\$ 44,076	\$ (10,775)	\$ 33,301

(In thousands)	December 31, 2023			December 31, 2022		
	Carrying Amount <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Accumulated	Net Carrying Amount <sup>(1)</sup>	Carrying Amount <sup>(1)</sup>	Accumulated	Net Carrying Amount <sup>(1)</sup>
		Amortization <sup>(1)(2)</sup>			Amortization <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	
Investment management contracts	\$ 150,835	\$ (84,824)	\$ 66,011	\$ 126,868	\$ (68,739)	\$ 58,129
Investor relationships	53,572	(19,190)	34,382	37,321	(13,693)	23,628
Trade name	4,300	(1,907)	2,393	4,300	(1,476)	2,824
Other <sup>(3)</sup>	1,518	(554)	964	1,518	(401)	1,117
	\$ 210,225	\$ (106,475)	\$ 103,750	\$ 170,007	\$ (84,309)	\$ 85,698

(1) Amounts are presented Presented net of impairments and write-offs, write-offs, if any.

(2) Lease Exclude intangible assets are composed of in-place leases, above-market leases and tenant relationships. Lease-intangible liabilities are composed of below-market leases, that were fully amortized in prior years.

(3) Composed of investment management contracts and investor relationships.

(4) In connection with tower assets and data center services provided in the colocation data center business.

(5) Represents primarily the value of an acquired domain name and assembled workforce in an asset acquisition, name.

Impairment The following table summarizes amortization of identifiable Intangible Assets finite-lived intangible assets:

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Investment management contracts	\$ 28,512	\$ 16,741	\$ 21,773
Investor relationships	5,474	4,256	4,256
Trade name	430	430	15,904
Other	152	152	114
	\$ 34,568	\$ 21,579	\$ 42,047

There was no impairment on identifiable intangible assets in 2022. In 2021, impairment was recorded only on identifiable intangible assets held for disposition (Note 21). In 2020, an investment management contract was written down by \$3.8 million to a fair value of \$4.0 million at the time of impairment, classified as Level 3 and determined based upon the revised future net cash flows over the remaining life of the contract, periods presented.

## Future Amortization of Intangible Assets and Liabilities

The following table summarizes amortization of deferred leasing costs and finite-lived intangible assets and intangible liabilities:

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
Net increase (decrease) to rental income <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 273	\$ (2,471)	\$ (1,989)
Amortization expense			
Deferred leasing costs and lease-related intangibles	\$ 154,116	\$ 165,940	\$ 75,099
Investment management intangibles	20,997	26,028	25,285
Customer relationships and service contracts	25,885	31,040	13,297
Trade name	4,392	22,053	4,503
Other	1,911	1,882	174
	<u>\$ 207,301</u>	<u>\$ 246,943</u>	<u>\$ 118,358</u>

(1) Represents the net effect of amortizing above- and below-market leases.

The following table presents the expected future amortization of deferred leasing costs and finite-lived intangible assets and intangible liabilities, excluding those related to assets and liabilities held for disposition..

(In thousands)	Year Ending December 31,						Total
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028 and thereafter	
Net increase (decrease) to rental income	\$ (978)	\$ (1,701)	\$ (1,603)	\$ (1,623)	\$ (1,016)	\$ 1,252	\$ (5,669)
Amortization expense	153,861	123,262	111,393	104,813	93,913	469,432	1,056,674

(In thousands)	Year Ending December 31,						Total
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029 and thereafter	
Investment management contracts	\$ 24,739	\$ 19,049	\$ 11,449	\$ 6,460	\$ 3,480	\$ 834	\$ 66,011
Investor relationships	5,610	5,610	5,610	4,945	3,830	8,777	34,382
Trade name	430	430	430	430	430	243	2,393
Other	152	152	152	152	152	204	964
	<u>\$ 30,931</u>	<u>\$ 25,241</u>	<u>\$ 17,641</u>	<u>\$ 11,987</u>	<u>\$ 7,892</u>	<u>\$ 10,058</u>	<u>\$ 103,750</u>

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## 6. Restricted Cash, Other Assets and Other Liabilities

### Restricted Cash

Restricted cash represents principally cash reserves that are maintained pursuant to the governing agreements of the various securitized debt of the Company and its subsidiaries. Company.

### Other Assets

The following table summarizes the Company's other assets: assets.

(In thousands)	(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Straight-line rents	\$	42,721	\$ 25,516			
Investment deposits and pending deal costs		1,377	22,238			
Prefunded capital expenditures for Vantage SDC	—		24,293			
Prepaid taxes and deferred tax assets, net						

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Prepaid taxes and deferred tax assets, net			
Derivative assets	Derivative assets	11,793	944
Prepaid taxes and deferred tax assets, net		8,709	29,347
Receivables from resolution of investment	Receivables from resolution of investment	14,923	10,463
Operating lease right-of-use asset, net		329,449	349,509
Finance lease right-of-use asset, net		120,261	131,909
Accounts receivable, net			
(1)		66,059	83,878
Receivables from resolution of investment			
Receivables from resolution of investment			
Operating lease right-of-use asset for corporate offices			
Accounts receivable, net			
Prepaid expenses	Prepaid expenses	28,760	20,303
Other assets	Other assets	15,798	24,835
Fixed assets, net (2)		14,200	17,160
Fixed assets, net			
(1)			
Total other assets	Total other assets	\$654,050	\$740,395

(1) Includes primarily receivables from tenants.

(2) Net of accumulated depreciation of \$17.9 million at December 31, 2023 and \$9.8 million at December 31, 2022 and \$19.2 million at December 31, 2021.

### Accrued and Other Liabilities

The following table summarizes the Company's accrued and other liabilities:

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Deferred income (1)	\$ 61,452	\$ 37,143
Interest payable	10,055	14,870
Dividends payable	16,491	15,759

Securities sold short—consolidated funds	40,928	37,970
Current and deferred income tax liability	98	2,016
Contingent consideration payable (Note 10)	125,000	—
Warrants issued to Wafra (Note 10)	17,700	—
Operating lease liability	322,930	342,510
Finance lease liability	135,624	142,777
Accrued compensation	52,031	64,100
Accrued incentive fee and carried interest compensation	171,086	67,258
Accrued real estate and other taxes	21,580	10,523
Payable for Vantage SDC expansion capacity (Note 3)	56,889	55,896
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	185,900	121,931
Due to affiliates (Note 16)	12,451	—
Other liabilities	41,881	31,048
Accrued and other liabilities	<u>\$ 1,272,096</u>	<u>\$ 943,801</u>

(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Deferred investment management fees <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 10,250	\$ 6,265
Interest payable on corporate debt	2,293	4,376
Common and preferred stock dividends payable	16,477	16,491
Securities sold short—consolidated funds	38,481	40,928
Due to custodians—consolidated funds	9,415	35,457
Current and deferred income tax liability	8,403	42
Contingent consideration payable—InfraBridge (Note 10)	11,338	—
Contingent consideration payable—Wafra (Note 9)	35,000	125,000
Warrants issued to Wafra (Note 9)	39,200	17,700
Operating lease liability for corporate offices	49,035	40,497
Accrued compensation	63,761	46,303
Accrued incentive fee and carried interest compensation	356,316	171,086
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	13,844	25,175
Due to affiliates (Note 16)	10,664	12,451
Other liabilities	16,974	5,152
Other liabilities	<u>\$ 681,451</u>	<u>\$ 546,923</u>

(1) Represents primarily prepaid rental income, upfront payment received for data center installation services, and deferred investment management fees. Deferred investment management fees of \$6.3 million at December 31, 2022 and \$6.0 million at December 31, 2021 are expected to be recognized as fee income revenue over a weighted average period of 3.0 years as of December 31, 2023 and 2.9 years and 3.2 years, respectively, as of December 31, 2022. Deferred investment management fees recognized as income of \$3.4 \$3.3 million and \$0.4 \$3.4 million in the years year ended December 31, 2022 December 31, 2023 and 2021 2022, respectively,, respectively, pertain to the deferred management fee balance at the beginning of each respective period.

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## 7. Debt

The Company's corporate debt balance is composed of the following components, excluding debt related to assets held for disposition that is expected to be assumed by the counterparty upon disposition, which is included in liabilities related to assets held for disposition (Note 21).

(In thousands)	Securitized Financing Facility	Convertible and Exchangeable Senior Notes	Investment-Level Secured Debt	Total Debt
<b>December 31, 2022</b>				
Debt at amortized cost				
Principal	\$ 300,000	\$ 278,422	\$ 4,634,235	\$ 5,212,657
Premium (discount), net	—	(1,293)	10,713	9,420
Deferred financing costs	(7,829)	(388)	(57,720)	(65,937)
	<u>\$ 292,171</u>	<u>\$ 276,741</u>	<u>\$ 4,587,228</u>	<u>\$ 5,156,140</u>
<b>December 31, 2021</b>				
Debt at amortized cost				
Principal	\$ 300,000	\$ 338,739	\$ 4,283,983	\$ 4,922,722



Premium (discount), net	—	(3,091)	17,629	14,538
Deferred financing costs	(8,606)	(1,384)	(66,868)	(76,858)
	<u>\$ 291,394</u>	<u>\$ 334,264</u>	<u>\$ 4,234,744</u>	<u>\$ 4,860,402</u>

The following table summarizes certain key terms of the Company's debt.

	Fixed Rate			Variable Rate			Total		
	Outstanding	Weighted Average	Weighted	Outstanding	Weighted Average	Weighted	Outstanding	Weighted Average	Weighted
		Interest Rate (Per	Average Years		Interest Rate (Per	Average Years		Interest Rate (Per	Average Years
(\$ in thousands)	Principal	Annum) <sup>(1)</sup>	Remaining to	Principal	Annum) <sup>(1)</sup>	Remaining to	Principal	Annum) <sup>(1)</sup>	Remaining to
			Maturity <sup>(2)</sup>			Maturity <sup>(2)</sup>			Maturity <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>December 31, 2022</b>									
<b>Recourse</b>									
Secured Fund Fee Revenue Notes <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 300,000	3.93 %	3.7	\$ —	NA	3.7	\$ 300,000	3.93 %	3.7
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes	278,422	5.21 %	0.9	—	NA	NA	278,422	5.21 %	0.9
	<u>578,422</u>			<u>—</u>			<u>578,422</u>		
<b>Non-recourse</b>									
Investment-Level Secured Debt									
Operating segment	3,640,235	2.43 %	3.1	993,500	8.41 %	2.6	4,633,735	3.71 %	3.0
Other	—	NA	NA	500	5.96 %	1.6	500	5.96 %	1.6
	<u>3,640,235</u>			<u>994,000</u>			<u>4,634,235</u>		
	<u>\$ 4,218,657</u>			<u>\$ 994,000</u>			<u>\$ 5,212,657</u>		
<b>December 31, 2021</b>									
<b>Recourse</b>									
Secured Fund Fee Revenue Notes <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 300,000	3.93 %	4.7	\$ —	NA	4.7	\$ 300,000	3.93 %	4.7
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes <sup>(4)</sup>	338,739	5.31 %	2.2	—	NA	NA	338,739	5.31 %	2.2
	<u>638,739</u>			<u>—</u>			<u>638,739</u>		
<b>Non-recourse</b>									
Investment-Level Secured Debt									
Operating segment	3,646,466	2.44 %	4.1	571,017	5.74 %	4.0	4,217,483	2.88 %	4.1
Other	—	NA	NA	66,500	1.31 %	1.6	66,500	1.31 %	1.6
	<u>3,646,466</u>			<u>637,517</u>			<u>4,283,983</u>		
	<u>\$ 4,285,205</u>			<u>\$ 637,517</u>			<u>\$ 4,922,722</u>		

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated based upon outstanding debt principal at balance sheet date. For variable rate debt, weighted average interest rate is calculated based upon the applicable index plus spread at balance sheet date.

<sup>(2)</sup> Calculated based upon anticipated repayment dates for notes issued under securitization financing; otherwise based upon initial maturity dates, or extended maturity dates if extension criteria are met for extensions that are at the Company's option.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represent obligations of special-purpose subsidiaries of the OP as co-issuers a securitized financing facility and certain other special-purpose subsidiaries of DBRG, and secured by assets of these special-purpose subsidiaries, as further described below. DBRG and the OP are not guarantors to the debt.

<sup>(4)</sup> Excludes the 5.375% exchangeable senior notes issued by NRF Holdco DigitalBridge Group, Inc. or the OP that were classified as held for disposition (Note 21) discussed further below. The Company may also have investment level financings that are non-recourse to DBRG such as debt within consolidated funds and subsequently assumed by the acquirer in February 2022, secured debt on warehoused investments. There was no investment-level debt at December 31, 2023.

	December 31, 2023				December 31, 2022			
	Principal	Premium (Discount),	Deferred Financing		Principal	Premium (Discount),	Deferred Financing	
		net	Cost	Amortized Cost		net	Cost	Amortized Cost
(In thousands)								
<b>Corporate debt</b>								
Securitized financing facility	\$ 300,000	—	(5,733)	\$ 294,267	\$ 300,000	—	(7,829)	\$ 292,171

Convertible and exchangeable senior notes	78,422	(810)	(96)	77,516	278,422	(1,293)	(388)	276,741
	378,422	(810)	(5,829)	371,783	578,422	(1,293)	(8,217)	568,912
Investment-level debt	—	—	—	—	500	—	(35)	465
	\$ 378,422	\$ (810)	\$ (5,829)	\$ 371,783	\$ 578,922	\$ (1,293)	\$ (8,252)	\$ 569,377

### Securitized Financing Facility

In July 2021, special-purpose subsidiaries of the OP (the "Co-Issuers") issued Series 2021-1 Secured Fund Fee Revenue Notes, composed of: (i) \$300 million aggregate principal amount of 3.933% Secured Fund Fee Revenue Notes, Series 2021-1, Class A-2 (the "Class A-2 Notes"); and (ii) up to \$300 million (following a \$100 million increase in April 2022) Secured Fund Fee Revenue Variable Funding Notes, Series 2021-1, Class A-1 (the "VFN" and, together with the Class A-2 Notes, the "Series 2021-1 Notes"). The VFN allow the Co-Issuers to borrow on a revolving basis. The Series 2021-1 Notes were issued under an Indenture dated July 2021, as amended in April 2022, that allows the Co-Issuers to issue additional series of notes in the future, subject to certain conditions. The Series 2021-1 Notes had replaced the Company's previous corporate credit facility.

The Series 2021-1 Notes represent obligations of the Co-Issuers and certain other special-purpose subsidiaries of DBRG, and neither DBRG, the OP nor any of its other subsidiaries are liable for the obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Series 2021-1 Notes are secured by net investment management fees earned by subsidiaries of DBRG, equity interests in certain digital portfolio companies in the Operating segment and limited partnership interests in certain digital sponsored funds managed held by subsidiaries of DBRG, as collateral.

The Class A-2 Notes bear interest at a rate of 3.933% per annum, payable quarterly. The VFN bear interest generally based upon 1-month Adjusted Term Secured Overnight Financing Rate or SOFR (prior to April 2022, 3-month LIBOR) or

an alternate benchmark as set forth in the purchase agreement of the VFN plus 3%. Unused amounts capacity under the VFN facility is subject to a commitment fee of 0.5% per annum. The final maturity date of the Class A-2 Notes is in September 2051, with an anticipated repayment date in September 2026. The anticipated repayment date of the VFN is in September 2024, subject to two one-year extensions at the option of the Co-Issuers. If the Series 2021-1 Notes are not repaid or refinanced prior to their anticipated repayment date, or such date is not extended for the VFN, interest will accrue at a higher rate and the Series 2021-1 Notes will begin to amortize quarterly.

The Series 2021-1 Notes may be optionally prepaid, in whole or in part, prior to their anticipated repayment dates. There is no prepayment penalty on the VFN. However, prepayment of the Class A-2 Notes will be subject to additional consideration based upon the difference between the present value of future payments of principal and interest and the outstanding principal of such Class A-2 Note that is being prepaid; or 1% of the outstanding principal of such Class A-2 Note that is being prepaid in connection with a disposition of collateral.

The Indenture of the Series 2021-1 Notes contains various covenants, including financial covenants that require the maintenance of minimum thresholds for debt service coverage ratio and maximum loan-to-value ratio, as defined. As of the date of this filing, the Co-Issuers are in compliance with all of the financial covenants, and the full \$300 million under the VFN is available to be drawn.

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### Convertible and Exchangeable Senior Notes

Convertible and exchangeable senior notes (collectively, the senior notes) are composed of the following, each representing senior unsecured obligations of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. or a subsidiary the OP as the respective issuers of the senior notes:

Description	Description	Issuance Date	Due Date	Interest Rate (per annum)	Conversion or Exchange Price (per share of common stock)	Conversion or Exchange Ratio (in shares)	Conversion or Exchange Ratio (in thousands)	Earliest Redemption Date	Outstanding Principal	Interest Rate (per annum)	Conversion or Exchange Price (per share of common stock)	Conversion or Exchange Ratio (in shares)	Earliest Redemption Date	Outstanding Principal
Issued by DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	Issued by DigitalBridge Group, Inc.													
5.00% Convertible Senior Notes		April 2013	April 2023	5.00 %	\$ 63.02	15.8675	3,174	April 22, 2020	\$200,000					
Issued by DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	Issued by DigitalBridge Group, Inc.													
5.00% Convertible Senior Notes (2)														

5.00% Convertible Senior Notes <sup>(2)</sup>									
5.00% Convertible Senior Notes <sup>(2)</sup>									
Issued by	Issued by DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC								
DigitalBridge									
Operating									
Company, LLC									
5.75%	5.75%	July	July						
Exchangeable	Exchangeable	15, 2020	5,750 %	9.20	108.6956	8,524	July 21, 2023	78,422	138,739
Senior Notes	Senior Notes	2025							
								\$ 278,422	\$ 338,739
5.75% Exchangeable Senior Notes									
5.75% Exchangeable Senior Notes									
								—	
								\$	
								=	

(1) The conversion or exchange **rate ratio** for the senior notes is subject to periodic adjustments to reflect certain carried-forward adjustments relating to common stock splits, reverse stock splits, common stock adjustments in connection with spin-offs and cumulative cash dividends paid on the Company's common stock since the issuances of the **respective** senior notes. The **conversion or exchange** ratios are presented in shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal of each senior note.

(2) Fully repaid in April 2023.

The senior notes mature on their **respective** due dates, unless earlier redeemed, repurchased, **converted or exchanged, as applicable, exchanged**. The outstanding senior notes are **convertible or** exchangeable at any time by holders of such notes into shares of the Company's common stock at the applicable **conversion or** exchange rate, which is subject to adjustment upon occurrence of certain events.

To the extent certain trading conditions of the Company's common stock are met, the senior notes are redeemable by the **applicable** issuer **thereof** in whole or in part for cash at any time on or after their **respective** earliest redemption dates at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of such senior notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest (if any) up to, but excluding, the redemption date.

In the event of certain change in control transactions, holders of the senior notes have the right to require the **applicable** issuer to purchase all or part of such holder's senior notes for cash in accordance with terms of the governing documents of the **respective** senior notes.

#### Exchange of Senior Notes For Common Stock and Cash

There were no exchange transactions in 2023.

In March 2022, DBRG and the OP completed separate privately negotiated exchange transactions with certain noteholders of the 5.75% exchangeable **notes**. The Company exchanged in aggregate \$60.3 million of outstanding principal of the 5.75% exchangeable notes as follows:

(In thousands)	Principal of 5.75% Exchangeable Notes Exchanged	Consideration for Exchange	
		Class A Common Stock Issued	Cash Paid
March 2022	\$ 60,317	6,389	\$ 13,887
October and November 2021	161,261	18,341	—
	\$ 221,578	24,730	\$ 13,887

into 6,389,366 shares of the Company's class A common stock and paid \$13.9 million of cash. The March 2022 exchanges resulted in a debt extinguishment loss of \$133.2 million, calculated as the excess of consideration paid over the carrying value of the notes exchanged, and recorded in other loss on the consolidated statement of operations. Consideration was measured at fair value based upon the closing price of the Company's class A common stock on the date of the respective exchanges, and cash paid, net of transaction costs. Unlike the exchange transactions in 2021, the March 2022 The exchanges did not qualify **for as** debt conversion **accounting** and were treated as **a** debt extinguishment as the Company issued less than the number of shares issuable under the stated exchange ratio of 108.696 shares per \$1,000 of note principal exchanged.

The exchange transactions in the fourth quarter of 2021 were treated as debt conversions that resulted in a debt conversion expense of \$25.1 million, recorded as interest expense, as the original exchange ratio was adjusted to account for savings on avoided future interest payments otherwise due to the noteholders. The debt conversion expense represents the shares of the Company's class A common stock issued in excess of such shares issuable pursuant to the original exchange ratio, and measured at fair value based upon the closing price of the Company's class A common stock on the date of the respective exchanges.

#### Investment-Level Secured Debt

These are investment level financing that are non-recourse to the Company and secured by data center portfolios held by subsidiaries in the Operating segment, and at December 31, 2021, also secured by previously warehoused loans receivable. At December 31, 2022, the subsidiaries in the Operating segment were in compliance with the financial covenants underlying their respective investment-level secured debt.

While there were no securitization activities in 2022, in 2021, however, subsidiaries in the Operating segment refinanced or raised additional debt through new securitization transactions, as follows:

In March 2021 and October 2021, DataBank raised \$657.9 million and \$332 million of 5-year securitized notes at blended fixed rates of 2.32% and 2.43% per annum, respectively. Proceeds from the March securitization were applied principally to refinance \$514 million of outstanding debt, which meaningfully reduced DataBank's overall cost of debt and extended its debt maturities, while the October proceeds were used to repay borrowings on its credit facility and to finance future acquisitions.

In November 2021, Vantage SDC issued \$530 million of 5-year securitized notes at a blended fixed rate of 2.17% per annum. Proceeds were applied to replace its current bridge financing and fund capital expenditures on the September 2021 add-on acquisition as well as to fund payments for future build-out and lease-up of expansion capacity.

#### Future Minimum Principal Payments

The following table summarizes future scheduled minimum principal payments of debt at December 31, 2022, excluding debt classified as held for disposition (Note 21) December 31, 2023. Future debt principal payments are presented based upon anticipated repayment dates for notes issued under securitization financing, or based upon initial maturity dates or extended maturity dates if extension criteria are met at December 31, 2022 for extensions that are at the Company's option. financing.

(In thousands)	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
<b>Corporate debt</b>						
Securitized financing facility	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 300,000	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 300,000
Exchangeable senior notes	—	78,422	—	—	—	78,422
	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 78,422</u>	<u>\$ 300,000</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 378,422</u>

Year Ending December 31,						
(In thousands)	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
Secured fund fee revenue notes	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 300,000	\$ —	\$ 300,000
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes	200,000	—	78,422	—	—	278,422
Investment-level secured debt						
Operating segment	228,792	879,003	1,175,250	1,750,690	600,000	4,633,735
Other	—	500	—	—	—	500
Total	<u>\$ 428,792</u>	<u>\$ 879,503</u>	<u>\$ 1,253,672</u>	<u>\$ 2,050,690</u>	<u>\$ 600,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,212,657</u>

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### 9.8. Stockholders' Equity

The table below summarizes the share activities of the Company's preferred stock and common stock.

Number of Shares					Number of Shares			
		Preferred	Class A	Class B				
(In thousands)	(In thousands)	Stock	Common Stock	Common Stock	(In thousands)	Preferred Stock	Class A Common Stock	Class B Common Stock
Shares outstanding at								
December 31, 2019		41,350	121,761	183				
Shares issued upon redemption of OP Units		—	546	—				
Repurchase of common stock, net <sup>(1)</sup>		—	(3,183)	—				
Equity-based compensation, net of forfeitures		—	2,419	—				
Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested stock awards		—	(692)	—				
Shares outstanding at December 31, 2020	Shares outstanding at December 31, 2020	41,350	120,851	183				
Redemption of preferred stock	Redemption of preferred stock	(6,010)	—	—				

Exchange of notes for class A common stock	Exchange of notes for class A common stock	—	18,341	—
Shares issued upon redemption of OP Units	Shares issued upon redemption of OP Units	—	501	—
Conversion of class B to class A common stock	Conversion of class B to class A common stock	—	17	(17)
Shares issued pursuant to settlement liability <sup>(2)</sup>		—	1,488	—
Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures		—	1,645	—
Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested equity awards		—	(699)	—
Shares issued pursuant to settlement liability <sup>(1)</sup>				
Equity-based compensation, net of forfeitures				
Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested stock awards				
<b>Shares outstanding at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>Shares outstanding at December 31, 2021</b>	35,340	142,144	166
Stock repurchases				
Stock repurchases				
Stock repurchases	Stock repurchases	(2,229)	(4,195)	—
Exchange of notes for class A common stock		—	6,389	—
Shares issued upon redemption of OP Units	Shares issued upon redemption of OP Units	—	100	—
Shares issued for redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 10)		—	14,435	—

Shares issued for redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 9)

Shares issued for redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 9)

Shares issued for redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest (Note 9)

Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures	Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures	—	1,589	—
Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested equity awards	Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested equity awards	—	(699)	—
Shares outstanding at December 31, 2022	Shares outstanding at December 31, 2022	33,111	159,763	166

Shares outstanding at December 31, 2022

Shares outstanding at December 31, 2022

Stock repurchases

Stock repurchases

Stock repurchases

Shares issued upon redemption of OP Units

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Shares issued upon redemption of OP Units

Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures

Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures

Equity awards issued, net of forfeitures

Shares canceled for tax withholding on vested equity awards

Shares outstanding at December 31, 2023

ⓘ Shares repurchased in 2020 are presented net of reissuance of 964,160 shares of class A common stock in connection with a settlement liability. In 2021, the liability was settled through the reissuance of some of the repurchased shares that were held in a subsidiary (Note 11). Shares repurchased and not reissued were cancelled.

■ In 2021, the settlement liability was settled through the reissuance of some of the shares previously repurchased and held in a [subsidiary \(Note 11\)](#), [subsidiary](#). Shares of class A common stock repurchased and not reissued in the settlement of the liability were subsequently cancelled.

### Preferred Stock

In the event of a liquidation or dissolution of the Company, preferred stockholders have priority over common stockholders for payment of dividends and distribution of net assets.

The table below summarizes the preferred stock issued and outstanding at [December 31, 2022](#) [December 31, 2023](#):

Description	Description	Dividend Rate Per Annum	Initial Issuance Date	Shares Outstanding (in thousands)	Par Value (in thousands)	Liquidation Preference (in thousands)	Earliest Redemption Date	Description	Dividend Rate Per Annum	Initial Issuance Date	Shares Outstanding (in thousands)	Par Value (in thousands)	Liquidation Preference (in thousands)	Earliest Redemption Date
Series H	Series H	7.125 %	April 2015	8,430	\$ 84	\$210,756	Currently redeemable	Series H	7.125 %	April 2015	8,395	\$ 84	\$209,870	Currently redeemable
Series I	Series I	7.15 %	June 2017	12,989	130	324,728	Currently redeemable	Series I	7.15 %	June 2017	12,867	129	321,668	Currently redeemable
Series J	Series J	7.125 %	September 2017	11,692	117	292,295	Currently redeemable	Series J	7.125 %	September 2017	11,614	116	290,361	Currently redeemable
				33,111	\$ 331	\$827,779								
				32,876										

All series of preferred stock are at parity with respect to dividends and distributions, including distributions upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company. Dividends on [Series H, I and J of preferred stock](#) are payable quarterly in arrears in January, April, July and October.

Each series of preferred stock is redeemable on or after the earliest redemption date for that series at \$25.00 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared) prorated to their redemption dates, exclusively at the Company's option. The redemption period for each series of preferred stock is subject to the Company's right under limited circumstances to redeem the preferred stock upon the occurrence of a change of control (as defined in the articles supplementary relating to each series of preferred stock).

Preferred stock generally does not have any voting rights, except if the Company fails to pay the preferred dividends for six or more quarterly periods (whether or not consecutive). Under such circumstances, the preferred stock will be entitled to vote, together as a single class with any other series of parity stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable, to elect two additional directors to the Company's board of directors, until all unpaid dividends have been paid or declared and set aside for payment. In addition, certain changes to the terms of any series of

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preferred stock cannot be made without the affirmative vote of holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of each such series of preferred stock voting separately as a class for each series of preferred stock.

### Common Stock

Except with respect to voting rights, class A common stock and class B common stock have the same rights and privileges and rank equally, share ratably in dividends and distributions, and are identical in all respects as to all matters. Class A common stock has one vote per share and class B common stock has thirty-six and one-half votes per share. This gives the holders of class B common stock a right to vote that reflects the aggregate outstanding non-voting economic interest in the Company (in the form of OP Units) attributable to class B common stock holders and therefore, does not provide any disproportionate voting rights. Class B common stock was issued as consideration in the Company's acquisition in April 2015 of the investment management business and operations of its former manager, which was previously controlled by the Company's former Executive Chairman. Each share of class B common stock shall convert automatically into one share of class A common stock if the former Executive Chairman or his beneficiaries directly or indirectly transfer beneficial ownership of class B common stock or OP Units held by them, other than to certain qualified transferees, which generally includes affiliates and employees. In addition, each holder of class B common stock has the right, at the holder's option, to convert all or a portion of such holder's class B common stock into an equal number of shares of class A common stock.

The Company reinstated quarterly common stock dividends at \$0.01 per share beginning the third quarter of 2022, having previously suspended common stock dividends from the second quarter of 2020 through the second quarter of 2022.

#### Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan

The Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan (the "DRIP Plan") provides existing common stockholders and other investors the opportunity to purchase shares (or additional shares, as applicable) of the Company's class A common stock by reinvesting some or all of the cash dividends received on their shares of the Company's class A common stock or making optional cash purchases within specified parameters. The DRIP Plan involves the acquisition of the Company's class A common stock either in the open market, directly from the Company as newly issued common stock, or in privately negotiated transactions with third parties. [To date, no](#) [No](#) shares of class A common stock have been acquired under the DRIP Plan in the form of new issuances in the last three years.

#### Reverse Stock Split

In August 2022, the Company effectuated a one-for-four reverse stock split of its outstanding shares of class A and class B common stock. [At that time, t](#)[The](#) [he](#) number of authorized shares of common stock was not [concurrently](#) adjusted [in connection with the reverse and par value of common stock split, however, the Company intends was](#)



proportionately increased from \$0.01 to seek \$0.04 per share. Following stockholder approval to make a proportional change to in May 2023, the number of authorized shares of class A and class B common stock at its next annual meeting of stockholders, was proportionately decreased to Par 237,250,000 shares and 250,000 shares, respectively and par value of common stock was proportionately increased decreased from \$0.01 \$0.04 to \$0.04 per share. Common stock share and \$0.01 per share, information, including OP Units and stock award units, as well as the Company's senior note conversion or exchange ratio resulting in common stock shares have been revised for all periods presented to give effect to the reverse stock split, approximately \$4.9 million increase in additional paid-in capital.

#### Stock Repurchases and Redemptions

Pursuant to a \$200 million stock repurchase program announced in July 2022 that expired in June 2023:

- In 2023, the Company repurchased 235,223 shares in aggregate across Series H, I and J preferred stock for approximately \$4.7 million, or a weighted average price of \$20.18 per share.
- In 2022, the Company repurchased (i) 2,228,805 shares in aggregate across Series H, I and J preferred stock at a discount for \$52.6 million, or a weighted average price of \$23.62 per share; and (ii) 4,195,020 shares of class A common stock for \$54.9 million, or a weighted average price of \$13.09 per share, in the third and fourth quarters of 2022. The program expires on June 30, 2023 and may be extended, modified, or discontinued at any time by the Company's Board of Directors, share.
- In 2021, the Company redeemed all of its outstanding 7.5% Series G preferred stock in August for \$86.8 million using proceeds from its the securitized financing facility and 2,560,000 shares of its 7.125% Series H preferred stock in November for approximately \$64.4 million. All redemptions were made at the liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share.

In January 2020, the Company settled the December 2019 redemption of its outstanding Series B and Series E preferred stock for \$402.9 million. During the first quarter of 2020, pursuant to a \$300 million stock repurchase program that expired in May 2020, the Company repurchased 3,183,301 shares of class A common stock for \$24.6 million, or a weighted average price of \$7.73 per share.

With respect to preferred stock, the The excess or deficit of the repurchase or redemption price over the carrying value of the preferred stock results in a decrease or increase to net income attributable to common stockholders, respectively.

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#### Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The following tables present the changes in each component of AOCI attributable to stockholders and noncontrolling interests in investment entities, net of immaterial tax effect. AOCI attributable to noncontrolling interests in Operating Company is immaterial.

##### Changes in Components of AOCI—Stockholders

(In thousands)	(In thousands)	Company's						(In thousands)						Total
		Share in AOCI of Equity Method	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on AFS Debt Securities	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Cash Flow Hedges	Foreign Currency Translation Gain (Loss)	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Net Investment Hedges	Total		Company's Share in AOCI of Equity Method	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on AFS Debt Securities	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Cash Flow Hedges	Foreign Currency Translation Gain (Loss)	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Net Investment Hedges	
<b>AOCI at December 31, 2019</b>		\$ 9,281	\$ 7,823	\$ (226)	\$ 139	\$ 30,651	\$ 47,668							
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications		8,437	1,844	(7)	52,468	16,008	78,750							
Amounts reclassified from AOCI			(3,595)		225	(925)	(4,295)							
<b>AOCI at December 31, 2020</b>	<b>AOCI at December 31, 2020</b>	<b>\$ 17,718</b>	<b>\$ 6,072</b>	<b>\$ (233)</b>	<b>\$ 52,832</b>	<b>\$ 45,734</b>	<b>\$ 122,123</b>							
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(12,386)	(211)	—	(35,001)	1,731	(45,867)							
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	Amounts reclassified from AOCI	(2,998)	—	233	10,153	(39,779)	(32,391)							
Deconsolidation of investment entities	Deconsolidation of investment entities	—	—	—	(1,482)	—	(1,482)							

<b>AOCl at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>AOCl at December 31, 2021</b>							
		\$ 2,334	\$ 5,861	\$ —	\$ 26,502	\$ 7,686	\$ 42,383	
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(2,429)	—	—	(10,923)	8,396	(4,956)	
Amounts reclassified from AOCl	Amounts reclassified from AOCl	(200)	(5,861)	—	(16,793)	(16,082)	(38,936)	
<b>AOCl at December 31, 2022</b>	<b>AOCl at December 31, 2022</b>	\$ (295)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (1,214)	\$ —	\$ (1,509)	

#### AOCl at December 31, 2022

#### AOCl at December 31, 2022

Other  
comprehensive  
income (loss)  
before  
reclassifications

Amounts  
reclassified from  
AOCl

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entities

AOCl at  
December 31,  
2023

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#### Changes in Components of AOCl—Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities

<b>(In thousands)</b>	<b>Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Cash Flow Hedges</b>	<b>Foreign Currency Translation Gain (Loss)</b>	<b>Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Net Investment Hedges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>AOCl at December 31, 2019</b>	\$ (1,005)	\$ (17,913)	\$ 10,659	\$ (8,259)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(25)	101,853	5,313	107,141
Amounts reclassified from AOCl	—	(95)	(873)	(968)
<b>AOCl at December 31, 2020</b>	\$ (1,030)	\$ 83,845	\$ 15,099	\$ 97,914
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	—	(65,127)	—	(65,127)
Amounts reclassified from AOCl	1,030	(1,364)	(15,099)	(15,433)
Deconsolidation of investment entities	—	(6,297)	—	(6,297)
<b>AOCl at December 31, 2021</b>	\$ —	\$ 11,057	\$ —	\$ 11,057
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	—	(4,571)	—	(4,571)
Amounts reclassified from AOCl	—	(9,501)	—	(9,501)
<b>AOCl at December 31, 2022</b>	\$ —	\$ (3,015)	\$ —	\$ (3,015)

<b>(In thousands)</b>	<b>Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Cash Flow Hedges</b>	<b>Foreign Currency Translation Gain (Loss)</b>	<b>Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Net Investment Hedges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>AOCl at December 31, 2020</b>	\$ (1,030)	\$ 83,845	\$ 15,099	\$ 97,914
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	—	(65,127)	—	(65,127)

Amounts reclassified from AOCI	1,030	(1,364)	(15,099)	(15,433)
Deconsolidation of investment entities	—	(6,297)	—	(6,297)
<b>AOCI at December 31, 2021</b>	—	11,057	—	11,057
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	—	(4,571)	—	(4,571)
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	—	(9,501)	—	(9,501)
<b>AOCI at December 31, 2022</b>	—	(3,015)	—	(3,015)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	—	884	—	884
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	—	(468)	—	(468)
Deconsolidation of investment entities	—	2,550	—	2,550
<b>AOCI at December 31, 2023</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ (49)</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ (49)</b>

#### Reclassifications out of AOCI—Stockholders

Information about amounts reclassified out of AOCI attributable to stockholders by component is presented below. Such amounts are included in other gain (loss) in **both** continuing and discontinued operations on the **consolidated** statements of operations, as applicable, except for amounts related to equity method investments, which are included in equity method losses in discontinued operations.

(In thousands)

(In thousands)

(In thousands)	(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,			Year Ended December 31,						Affected Line Item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations
Component of AOCI reclassified into earnings	Component of AOCI reclassified into earnings	2022	2021	2020							Affected Line Item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations
Relief of basis of AFS debt securities	Relief of basis of AFS debt securities	\$5,861	\$ —	\$3,595	Other gain (loss), net						
Relief of basis of AFS debt securities											
Relief of basis of AFS debt securities											

Release of equity in AOCI of equity method investments	200	2,998	—	Equity method earnings (losses)
Release of AOCI of equity method investments				Release of AOCI of equity method investments
				(296)
				200

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## 9. Noncontrolling Interests

### Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

The following table presents the activity activities in redeemable noncontrolling interests in the Company's investment management business through its redemption in May 2022 as discussed below, and in open-end funds sponsored and in the liquid securities strategy consolidated by the Company.

		Year Ended December 31,					Year Ended December 31,		
(In thousands)	(In thousands)	2022	2021	2020	(In thousands)	2023	2022	2021	
<u>Redeemable noncontrolling interests</u>	<u>Redeemable noncontrolling interests</u>								
Beginning balance	Beginning balance								
Beginning balance	Beginning balance								
Beginning balance	Beginning balance	\$359,223	\$305,278	\$ 6,107					
Contributions	Contributions	11,650	42,514	307,414					
Distributions paid and payable, including redemptions by limited partners in consolidated funds	Distributions paid and payable, including redemptions by limited partners in consolidated funds	(20,784)	(23,246)	(8,859)					
Net income (loss)	Net income (loss)	(26,778)	34,677	616					
Adjustment of Wafra's interest to redemption value and warrants held by Wafra to fair value	Adjustment of Wafra's interest to redemption value and warrants held by Wafra to fair value	725,026	—	—					
Redemption of Wafra's interest	Redemption of Wafra's interest	(862,276)	—	—					
Reclassification of warrants held by Wafra to liability in May 2022 (Note 7)	Reclassification of warrants held by Wafra to liability in May 2022 (Note 7)	(81,400)	—	—					
Reclassification of warrants held by Wafra to liability in May 2022 (Note 6)	Reclassification of warrants held by Wafra to liability in May 2022 (Note 6)								

Reclassification of Wafra's carried interest allocation to noncontrolling interests in investment entities in May 2022	Reclassification of Wafra's carried interest allocation to noncontrolling interests in investment entities in May 2022	(4,087)	—	—
Ending balance	Ending balance	\$100,574	\$359,223	\$305,278
Ending balance				
Ending balance				

#### Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest in Investment Management

**Strategic Investment** On May 23, 2022, the Company redeemed the 31.5% noncontrolling interest in 2020 its investment management business held by Wafra pursuant to a purchase and sale agreement ("PSA") entered into in April 2022.

In July 2020, the Company formed a strategic partnership connection with affiliates of Wafra, Inc. (collectively, "Wafra"), a private Wafra's initial investment firm and a global partner for alternative asset managers, in which Wafra made a minority investment in substantially all of the Company's investment management business. The investment entitled business in July 2020, Wafra to participate in approximately 31.5% of the net management fees and carried interest generated by the investment management business.

Pursuant to this strategic partnership, Wafra had assumed directly and also indirectly through a participation interest \$124.9 million of the Company's commitments to DigitalBridge Partners, LP ("DBP I"), and has a \$125.0 million commitment to DigitalBridge Partners DBP II LP ("DBP II") that has been partially funded to-date. These are the Company's flagship value-add equity infrastructure funds. Wafra had also agreed to make commitments to the Company's future funds and investment vehicles on a pro rata basis with the Company based on Wafra's percentage interest in the investment management business, subject to certain caps.

In addition, the Company issued Wafra five warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 5% of the Company's class A common stock (5% at the time of the transaction, on a fully-diluted, post-transaction basis). Each warrant entitles Wafra to purchase up to 1,338,000 shares of the Company's class A common stock at staggered strike prices between \$9.72 and \$24.00 each, exercisable through July 17, 2026. No warrants have been exercised to-date.

Wafra paid cash consideration of \$253.6 million at closing in exchange for its investment in the investment management business and for the warrants. As previously agreed, Wafra paid additional consideration of \$29.9 million in April 2021 based upon the investment management business having achieved a minimum run-rate of earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization (as defined for the purpose of this computation) of \$72.0 million as of December 31, 2020. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors had approved an allocation of 50% of the contingent consideration received from Wafra as incentive compensation to management, to be paid on behalf of certain employees to fund a portion of their share of capital contributions Pursuant to the DBP funds as capital calls are made for these funds. Compensation expense is recognized over time based upon an estimated timeline for deployment of capital by the funds, adjusted as necessary to correspond to the actual timing of capital calls to be funded by the Company on behalf of management.

Wafra had customary minority rights and certain other structural protections designed to protect its interests, including redemption rights with respect to its investment in the investment management business and its funded commitments in certain digital funds. Wafra's redemption rights were subject to triggering events, including key person or cause events under the governing documents of certain digital funds.

#### Redemption of Strategic Investment in 2022

On May 23, 2022, pursuant to a purchase and sale agreement ("PSA") entered into with Wafra in April 2022: (a) the Company acquired Wafra's 31.5% interest in its investment management business; (b) PSA, Wafra's entitlement to carried interest in DBP II was reduced from 12.6% to 7%; and (c) with certain limited exceptions, Wafra sold or gave up its right to invest in, or receive carried interest from, future investment management products, but except as otherwise provided, retained its investment in and its allocation of carried interest from existing investment management products.

Consideration for the redemption of Wafra's interest consisted of: (i) an upfront payment of \$388.5 million in cash (after certain net cash adjustments) and 14,435,399 shares of the Company's Class A common stock valued at \$348.8 million based upon the closing price of the Company's class A common stock on May 23, 2022; and (ii) Wafra's right to earn a contingent amount between \$90 million and up to \$125 million if the Company raises fee earning equity under management (as defined in the PSA) between \$4 billion and up to \$6 billion during the period from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2023, payable in March 2023 for portion earned in 2022 and March 2024 for any remaining portion earned in 2023, with up to 50% payable in shares of the Company's Class A common stock at the Company's election. Based upon the capital raised by the The Company paid Wafra in 2022, cash \$90 million is payable to Wafra of the contingent amount in March 2023.

The carrying value of Wafra's redeemable noncontrolling interest was adjusted to fair value prior to redemption, initially based upon an estimate of consideration payable at March 31, 2022 when redemption was deemed to be probable, including the maximum potential contingent amount of \$125 million. This adjustment resulted in an allocation from additional paid-in capital to redeemable noncontrolling interests on the consolidated balance sheet.

Additionally, the The unrealized carried interest earnings allocated to Wafra that was retained and no longer subject to redemption was reclassified in May 2022 to permanent equity, included in noncontrolling interests in investment entities.

Additionally, in July 2020, the Company had also issued Wafra five warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 5% of the Company's class A common stock (5% at the time of the transaction, on a fully-diluted, post-transaction basis), as described further in Note 10. In connection with the redemption, the terms of the warrants previously issued to Wafra were amended, among other things, to provide for net cash settlement upon exercise of the warrants, at election of either the Company or Wafra, if such exercise would result in

Wafra beneficially owning in excess of 9.8% of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company's class A common stock. Inclusion of the cash settlement feature changed the classification of the warrants from

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equity to liability. The warrants were remeasured to fair value prior to reclassification in May 2022, with the increase in value recorded in equity to reduce additional paid-in capital. Subsequent changes in fair value of the warrant liability is recorded in [earnings \(Note 11\)](#), [earnings](#).

The Company's redemption of Wafra's interest [in May 2022](#) also resulted in the assumption of \$5.2 million of deferred tax asset that now accrues to the Company.

[Following the redemption, the Chief Investment Officer of Wafra, Adel Alderbas, will serve as a senior advisor to the Company for a period of three years.](#)

## Noncontrolling Interests in Investment Entities

### DataBank [Additional Investment](#)

[In January 2022, a shareholder of DataBank sold its equity interest to the Company and an existing investor, resulting in an additional \\$32.0 million investment Vantage SDC represent portfolio companies managed by the Company under its Investment Management segment with respect to equity interests owned by third party capital and, prior to deconsolidation \(as discussed below\) and reclassification to discontinued operations in DataBank. Following this transaction and additional equity funded by the shareholders of DataBank 2023 \(Note 2\), were consolidated in connection with its data center acquisition in March 2022 \(Note 3\), the Company's interest in DataBank increased from 20% to 21.8% \(prior to recapitalization as discussed below\), former Operating segment.](#)

### [DataBank](#)

#### [2022 DataBank Recapitalization](#)

[The Company began a partial recapitalization of DataBank was partially recapitalized in the second half of 2022 through multiple sales of equity interest to new investors, totaling \\$2.0 billion resulting in cash. The Company's ownership interest in DataBank decreased from 21.8% \(as noted above\) net proceeds to 11.0%. The Company's share the Company of proceeds from the sale was approximately \\$425.5 million, including its share of carried interest, net of allocation to employees, employees and former employees of \\$20.1 million \(the "2022 Recapitalization"\). As a result of the 2022 Recapitalization, the Company's ownership decreased from 21.8% to 11.0% at December 31, 2022.](#)

[Upon completion of the 2022 Recapitalization, the Company reconsidered its consolidation assessment and concluded that it remained the primary beneficiary of the VIE through which it holds its interest in DataBank. As the transaction 2022 Recapitalization involved a change in ownership of a consolidated subsidiary, it was accounted for as an equity transaction. The difference between the book value of the Company's interest and its ownership based upon the current fair value of DataBank resulted in a reallocation from noncontrolling interests in investment entities to additional paid-in capital totaling \\$230.2 million in the third and fourth quarters of \\$230.2 2022.](#)

#### [2023 DataBank Recapitalization and Deconsolidation](#)

[In September 2023, the Company completed the partial recapitalization of DataBank through additional sales of equity interest to new investors \(the "2023 Recapitalization"\), resulting in net proceeds to the Company of \\$49.4 million, including carried interest of \\$27.9 million.](#)

[The recapitalization transaction triggered an accelerated vesting of certain profits interest units that had been issued by DataBank to its employees. As a result of the accelerated vesting, \\$10 2023 Recapitalization, the Company's ownership interest in DataBank decreased from 11.0% to 9.87%.](#)

[Upon completion of the 2023 Recapitalization, the Company reconsidered its consolidation assessment and concluded that it no longer held a controlling financial interest in DataBank and was no longer the primary beneficiary of the VIE through which it holds its interest in DataBank. As a result, the Company deconsolidated DataBank effective September 14, 2023, and accounts for its remaining investment in DataBank using the equity method.](#)

[In connection with the deconsolidation, the Company realized a \\$3.7 million gain from the sale of additional its equity interest in the 2023 Recapitalization, and remeasured its remaining 9.87% equity interest in DataBank at a fair value of \\$434.5 million \(Note 4\) based compensation upon the pricing of the recapitalization, which resulted in an unrealized gain of \\$275.0 million. The total gain of \\$278.7 million was recorded in 2022 based upon DataBank's original grant date other gain \(loss\), net on the Company's consolidated statements of operations, and is presented in Corporate and Other.](#)

[As of December 31, 2023, the Company's interest in DataBank was 9.5% following a dilution of its interest as a result of a rights offering by DataBank in November 2023.](#)

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### [Vantage SDC](#)

#### [Vantage SDC Deconsolidation](#)

[In connection with the Company's acquisition of Vantage SDC in July 2020 and an additional data center in September 2021, the Company and its co-investors committed to acquire the future build-out of expansion capacity, along with lease-up of the expanded capacity and existing inventory, the costs of which are borne by the existing owners of Vantage SDC. Through 2023, the cost of the expansion capacity had been funded by Vantage SDC from borrowings under its credit facilities or through cash from operations, except for a \\$122 million payment that has been deferred to December 2024 and treated as a contribution of infrastructure assets and lease intangibles by the existing owners of Vantage SDC that was funded through equity. On December 31, 2023, there was an accelerated settlement of \\$36 million of the deferred payment through a combination of a\) a](#)

reallocation of equity from DBRG and its co-investors to the existing owners at 150%; and b) issuance of a note payable to an existing owner. This settlement transaction resulted in a dilution of the ownership held by DBRG and its co-investors in Vantage SDC, with DBRG's interest decreasing from 13.1% to 12.8%.

On December 31, 2023, in connection with the accelerated partial settlement of the deferred payment which diluted the Company's interest in Vantage SDC, certain governance changes were concurrently made at Vantage SDC. This resulted in a dilution of the Company's voting rights and the Company is no longer deemed to control the Board of Managers of Vantage SDC. In light of the governance changes, the Company reconsidered its consolidation assessment and concluded that it no longer held a controlling financial interest in Vantage SDC and was no longer the primary beneficiary of Vantage SDC. As a result, the Company deconsolidated Vantage SDC effective December 31, 2023. The Company's interest in Vantage SDC is held through two consolidated funds, which aggregated to a 38.3% interest in Vantage SDC, of which the Company's share is 12.8% and remaining 25.6% is held by limited partners of the consolidated funds which represent noncontrolling interests. In connection with the deconsolidation, the remaining interest in Vantage SDC held by the consolidated funds were remeasured at fair value of \$393.8 million (Note 4), resulting in an immaterial difference in the remeasured value, recorded in earnings.

Effect of Deconsolidation on Financial Statement Presentation

The deconsolidation of DataBank and Vantage SDC in 2023 resulted in derecognition of \$8.55 billion of assets, \$5.94 billion of liabilities and \$2.06 billion of noncontrolling interests in investment entities. Subsequent to deconsolidation, the Company's consolidated financial statements include only its equity method investment in DataBank and its consolidated funds' investment in Vantage SDC, carried at fair value, along with noncontrolling interests representing the limited partners of the consolidated funds, and changes in fair value of these awards, investments. The Company's investments in DataBank and Vantage SDC are presented in Corporate and Other, consistent with the treatment and presentation of which \$7.8 million was attributable to noncontrolling interests the Company's other consolidated funds and of its interest as general partner affiliate in other sponsored investment entities, vehicles (Note 4).

Noncontrolling Interests in Operating Company

Certain current and former employees of the Company directly or indirectly own interests in OP, presented as noncontrolling interests in the Operating Company. Noncontrolling interests in OP have the right to require OP to redeem part or all of such member's OP Units for cash based on the market value of an equivalent number of shares of class A common stock at the time of redemption, or at the Company's election as managing member of OP, through issuance of shares of class A common stock (registered or unregistered) on a one-for-one basis. At the end of each period, noncontrolling interests in OP is adjusted to reflect their ownership percentage in OP at the end of the period, through a reallocation between controlling and noncontrolling interests in OP.

Redemption of OP Units—The Company redeemed 100,220 OP Units totaling 253,084 in 2023 and 100,220 in 2022 and 501,341 OP Units in 2021 through the issuance of an equal number of shares of class A common stock on a one-for-one basis.

10. Fair Value

Recurring Fair Values

Financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value on a recurring basis include financial instruments for which the fair value option was elected, but exclude financial assets under the NAV practical expedient. Fair value is categorized into a three tier hierarchy that is prioritized based upon the level of transparency in inputs used in the

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valuation techniques.

(In thousands)	Fair Value Measurement Hierarchy			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2023				
Assets				
Investments (Note 4)				
Other equity investments	\$ 17,487	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 17,487
CLO subordinated notes	—	—	50,927	50,927
Equity investments of consolidated funds	66,297	—	416,614	482,911
Fair Value Option:				
Equity method investment	—	—	6,700	6,700
Liabilities				
Other liabilities				
InfraBridge contingent consideration	—	—	11,338	11,338
Warrants issued to Wafra	—	—	39,200	39,200
Securities of consolidated funds sold short	38,481	—	—	38,481
December 31, 2022				
Assets				
Investments (Note 4)				
Other equity investments	\$ 16,790	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 16,790
CLO subordinated notes	—	—	50,927	50,927



Equity investments of consolidated funds	139,075	—	46,770	185,845
<i>Fair Value Option:</i>				
Loans receivable	—	—	133,307	133,307
Other assets—derivative assets	—	11,793	—	11,793
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Other liabilities				
Warrants issued to Wafra	—	—	17,700	17,700
Securities of consolidated funds sold short	40,928	—	—	40,928

## Marketable

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### Equity Securities Investments of Consolidated Funds

Marketable equity securities with long positions Equity investments of \$155.9 million at December 31, 2022 and \$201.9 million at December 31, 2021, included in equity investments (Note 5), and short positions of \$40.9 million at December 31, 2022 and \$38.0 million at December 31, 2021, included in other liabilities (Note 7), consist of publicly traded consolidated funds include marketable equity securities held largely by private open-end our liquid strategy funds, sponsored valued based upon listed prices in active markets, classified as Level 1, and consolidated at December 31, 2023, equity investments in digital infrastructure portfolio companies held by the Company, single asset funds. The marketable equity securities of the consolidated funds comprise publicly listed stocks primarily in the U.S. and to a lesser extent, in Europe, and predominantly primarily in the technology, media and telecommunications sectors. These marketable With respect to other equity securities are investments at December 31, 2023, fair value of an underlying portfolio company was determined using a discounted cash flow model based upon projected net operating income of the investee with an exit capitalization rate of 5.5% and discounted at 10.4%, classified as level 3. Additionally, a recently acquired fund investment was valued based upon listed prices in active markets and its transacted price, classified as Level 1 level 2.

Prior to December 31, 2023, equity investments of consolidated funds included equity interests in pooling entities that hold a portfolio of loans, invested alongside other parallel funds within the same credit fund complex. In December 2023, following a reorganization of the Company's ownership interest within the fund structure, the consolidated credit fund was deconsolidated. Fair value of the fund's equity interests in the pooling entities was based upon its share of expected cash flows from the loan assets held by the pooling entities, classified as level 3. In estimating fair value of the underlying loans, the pooling entities considered the prevailing market yields at which a third party might expect to receive on equivalent loans with similar credit risk. Based upon a comparison to market yields, it was determined that the transacted price or par value of the loans held by the pooling entities approximated their fair value at December 31, 2022.

### Fair Value Option

#### Equity Method Investments

At December 31, 2023, the Company had one equity method investment under the fair value hierarchy.

### Debt Securities

At December 31, 2022 option. Fair value was determined using a balanced application of the discounted cash flow model based upon projected earnings, discounted at 18.3%, the CLO subordinated notes were carried at their recently issued price and comparison to market values of \$50.9 million (Note 5), which represents their current estimated similar public companies. The fair value is classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. hierarchy and changes in fair value are recorded in principal investment income.

#### Loans Receivable

At December 31, 2023, there was no outstanding loans receivable balance. At December 31, 2022, loans receivable under fair value option consisted of an unsecured promissory note in connection with the 2022 sale of the Company's Wellness Infrastructure business (Note 2). The note had bullet repayment of principal and accrued paid-in-kind ("PIK") interest. Fair value was determined using a benchmarking approach by looking to the implied credit spreads derived from observed prices on comparable CLO issuances in the fourth quarter of 2022, and also considering the current size and diversification of the CLO collateral pool and projected return on the subordinated notes.

### Equity Investment note was \$133.3 million, with unpaid principal balance, inclusive of Consolidated Fund

A consolidated fund, investing alongside other affiliated managed funds, holds an indirect investment in a portfolio PIK interest, of loans. The investment has a fair value of \$46.8 million at December 31, 2022, \$162.0 million, classified as Level 3 of in the fair value hierarchy. Fair value In March 2023, the note was determined based upon discounted cash flow projections fully written down, taking into consideration foreclosure of distributions of principal and interest expected to be collected from certain assets within the underlying loans, which include, but are not limited to, consideration of the financial standing and operating results of the borrowers, and applying a discount rate of 10.1%. Wellness Infrastructure portfolio by its mezzanine lender.

### Derivatives

The Company's derivative instruments generally consist of: (i) foreign currency put options, forward contracts and costless collars to hedge the foreign currency exposure of certain foreign-denominated investments or investments in foreign subsidiaries (in GBP and EUR), with notional amounts and termination dates based upon the anticipated return of capital from these investments; and (ii) interest rate caps and swaps to limit the exposure to changes in interest rates on various floating rate debt obligations (indexed to LIBOR SOFR or Euribor). These derivative contracts may be designated as qualifying hedge accounting relationships, specifically as net investment hedges and cash flow hedges, respectively.

Fair values were \$11.8 million (Note 16) at December 31, 2022 and \$0.9 million at December 31, 2021 for derivative assets, included in other assets. There were no derivatives in a liability position at December 31, 2022 and 2021. At December 31, 2022, all derivative positions in both periods were non-designated hedges. Derivative notional amounts aggregated to the equivalent of \$321.1 million at December 31, 2022 and \$182.3 million at December 31, 2021 for foreign exchange contracts, and \$2.0 billion at December 31, 2021 for interest rate contracts. There were no outstanding interest rate contracts at December 31, 2022.

The derivative instruments are subject to master netting arrangements with counterparties that allow the Company to offset the settlement of derivative assets and liabilities in the same currency by instrument type or, in the event of default by the counterparty, to offset all derivative assets and liabilities with the same counterparty. Notwithstanding the conditions for right of offset may have been met, the Company presents derivative assets and liabilities with the same counterparty on a gross basis on the consolidated balance sheets.

The Company had no outstanding derivatives at December 31, 2023. At December 31, 2022, fair value of derivative assets was \$11.8 million, included in other assets (Note 6), and there were no derivatives in a liability position. All derivative positions were non-designated hedges. At December 31, 2022, derivative notional amounts aggregated to the equivalent of \$321.1 million for foreign exchange contracts, with no outstanding interest rate contracts.

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Realized and unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments are were recorded in other gain (loss) on the consolidated statement of operations other than interest expense, as follows:

Year Ended December 31,		Year Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,		Year Ended December 31,	
(In thousands)	(In thousands)	2022	2021	2020	(In thousands)	2023	2022		2021
Foreign currency contracts:	Foreign currency contracts:								
Designated contracts	Designated contracts								
Realized gain transferred from AOCI to earnings		\$ 17,334	\$ 58,727	\$ 414					
Unrealized gain transferred from AOCI to earnings		—	—	1,485					
Designated contracts									
Designated contracts									
Realized gain (loss) transferred from AOCI to earnings									
Realized gain (loss) transferred from AOCI to earnings									
Realized gain (loss) transferred from AOCI to earnings									
Non-designated contracts									
Non-designated contracts									
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings (1)									
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings (1)									

Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings	Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings			
(1)	(1)	17,092	889	(2,727)
Interest rate contracts:	Interest rate contracts:			
Designated contracts	Designated contracts			
Designated contracts	Designated contracts			
Interest expense (2)	Interest expense (2)			
(2)	(2)	—	20	24
Realized loss transferred from AOCI to earnings		—	(1,328)	—
Interest expense (2)				
Interest expense (2)				
Realized gain (loss) transferred from AOCI to earnings				
Non-designated contracts	Non-designated contracts			
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings	Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings	11,533	(213)	(209)
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings				
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings				

(1) In 2022, includes unrealized gain on Includes amounts related to foreign currency contract entered into on behalf of a sponsored fund, which has had no net impact to the Company's earnings, as discussed in Note 16. (Note 16).

(2) Represents amortization of the cost of designated interest rate caps to interest expense based upon expected hedged interest payments on variable rate debt.

The Company's foreign currency and interest rate contracts are generally traded over-the-counter, and are valued using a third-party service provider. Quotations on over-the-counter derivatives are not adjusted and are generally valued using observable inputs such as contractual cash flows, yield curve, foreign currency rates and credit spreads, and are classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Although credit valuation adjustments, such as the risk of default, rely on Level 3 inputs, these inputs are not significant to the overall valuation of the derivatives. As a result, derivative valuations in their entirety are classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

## Warrants

As discussed in Note 10, 9, the Company had issued five warrants to Wafra. Wafra in July 2020. Each warrant entitles Wafra to purchase up to 1,338,000 shares of the Company's class A common stock at staggered strike prices between \$9.72 and \$24.00 each, exercisable through July 17, 2026. No warrants have been exercised to-date.

The warrants are carried at fair value effective May 2022 when they were reclassified from equity to liability, with subsequent changes in fair value recorded in earnings. At December 31, 2022, other gain (loss) on the consolidated statements of operations. The warrants classified as Level 3 fair value, were valued at \$17.7 million using a Black-Scholes option pricing model, applying the following inputs: (a) estimated volatility for DBRG's class A common stock of 40.8%; 37.8% (40.8% at December 31, 2022); (b) closing stock price

of DBRG's class A common stock on the last trading day of the quarter; (c) the strike price for each warrant; (d) remaining term to expiration of the warrants; and (e) risk free rate of 4.16% 4.11% per annum (4.16% per annum at December 31, 2022), derived from the daily U.S. Treasury yield curve rates to correspond to the remaining term to expiration of the warrants. Fair value of the warrants decreased \$63.7 million from its initial remeasurement in May 2022, recorded in other gain on the consolidated statement of operations.

Settlement Liability Contingent Consideration

In March 2020, the Company entered into a cooperation agreement with Blackwells Capital LLC ("Blackwells"), a stockholder of the Company. Pursuant to the cooperation agreement, Blackwells agreed to a standstill in its proxy contest with the Company, and to abide by certain voting commitments, including a standstill with respect to the Company until the expiration of the agreement in March 2030 and voting in favor of the Board of Directors' recommendations until the third anniversary of the agreement.

Contemporaneously, the Company and Blackwells entered into a joint venture arrangement for the purpose of acquiring, holding and disposing of the Company's class A common stock. Pursuant to the arrangement, the Company contributed its class A common stock, valued at \$14.7 million by the venture, and Blackwells contributed \$1.47 million of cash that was then distributed to the Company, resulting in a net capital contribution of \$13.23 million by the Company in the venture. All of the class A common stock held in the venture was repurchased by the Company in March 2020 (Note 9). Distributions from the joint venture arrangement upon dissolution effectively represent a settlement of the proxy contest with Blackwells. The initial fair value of the arrangement was recorded as a settlement loss on the statement of operations in March 2020, with a corresponding liability on the balance sheet, subject to remeasurement at each period end. The settlement liability represents the fair value of the disproportionate allocation of profits distribution to Blackwells pursuant to the joint venture arrangement. The profits are derived from dividend payments and appreciation in value of the Company's class A common stock, allocated between the Company and Blackwells based upon specified return hurdles.

In June 2021, Blackwells terminated the arrangement and the joint venture was dissolved. The profits distribution allocated to Blackwells was valued at \$47.0 million and paid in the form of 1.49 million shares of the Company's class A common stock, with \$22.8 million recognized in 2021 through termination as other loss on the consolidated statement of operations.

Fair Value Option

The following discussion excludes loans receivable and equity method investments held for disposition which are addressed in Note 21.

Loans Receivable

Loans receivable held for investment are carried at fair value under the fair value option. At December 31, 2022, loans held for investments, which primarily consisted of an unsecured promissory note in connection with the sale acquisition of NRF Holdco (Note 22), had fair value of \$137.9 million. Contingent consideration is payable if prescribed fundraising targets for InfraBridge's new global infrastructure funds are met. In measuring the contingent consideration, the Company applied a probability-weighted approach to the likelihood of meeting various fundraising targets and discounted the estimated future contingent consideration payment at 4.9% to derive a present value totaling \$137.9 million (unpaid principal balance, inclusive of paid-in-kind ("PIK") interest, of \$167.8 million), amount, classified as Level 3 in of the fair value hierarchy. At December 31, 2021, loans held for investments, which primarily consisted of corporate loans and bank syndicated loans then warehoused by the Company, had fair value totaling \$173.9 million (unpaid principal balance, inclusive of PIK interest, of \$173.5 million), of which \$91.0 million was classified as Level 2 and \$82.9 million as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. During 2022, all of the warehoused loans were either transferred to the Company's new sponsored fund or securitized into a third party sponsored CLO (Note 5).

Fair value of Level 3 loans held for investment were determined based upon discounted cash flow projections of principal and interest expected to be collected, which include, but are not limited to, consideration of the financial standing and operating results of the borrower, and applying discount rates ranging between 10.0% to 10.5% at December 31, 2022 and 8.9% to 10.0% at December 31, 2021. Level 2 loans held for investment at December 31, 2021 represent bank syndicated loans for which fair value was obtained from a reputable pricing service and was based upon quotations from dealers who act as market makers for these loans.

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There were no loans that were 90 days or more past due as to principal or interest at December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021. As of December 31, 2022, one loan with fair value of \$4.6 million and unpaid principal balance of \$5.8 million has been placed on nonaccrual.

Equity Method Investments

At December 31, 2022 and 2021, there were no equity method investments under the fair value option other than investments held for disposition (Note 21). One equity method investment that was under the fair value option is accounted for as a marketable equity security beginning May 2021 following a merger of the investee into a special purpose acquisition company. Changes in Level 3 Fair Value

The following table presents changes in recurring Level 3 fair value assets held for investment. Realized and unrealized gains (losses) are included in other gain (loss) for loans receivable and equity method earnings (losses) for equity method investments. .

	Fair Value Option	Equity Investment of
	Level 3 Assets	Consolidated Fund
	Level 3 Assets	
	Level 3 Assets	
	Fair Value Option	
	Fair Value Option	
	Fair Value Option	
(In thousands)		
(In thousands)		

(In thousands)	(In thousands)	AFS Debt Securities	Loans Held for Investment	Equity Method Investments	Equity Investment of Consolidated Fund
Fair value at December 31, 2020	\$	—	\$ 36,798	\$ 28,540	\$ —

Purchases, originations, drawdowns and contributions	—	61,026	—	—
Paydowns, distributions and sales	—	(16,470)	(9,174)	—
Change in accounting method for equity interest	—	—	(27,626)	—
Change in accrued interest and capitalization of paid-in-kind interest	—	1,761	—	—
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net	—	(185)	8,260	—
<b>Fair value at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>Fair value at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 82,930</b>	<b>\$ —</b>
Net unrealized loss in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2021	\$ —	\$ (1,114)	\$ —	\$ —
<b>Fair value at December 31, 2021</b>				
<b>Fair value at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>Fair value at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 82,930</b>	<b>\$ —</b>
Purchases, originations, drawdowns and contributions	Purchases, originations, drawdowns and contributions	50,927	371,415	35,566
Paydowns, distributions and sales		—	(159,501)	—
Purchases, originations, drawdowns and contributions				
Purchases, originations, drawdowns and contributions				
Transfer out of equity to liability				
Transfer out of equity to liability				
Transfer out of equity to liability				
Change in accrued interest and capitalization of paid-in-kind interest				
Change in accrued interest and capitalization of paid-in-kind interest				
Change in accrued interest and capitalization of paid-in-kind interest				
Paydowns				
Paydowns				
Paydowns				
Transfer of warehoused loans to sponsored fund				
Transfer of warehoused loans to sponsored fund				
Transfer of warehoused loans to sponsored fund	—	(123,312)	—	—
Consolidation of sponsored fund	Consolidation of sponsored fund	—	—	10,536
Change in accrued interest and capitalization of paid-in-kind interest	—	5,814	—	—
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net	—	(39,401)	—	668
Consolidation of sponsored fund				
Consolidation of sponsored fund				
Unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net				
Unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net				

Unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net					
Fair value at December 31, 2022					
Fair value at December 31, 2022					
Fair value at December 31, 2022	Fair value at December 31, 2022	\$ 50,927	\$ 137,945	\$ —	\$ 46,770
Net unrealized gain (loss) in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2022	Net unrealized gain (loss) in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2022	\$ —	\$ (29,311)	\$ —	\$ 668
Net unrealized gain (loss) in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2022					
Net unrealized gain (loss) in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2022					
Fair value at December 31, 2022					
Fair value at December 31, 2022					
Fair value at December 31, 2022					
Contributions					
Contributions					
Contributions					
Consolidation of sponsored funds					
Consolidation of sponsored funds					
Consolidation of sponsored funds					
Business combination					
Business combination					
Business combination					
Change in consolidated fund's share of equity investment (1)					
Change in consolidated fund's share of equity investment (1)					
Change in consolidated fund's share of equity investment (1)					
Paydown of underlying loans held by equity investment of consolidated fund					
Paydown of underlying loans held by equity investment of consolidated fund					
Paydown of underlying loans held by equity investment of consolidated fund					
Unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net					
Unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net					
Unrealized gain (loss) in earnings, net					
Deconsolidation of sponsored fund					
Deconsolidation of sponsored fund					
Deconsolidation of sponsored fund					
Fair value at December 31, 2023					
Fair value at December 31, 2023					
Fair value at December 31, 2023					
Net unrealized gain (loss) in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2023					
Net unrealized gain (loss) in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2023					
Net unrealized gain (loss) in earnings on instruments held at December 31, 2023					

(a) Represents reallocation of investment value when relative ownership of the pooling entity across its fund owners change following additional capital contributions.

#### Investment Carried at Fair Value Using Net Asset Value

The Company has holds an investment in a non-traded healthcare REIT of \$34.5 million at December 31, 2022 and \$44.6 million at December 31, 2021, with no commitment for any further investment in the future. The investment is valued based upon actual or estimated NAV beginning October 2021 when the investee, a healthcare real estate investor/manager, was acquired in conjunction with a merger of its co-sponsored non-traded REITs. The transaction diluted the Company's equity interest in the investee, which was previously accounted for as an equity method investment. Redemption of the Company's partnership interest in REIT. In early February 2024, the non-traded healthcare REIT listed its shares on the NYSE through an initial public offering. Pursuant to a 180 day lock-up by the underwriters from the date of listing, the Company is restricted from liquidating its holdings in these securities until the earliest of (1) the second anniversary expiration of the issuance to the Company of such partnership units, (2) change lock-up period in control of the general partner, August 2024. The investment was carried at \$14.7 million at December 31, 2023 using its IPO price as an indicative value and (3) initial public offering of the equity of the non-traded healthcare REIT, which may be subject to further restriction on redemption by the underwriters, at \$34.5 million at December 31, 2022 based upon its estimated NAV.

#### Nonrecurring Fair Values

The Company measures fair value of certain assets on a nonrecurring basis basis: (i) on the acquisition date for business combinations; (ii) when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the assets may not be recoverable, recoverable; and (iii) upon deconsolidation of a subsidiary for any retained interest. Adjustments to fair value generally result from the an application of the lower of amortized cost or fair value accounting for assets held for disposition or otherwise, a write-down of asset values due to impairment. Impairment is discussed in Note 5 for equity investments

There were no assets carried at nonrecurring fair value at December 31, 2023 and Note 21 for assets held for disposition, December 31, 2022.

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#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments Reported at Cost

Fair value of financial instruments reported at amortized cost excluding those held for disposition, are presented below.

	Fair Value Measurements					
(In thousands)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Carrying Value	
<u>December 31, 2022</u>						
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Debt at amortized cost						
Secured fund fee revenue notes	\$ —	\$ 250,547	\$ —	\$ 250,547	\$ 292,171	
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes	304,513	—	—	304,513	276,741	
Investment-level secured debt	—	3,268,508	944,984	4,213,492	4,587,228	
<u>December 31, 2021</u>						
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Debt at amortized cost						
Secured fund fee revenue notes	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 291,394	\$ 291,394	\$ 291,394	
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes	716,970	—	—	716,970	334,264	
Investment-level secured debt	—	3,598,655	655,270	4,253,925	4,234,744	

	Fair Value Measurements					
(In thousands)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Carrying Value	
<u>December 31, 2023</u>						
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Corporate debt						
Secured fund fee revenue notes	\$ —	\$ 250,547	\$ —	\$ 250,547	\$ 294,267	
Exchangeable senior notes	—	152,296	—	152,296	77,516	
<u>December 31, 2022</u>						
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Corporate debt						
Secured fund fee revenue notes	\$ —	\$ 250,547	\$ —	\$ 250,547	\$ 292,171	
Convertible and exchangeable senior notes		304,513	—	304,513	276,741	
Non-recourse investment-level debt	—	—	465	465	465	



*Debt*—Senior notes and secured fund fee revenue notes were valued using their last traded price. Fair At December 31, 2022, carrying value of investment-level debt were estimated by either discounting expected future cash outlays at interest rates available approximated fair value due to the respective borrower subsidiaries for similar instruments or for securitized debt, based upon indicative bond prices quoted by brokers in short term nature of the secondary market. amount drawn from a line of credit of a consolidated fund.

*Other*—The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, due from and to affiliates, interest payable and accounts payable generally approximate fair value due to their short term nature, and credit risk, if any, is negligible.

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## 11. Earnings per Share

The following table presents the basic and diluted earnings per common share computations.

(In thousands, except per share data)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
<b>Net income (loss) allocated to common stockholders</b>			
Income (Loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	\$ 241,279	\$ (129,578)	\$ (80,312)
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	(55,999)	(192,219)	(229,785)
Net income (loss) attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	185,280	(321,797)	(310,097)
Preferred stock repurchases/redemptions (Note 8)	927	1,098	(4,992)
Preferred dividends	(58,656)	(61,567)	(70,627)
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders</b>	<b>127,551</b>	<b>(382,266)</b>	<b>(385,716)</b>
Net income (loss) allocated to participating securities	(2,179)	(34)	—
Net income (loss) allocated to common stockholders—basic	125,372	(382,300)	(385,716)
Interest expense attributable to convertible and exchangeable notes <sup>(1)</sup>	5,050	—	—
Net income (loss) allocated to common stockholders—diluted	\$ 130,422	\$ (382,300)	\$ (385,716)
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding</b>			
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding—basic	159,868	154,495	122,864
Weighted average effect of dilutive shares <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup>	9,852	—	—
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding—diluted	169,720	154,495	122,864
<b>Income (loss) per share—basic</b>			
Income (Loss) from continuing operations	\$ 1.13	\$ (1.23)	\$ (1.27)
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations	(0.35)	(1.24)	(1.87)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders per common share—basic	\$ 0.78	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)
<b>Income (loss) per share—diluted</b>			
Income (Loss) from continuing operations	\$ 1.10	\$ (1.23)	\$ (1.27)
Income (Loss) from discontinued operations	(0.33)	(1.24)	(1.87)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders per common share—diluted	\$ 0.77	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)

<sup>(1)</sup> With respect to the assumed conversion or exchange of the Company's outstanding senior notes, the following are excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share as their inclusion would be antidilutive: (a) for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the effect of adding back interest expense of \$3.1 million, \$16.6 million and \$54.7 million, respectively, and 912,900, 12,901,700 and 33,849,100 of weighted average dilutive common share equivalents. Also excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share was \$133.2 million of debt extinguishment loss (Note 7) for the year ended December 31, 2022.

<sup>(2)</sup> The calculation of diluted earnings per share excludes the effect of the following as their inclusion would be antidilutive: (a) class A common shares that are contingently issuable in relation to performance stock units (Note 13) with weighted average shares of 1,298,900 and 2,712,700 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021; and (b) class A common shares that are issuable to net settle the exercise of warrants (Note 9) with weighted average shares of 667,400, 1,742,800 and 2,659,400 for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

<sup>(3)</sup> OP Units may be redeemed for registered or unregistered class A common stock on a one-for-one basis and are not dilutive. At December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, 12,375,800, 12,628,900 and 12,613,800 of OP Units, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share in the respective periods presented.

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## 12. Fee Revenue

The following table presents the Company's fee revenue by type.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Management fees	\$ 258,288	\$ 169,922	\$ 168,618
Incentive fees	3,229	—	7,174
Other fees	2,600	2,751	5,034
Total fee revenue	\$ 264,117	\$ 172,673	\$ 180,826

**Management Fees**—Management fees for equity funds are calculated at contractual rates between 0.64% per annum to 1.60% per annum of investors' committed capital during the commitment period, and thereafter, contributed or invested capital (subject to certain reductions for NAV write-downs); at contractual rates between 0.25% per annum and 1.10% per annum of invested capital from inception for Credit and co-investment vehicles; and at contractual rates between 0.30% per annum and 1.25% per annum based upon NAV for vehicles in the Liquid Strategies and gross asset value for certain Infrabridge co-investment vehicles. Also, certain co-investment vehicles charge a one-time fee upfront at contractual rates between 0.15% and 2.00% of committed capital, generally to be paid in tranches, but with recognition of fee revenue over the life of the vehicle.

**Incentive Fees**—The Company is entitled to incentive fees from sub-advisory accounts in its liquid securities strategy. Incentive fees are determined based upon the performance of the respective accounts, subject to the achievement of specified return thresholds in accordance with the terms set out in their respective governing agreements. A portion of incentive fees earned by the Company is allocable to certain employees and former employees, included in carried interest and incentive fee compensation expense.

**Other Fee Revenue**—Other fees include primarily service fees for information technology, facilities and operational support provided to certain portfolio companies, and on a non-recurring basis, loan origination fees from co-investors.

#### Revenue Concentration

For the year ended December 31, 2023, revenues from three funds, including fee revenue, principal investment income and carried interest allocation, accounted for approximately 24%, 20%, and 15% of the Company's total revenues.

### 13. Equity-Based Compensation

The DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan") provides for the grant of restricted stock, performance stock units ("PSUs"), Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP") units, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), deferred stock units ("DSUs"), options, warrants or rights to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, cash incentives and other equity-based awards to the Company's officers, directors (including non-employee directors), employees, co-employees, consultants or advisors of the Company or of any parent or subsidiary who provides services to the Company, but excluding employees of portfolio companies. Shares reserved for the issuance of awards under the Equity Incentive Plan are subject to equitable adjustment upon the occurrence of certain corporate events, provided that this number automatically increases each January 1st by 2% of the outstanding number of shares of the Company's class A common stock on the immediately preceding December 31st. At December 31, 2023, an aggregate 24.5 million shares of the Company's class A common stock were reserved for the issuance of awards under the Equity Incentive Plan.

**Restricted Stock**—Restricted stock awards in the Company's class A common stock are granted to senior executives, directors and certain employees, generally subject to a service condition only, with annual time-based vesting in equal tranches over a three-year period. Restricted stock is entitled to dividends declared and paid on the Company's class A common stock and such dividends are not forfeitable prior to vesting of the award. Restricted stock awards are valued based on the Company's class A common stock price on grant date and equity-based compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period.

**Restricted Stock Units**—RSUs in the Company's class A common stock are subject to a performance condition. Vesting of performance-based RSUs occur upon achievement of certain Company-specific metrics over a performance measurement period that coincides with the recipients' term of service. Only vested RSUs are entitled to accrued dividends declared and paid on the Company's class A common stock during the time period the RSUs are outstanding. RSUs are initially valued based upon the Company's class A common stock price on grant date and not subsequently remeasured for equity-classified awards, while liability-classified awards are remeasured at fair value at the end of each reporting period until the award is fully vested. Equity-based compensation expense is recognized over the vesting period when it becomes probable that the performance condition will be met. A liability classified award that met its performance

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condition and became fully vested over the course of 2023 was settled in cash totaling \$3.3 million. There was no cash settlement of awards in 2022 or 2021.

**Performance Stock Units**—PSUs are granted to senior executives and certain employees, and are subject to both a service condition and a market condition. Following the end of the measurement period, the recipients of PSUs who remain employed will vest in, and be issued a number of shares of the Company's class A common stock, generally ranging from 0% to 200% of the number of PSUs granted and determined based upon the performance of the Company's class A common stock relative to that of a specified peer group over a three-year measurement period (such measurement metric the "total shareholder return"). In addition, recipients of PSUs whose employment is terminated after the first anniversary of their PSU grant are eligible to vest in a portion of the PSU award following the end of the measurement period based upon achievement of the total shareholder return metric applicable to the award. PSUs also contain dividend equivalent rights which entitle the recipients to a payment equal to the amount of dividends that would have been paid on the shares that are ultimately issued at the end of the measurement period.

Fair value of PSUs, including dividend equivalent rights, was determined using a Monte Carlo simulation under a risk-neutral premise, with the following assumptions:

	2023 PSU Grants	2022 PSU Grants	2021 PSU Grants
Expected volatility of the Company's class A common stock <sup>(1)</sup>	41.3%	32.4%	35.4%
Expected annual dividend yield <sup>(2)</sup>	0.3%	—%	—%
Risk-free rate (per annum) <sup>(3)</sup>	3.8%	2.0%	0.3%

(1) Based upon the historical volatility of the Company's stock and those of a specified peer group.

(2) Based upon the Company's expected annualized dividends. Expected dividend yield was zero for the March 2022 and 2021 PSU awards as common dividends were suspended beginning the second quarter of 2020 and reinstated in the third quarter of 2022.

(3) Based upon the continuously compounded zero-coupon U.S. Treasury yield for the term coinciding with the measurement period of the award as of valuation date.

Fair value of PSU awards, excluding dividend equivalent rights, is recognized on a straight-line basis over their measurement period as compensation expense, and is not subject to reversal even if the market condition is not achieved. The dividend equivalent right is accounted for as a liability-classified award. The fair value of the dividend equivalent right is recognized as compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the measurement period, and is subject to adjustment to fair value at each reporting period.

**LTIP Units**—LTIP units are units in the Operating Company that are designated as profits interests for federal income tax purposes. Unvested LTIP units that are subject to market conditions do not accrue distributions. Each vested LTIP unit is convertible, at the election of the holder (subject to capital account limitation), into one common OP Unit and upon conversion, subject to the redemption terms of OP Units (Note 8).

LTIP units issued have either (1) a service condition only, valued based upon the Company's class A common stock price on grant date; or (2) both a service condition and a market condition based upon the Company's class A common stock achieving a target price over a predetermined measurement period, subject to continuous employment to the time of vesting, and valued using a Monte Carlo simulation.

The following assumptions were applied in the Monte Carlo model under a risk-neutral premise:

	2022 LTIP Grant	2019 LTIP Grant (1)
Expected volatility of the Company's class A common stock (2)	34.0%	28.3%
Expected dividend yield (3)	0.0%	8.1%
Risk-free rate (per annum) (4)	3.6%	1.8%

(1) Represents 2.5 million LTIP units granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Marc Ganzli, in connection with the Company's acquisition of Digital Bridge Holdings, LLC in July 2019, with vesting based upon the Company's class A common stock price closing at or above \$40 over any 90 consecutive trading days prior to the fifth anniversary of the grant date.

(2) Based upon historical volatility of the Company's stock and those of a specified peer group.

(3) Based upon the Company's most recently issued dividend prior to grant date and closing price of the Company's class A common stock on grant date. Expected dividend yield was zero for the June 2022 award as common dividends were suspended beginning the second quarter of 2020 and reinstated in the third quarter of 2022.

(4) Based upon the continuously compounded zero-coupon US Treasury yield for the term coinciding with the measurement period of the award as of valuation date.

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Equity-based compensation cost on LTIP units is recognized on a straight-line basis either over (1) the service period for awards with a service condition only; or (2) the derived service period for awards with both a service condition and a market condition, irrespective of whether the market condition is satisfied. The derived service period is a service period that is inferred from the application of the simulation technique used in the valuation of the award, and represents the median of the terms in the simulation in which the market condition is satisfied.

**Deferred Stock Units**—Certain non-employee directors may elect to defer the receipt of annual base fees and/or restricted stock awards, and in lieu, receive awards of DSUs. DSUs awarded in lieu of annual base fees are fully vested on their grant date, while DSUs awarded in lieu of restricted stock awards vest one year from their grant date. DSUs are entitled to a dividend equivalent, in the form of additional DSUs based on dividends declared and paid on the Company's class A common stock, subject to the same restrictions and vesting conditions, where applicable. Upon separation of service from the Company, vested DSUs will be settled in shares of the Company's class A common stock. Fair value of DSUs are determined based upon the price of the Company's class A common stock on grant date and recognized immediately if fully vested upon grant, or on a straight-line basis over the vesting period as equity based compensation expense and equity.

Equity-based compensation cost pursuant to DBRG's Equity Incentive Plan is presented on the consolidated statement of operations, as follows.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Compensation expense (including \$0, \$(410) and \$1,194 expense related to dividend equivalent rights)	\$ 55,597	\$ 31,281	\$ 35,428
Administrative expense	228	1,422	222
	<u>\$ 55,825</u>	<u>\$ 32,703</u>	<u>\$ 35,650</u>

Changes in unvested equity awards pursuant to DBRG's Equity Incentive Plan are summarized below.

	Restricted Stock	LTIP Units (1)	DSUs	RSUs (2)	PSUs (3)	Total	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	
							PSUs	All Other Awards
Unvested shares and units at December 31, 2022	1,706,674	2,625,000	20,058	2,397,391	1,889,587	8,638,710	\$ 16.28	\$ 10.84
Granted	2,468,842	—	70,887	—	413,172	2,952,901	11.98	12.24
Vested	(1,308,856)	—	(26,846)	(1,798,044)	(603,525)	(3,737,271)	7.88	13.95
Forfeited	(53,291)	—	—	—	(424,799)	(478,090)	7.92	13.83

Unvested shares and units at December 31, 2023	2,813,369	2,625,000	64,099	599,347	1,274,435	7,376,250	21.66	9.80
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- (1) Represents the number of LTIP units granted subject to vesting upon achievement of market condition. LTIP units that do not meet the market condition within the measurement period will be forfeited.
- (2) Represents the number of RSUs granted subject to vesting upon achievement of performance condition. RSUs that do not meet the performance condition at the end of the measurement period will be forfeited.
- (3) Number of PSUs granted does not reflect potential increases or decreases that could result from the final outcome of the total shareholder return measured at the end of the performance period. PSUs for which the total shareholder return was not met at the end of the performance period are forfeited.

Fair value of equity awards that vested, determined based upon their respective fair values at vesting date, totaled \$50.3 million in 2023, \$53.9 million in 2022 and \$68.3 million in 2021.

At December 31, 2023, aggregate unrecognized compensation cost for all unvested equity awards pursuant to DBRG's Equity Incentive Plan was \$36.0 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.8 years. This excludes \$6.3 million of unvested RSUs that are not currently probable of achieving their performance condition and have a remaining performance measurement period of approximately four months.

#### 14. Income Taxes

##### Transition to Taxable C Corporation

In 2022, the Company's Board of Directors and management agreed to discontinue actions necessary to maintain qualification as a REIT. Commencing with the taxable year ended December 31, 2022, all of the Company's taxable income, except for income generated by subsidiaries that have elected REIT status, is subject to U.S. federal and state income tax at the applicable corporate tax rate.

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The Company's transition to a taxable C Corporation in 2022, in and of itself, did not result in significant incremental current income tax expense due to the availability of significant capital loss and net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards. The Company's primary source of income subject to tax remains its investment management business, which was already subject to tax through its previously designated taxable REIT subsidiaries.

##### Income Tax Benefit (Expense)

The components of current and deferred tax benefit (expense) are as follows.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
<b>Current</b>			
Federal	\$ 167	\$ 3,986	\$ 3,369
State and local	1,058	(786)	(19)
Foreign	(1,252)	(1,163)	—
Total current tax benefit (expense)	(27)	2,037	3,350
<b>Deferred</b>			
Federal	(1,004)	(13,850)	15,615
State and local	124	(2,419)	2,498
Foreign	901	1,100	—
Total deferred tax benefit (expense)	21	(15,169)	18,113
<b>Income tax benefit (expense) on continuing operations</b>	<b>\$ (6)</b>	<b>\$ (13,132)</b>	<b>\$ 21,463</b>

The Company has no income tax benefits recognized for uncertain tax positions.

##### Deferred Income Tax Asset and Liability

Deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability are presented within other assets, and other liabilities, respectively.

The components of deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability are as follows.

(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
<b>Deferred tax asset</b>		
Capital losses (1)	\$ 366,083	\$ 252,904
Net operating losses (2)	146,537	92,224
Investment in partnerships	131,828	317,048
Equity-based compensation	15,104	11,856
Intangible assets	5,013	5,959
Deferred income	2,576	2,086

Deferred interest expense	6,050	5,556
Lease liability—corporate offices	12,507	9,341
Lease liability—investment properties	—	6,789
Other	4,487	5,847
Gross deferred tax asset	690,185	709,610
Valuation allowance	(664,397)	(679,057)
Deferred tax asset, net of valuation allowance	25,788	30,553
<b>Deferred tax liability</b>		
Intangible assets	23,382	13,725
ROU lease asset—corporate offices	8,527	5,350
ROU lease asset—investment properties	—	6,026
Other	1,909	3,408
Gross deferred tax liability	33,818	28,509
<b>Net deferred tax asset (liability)</b>	<b>\$ (8,030)</b>	<b>\$ 2,044</b>

(1) At December 31, 2023, deferred tax asset was recognized on capital losses of \$1.38 billion, which expire between 2024 and 2028, with full valuation allowance established.

(2) At December 31, 2023 and 2022, deferred tax asset was recognized on NOL of \$589.7 million and \$378.7 million, respectively, for which full valuation allowance was established in both years. NOL, which is largely attributable to U.S. federal losses incurred after December 31, 2017, can be carried forward indefinitely.

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### [Valuation Allowance](#)

Changes in the deferred tax asset valuation allowance are presented below:

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Beginning balance	\$ 679,057	\$ 12,766	\$ 1,852
Addition	19,483	666,291	33,756
Utilization and/or reversal	(34,143)	—	(22,842)
Ending balance	664,397	\$ 679,057	\$ 12,766

### [Deferred Income Taxes](#)

In 2022, significant deferred tax assets were recognized with an offsetting valuation allowance. As a result of the Company's transition to a taxable C Corporation, \$400.2 million of deferred tax asset was recognized as of January 1, 2022 related principally to capital loss carryforwards and outside basis difference in DBRG's interest in the OP, and \$134.2 million was recorded during the year related to changes in DBRG's interest in the OP that were treated as equity transactions. Outside basis difference in investment in partnerships along with NOL generated by a subsidiary during the year further contributed to the deferred tax asset balance in 2022. At December 31, 2022, it was determined that the realizability of these deferred tax assets did not meet the more-likely-than-not threshold, and consequently, a full valuation allowance was established against these deferred tax assets. In assessing realizability, the Company determined that there were no prudent and feasible tax planning strategies that the Company could employ to reasonably assure the future realizability of its carryforward losses and other deferred tax assets. In the absence of tax planning strategies and given the Company's history of cumulative operating losses, which was largely a product of the recent transition in the Company's business, it was difficult to overcome the resulting uncertainties over the Company's ability to generate future taxable income to realize these deferred tax assets.

As of December 31, 2023, a full valuation allowance has been maintained as the more-likely-than-not threshold continues to not be met in assessing realizability of deferred tax assets. As a result, income tax expense in 2023 generally reflects the income tax effect of foreign subsidiaries.

In future periods, if the realizability of all or some portion of these deferred tax assets becomes more likely than not, the associated valuation allowance would be reversed as a deferred tax benefit.

### [Foreign Subsidiary Earnings](#)

The Company has evaluated all unremitted earnings of its foreign subsidiaries, which may be repatriated at the Company's election, and has not recorded any deferred tax liability as no material taxes are expected to be due if and when these amounts are repatriated.

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### [Effective Income Tax](#)

Income tax benefit (expense) attributable to continuing operations varied from the amount computed by applying the statutory income tax rate to loss from continuing operations before income taxes. The following table presents a reconciliation of the statutory U.S. income tax to the Company's effective income tax attributable to continuing operations:

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Income (Loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	\$ 365,629	\$ (46,681)	\$ (55,999)
Income (Loss) from continuing operations before income taxes attributable to pass-through subsidiaries	NA	NA	(5,905)
Income (Loss) from continuing operations before income taxes attributable to taxable subsidiaries	365,629	(46,681)	(61,904)
Federal income tax benefit (expense) at statutory tax rate (21%)	(76,782)	9,802	13,000
State and local income taxes, net of federal income tax benefit	(21,970)	5,559	1,930
Foreign income tax differential	36	782	—
Effect of change in income tax rate	34,684	—	—
Noncontrolling interests	(27,699)	(44,014)	—
Separately taxable subsidiaries of OP	15,213	21,226	—
Change in ownership of OP, including equity reallocation (Note 2)	—	(2,838)	—
Equity-based compensation	682	1,971	1,814
Valuation allowance <sup>(1)</sup>	76,087	(784)	1,852
Other, net	(257)	(4,836)	2,867
Income tax benefit (expense) on continuing operations	\$ (6)	\$ (13,132)	\$ 21,463

<sup>(1)</sup> 2022 excludes changes in valuation allowance related to the Company's transition to taxable C Corporation as of January 1, 2022, outside basis difference in changes in DBRG's interest in the OP that were treated as equity transactions, and other activities associated with discontinued operations.

#### Tax Examinations

The Company is no longer subject to new income tax examinations by U.S. tax authorities for years prior to 2019.

#### 15. Variable Interest Entities

A VIE is an entity that lacks sufficient equity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties, or whose equity holders lack the characteristics of a controlling financial interest. The following discusses the Company's involvement with VIEs where the Company is the primary beneficiary and consolidates the VIEs or where the Company is not the primary beneficiary and does not consolidate the VIEs.

##### Operating Subsidiary

The Company's operating subsidiary, OP, is a limited liability company that has governing provisions that are the functional equivalent of a limited partnership. The Company holds the majority of membership interest in OP, acts as the managing member of OP and exercises full responsibility, discretion and control over the day-to-day management of OP. The noncontrolling interests in OP do not have substantive liquidation rights, substantive kick-out rights without cause, or substantive participating rights that could be exercised by a simple majority of noncontrolling interest members (including by such a member unilaterally). The absence of such rights, which represent voting rights in a limited partnership equivalent structure, would render OP to be a VIE. The Company, as managing member, has the power to direct the core activities of OP that most significantly affect OP's performance, and through its majority interest in OP, has both the right to receive benefits from and the obligation to absorb losses of OP. Accordingly, the Company is the primary beneficiary of OP and consolidates OP. As the Company conducts its business and holds its assets and liabilities through OP, the total assets and liabilities, earnings (losses), and cash flows of OP represent substantially all of the total consolidated assets and liabilities, earnings (losses), and cash flows of the Company.

##### Company-Sponsored Private Funds

The Company sponsors private funds and other investment vehicles as general partner for the purpose of providing investment management services in exchange for management fees and carried interest. These private funds are established as limited partnerships or equivalent structures. Limited partners of the private funds do not have either substantive liquidation rights, or substantive kick-out rights without cause, or substantive participating rights that could be exercised by a simple majority of limited partners or by a single limited partner. Accordingly, the absence of such rights, which represent voting rights in a

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limited partnership, results in the private funds being considered VIEs. The nature of the Company's involvement with its sponsored funds comprise fee arrangements and equity interests in its capacity as general partner and limited general partner

equity interests, affiliate. The fee arrangements are commensurate with the level of management services provided by the Company, and contain terms and conditions that are customary to similar at-market fee arrangements.

**Consolidated Company-Sponsored Private Funds**—The Company currently consolidates sponsored private funds in which it has more than an insignificant equity interest in the fund as general partner. As a result, the Company is considered to be acting in the capacity of a principal of the sponsored private fund and is therefore the primary beneficiary of the fund. The Company's exposure is limited to the value of its outstanding investment capital account balance in the consolidated private funds of \$200.8 million at December 31, 2023 and \$94.7 million at December 31, 2022 and \$53.1 million at December 31, 2021. The liabilities of the consolidated funds may only be settled using assets of the consolidated funds, and the Company, as general partner, is not obligated to provide any financial support to the consolidated private funds. At December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021 December 31, 2023, the Company did not have any unfunded equity commitments to consolidated private funds had total funds.

The following table presents the assets of \$274.2 million and \$230.6 million, respectively, and total liabilities of \$79.6 million and \$63.0 million, respectively, made up primarily of cash, marketable equity securities, unsettled trades, and other equity investment. the consolidated funds:

(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 69,654	\$ 86,433
Investments (Note 4)	482,911	185,845
Other assets	576	1,895
	<u>\$ 553,141</u>	<u>\$ 274,173</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Debt	\$ —	\$ 465
Other liabilities		
Securities sold short	38,482	40,928
Due to custodian	9,415	35,457
Other	16,313	2,734
	<u>\$ 64,210</u>	<u>\$ 79,584</u>

**Unconsolidated Company-Sponsored Private Funds**—The Company does not consolidate its sponsored private funds where it has insignificant direct equity interests or capital commitments to in these funds as general partner. The Company may invest alongside certain of its sponsored private funds through joint ventures between the Company and these funds, or the Company may have capital commitments to its sponsored private funds that are satisfied directly through the co-investment joint ventures as an affiliate of the general partner. In these instances, the co-investment joint ventures are consolidated by the Company. As the Company's direct equity such interests in its sponsored private funds as general partner absorb insignificant variability from the fund, the Company is considered to be acting in the capacity of an agent of these funds the fund and is therefore not the primary beneficiary of these funds. The Company accounts for its equity interests in unconsolidated sponsored private funds under the equity method. The Company's maximum exposure to loss is limited to the carrying value outstanding balance of its investment in the unconsolidated sponsored private funds totaling \$748.4 million (Note 4) of \$1.86 billion at December 31, 2023 and \$752.3 million at December 31, 2022 and \$382.7 million at December 31, 2021, included in equity investments, and \$1.0 million at December 31, 2022 and \$45.4 million at December 31, 2021, included within assets held for disposition.

### Securitizations

The Company previously securitized loans receivable and CRE debt securities using VIEs. Upon securitization, the Company had retained beneficial interests in the securitization vehicles, usually in the form of equity tranches or subordinate securities. The securitization vehicles were structured as pass-through entities that receive principal and interest on the underlying loans or debt securities and distribute those payments to the holders of the notes, certificates or bonds issued by the securitization vehicles. The loans and debt securities were transferred into securitization vehicles such that these assets were restricted and legally isolated from the creditors of the Company, and therefore were not available to satisfy the Company's obligations but only the obligations of the securitization vehicles. The obligations of the securitization vehicles did not have any recourse to the general credit of the Company and its other subsidiaries.

The Company also acquired securities issued by securitization trusts that are VIEs.

**Unconsolidated Securitizations**—The Company does not consolidate has receivables from its unconsolidated funds for fee revenue and reimbursable or recoverable costs, as discussed in Note 16. At December 31, 2023, the assets and liabilities of CLOs or collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") in which the Company has an interest but does not retain the collateral management function. The Company's exposure to loss is limited Company's unfunded equity commitments to its investment in unconsolidated funds as general partner and general partner affiliate totaled \$260.4 million. Generally, the timing for funding of these CLOs of \$50.9 million commitments is not known and the commitments are callable on demand at December 31, 2022, or CDOs of \$30.2 million at December 31, 2021, previously presented as debt securities within assets held for disposition any time prior to disposition of the CDOs in February 2022 (Note 21).

### Trusts

Prior to the sale of NRF Holdco in February 2022, wholly-owned subsidiaries of NRF Holdco that were formed as statutory trusts, NorthStar Realty Finance Trust I through VIII (the "Trusts"), previously issued trust preferred securities ("TruPS") in private placement offerings and used the proceeds to purchase junior subordinated notes to evidence loans made to NRF Holdco. The sole assets of the Trusts consisted of a like amount of junior subordinated notes issued by the Issuer at the time of the offerings (the "Junior Notes"). Neither the Company nor the OP was an obligor or guarantor on the Junior Notes or the TruPS.

The Company had owned all of the common stock of the Trusts but did not consolidate the Trusts as the holders of the preferred securities issued by the Trusts were the primary beneficiaries of the Trusts. The Company had accounted for its interest in the Trusts under the equity method and its maximum exposure to loss was limited to its investment carrying value of \$3.7 million at December 31, 2021. The Trusts were recorded as equity investments and the junior subordinated notes as debt, both previously classified as held for disposition (Note 21).



### 13. Earnings per Share

The following table provides the basic and diluted earnings per common share computations.

(In thousands, except per share data)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
<b>Net income (loss) allocated to common stockholders</b>			
Loss from continuing operations	\$ (421,293)	\$ (216,823)	\$ (591,088)
Loss from continuing operations attributable to noncontrolling interests	209,589	144,184	155,340
Loss from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	(211,704)	(72,639)	(435,748)
Loss from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	(110,093)	(237,458)	(2,240,011)
Preferred stock repurchases/redemptions (Note 9)	1,098	(4,992)	—
Preferred dividends	(61,567)	(70,627)	(75,023)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	(382,266)	(385,716)	(2,750,782)
Net income allocated to participating securities	(34)	—	(1,250)
Net loss allocated to common stockholders—basic	(382,300)	(385,716)	(2,752,032)
Interest expense attributable to convertible and exchangeable notes <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	—
Net loss allocated to common stockholders—diluted	\$ (382,300)	\$ (385,716)	\$ (2,752,032)
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding</b>			
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding—basic	154,495	122,864	118,389
Weighted average effect of dilutive shares <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup>	—	—	—
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding—diluted	154,495	122,864	118,389
<b>Income (loss) per share—basic</b>			
Loss from continuing operations	\$ (1.76)	\$ (1.21)	\$ (4.33)
Loss from discontinued operations	(0.71)	(1.93)	(18.92)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders per common share—basic	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)	\$ (23.25)
<b>Income (loss) per share—diluted</b>			
Loss from continuing operations	\$ (1.76)	\$ (1.21)	\$ (4.33)
Loss from discontinued operations	(0.71)	(1.93)	(18.92)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders per common share—diluted	\$ (2.47)	\$ (3.14)	\$ (23.25)

- <sup>(1)</sup> With respect to the assumed conversion or exchange of the Company's outstanding senior notes, the following are excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share as their inclusion would be antidilutive: (a) for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, the effect of adding back interest expense of \$16.6 million, \$54.7 million and \$29.9 million, respectively, and 12,901,700, 33,849,100 and 21,869,600 of weighted average dilutive common share equivalents, respectively. Also excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share was \$133.2 million of debt extinguishment loss (Note 8) for the year ended December 31, 2022.
- <sup>(2)</sup> The calculation of diluted earnings per share excludes the effect of the following as their inclusion would be antidilutive: (a) class A common shares that are contingently issuable in relation to performance stock units (Note 15) with weighted average shares of 1,298,900, 2,712,700 and 1,444,200 for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, respectively; and (b) class A common shares that are issuable to net settle the exercise of warrants (Note 10) with weighted average shares of 1,742,800, 2,659,400 and 215,500 for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, respectively.
- <sup>(3)</sup> OP Units may be redeemed for registered or unregistered class A common stock on a one-for-one basis and are not dilutive. At December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, 12,628,900, 12,613,800 and 12,769,200 of OP Units, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share in the respective periods presented.

### 14. Fee Income

The following table presents the Company's fee income by type, excluding amounts classified as discontinued operations (Note 22).

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
Management fees	\$ 169,922	\$ 168,618	\$ 78,421
Incentive fees	—	7,174	35
Other fees	2,751	5,034	4,899
Total fee income	\$ 172,673	\$ 180,826	\$ 83,355

**Management Fees**—The Company earns management fees for providing investment management services to its sponsored private funds and other investment vehicles, portfolio companies and managed accounts. Management fees are calculated generally at contractual rates ranging from 0.2% per annum to 1.5% per annum of investors' committed capital during the commitment period of the vehicle, and thereafter, contributed or invested capital; or net asset value for vehicles in the Liquid Strategies.

**Incentive Fees**—The Company is entitled to incentive fees from sub-advisory accounts in its Liquid Strategies. Incentive fees are determined based upon the performance of the respective accounts, subject to the achievement of specified return thresholds in accordance with the terms set out in their respective governing agreements. A portion of the incentive fees earned by the Company is allocable to senior management, investment professionals, and certain other employees of the Company, included in carried interest and incentive fee compensation expense. **expirations.**

**Other Fee Income**—Other fees include primarily service fees for information technology, facilities and operational support provided to portfolio companies.

## 15. Equity-Based Compensation

The DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan") provides for the grant of restricted stock, performance stock units ("PSUs"), Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP") units, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), deferred stock units ("DSUs"), options, warrants or rights to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, cash incentives and other equity-based awards to the Company's officers, directors (including non-employee directors), employees, co-employees, consultants or advisors of the Company or of any parent or subsidiary who provides services to the Company. Shares reserved for the issuance of awards under the Equity Incentive Plan are subject to equitable adjustment upon the occurrence of certain corporate events, provided that this number automatically increases each January 1st by 2% of the outstanding number of shares of the Company's class A common stock on the immediately preceding December 31st. At December 31, 2022, an aggregate 21.3 million shares of the Company's class A common stock were reserved for the issuance of awards under the Equity Incentive Plan.

**Restricted Stock**—Restricted stock awards in the Company's class A common stock are granted to senior executives, directors and certain employees, generally subject to a service condition only, with annual time-based vesting in equal tranches over a three-year period. Restricted stock is entitled to dividends declared and paid on the Company's class A common stock and such dividends are not forfeitable prior to vesting of the award. Restricted stock awards are valued based on the Company's class A common stock price on grant date and equity-based compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period.

**Restricted Stock Units**—RSUs in the Company's class A common stock are subject to a performance condition. Vesting of performance-based RSUs occur upon achievement of certain Company-specific metrics over a performance measurement period that coincides with the recipients' term of service. Only vested RSUs are entitled to accrued dividends declared and paid on the Company's class A common stock during the time period the RSUs are outstanding. Fair value of RSUs are based on the Company's class A common stock price on grant date. Equity-based compensation expense is recognized when it becomes probable that the performance condition will be met.

**Performance Stock Units**—PSUs are granted to senior executives and certain employees, and are subject to both a service condition and a market condition. Following the end of the measurement period, the recipients of PSUs who remain employed will vest in, and be issued a number of shares of the Company's class A common stock, generally ranging from 0% to 200% of the number of PSUs granted and determined based upon the performance of the Company's class A common stock relative to that of a specified peer group over a three-year measurement period (such measurement metric the "total shareholder return"). In addition, recipients of PSUs whose employment is terminated after the first anniversary of their PSU grant are eligible to vest in a portion of the PSU award following the end of the measurement period based upon achievement of the total shareholder return metric applicable to the award. PSUs also contain dividend equivalent rights which entitle the recipients to a payment equal to the amount of dividends that would have been paid on the shares that are ultimately issued at the end of the measurement period.

Fair value of PSUs, including dividend equivalent rights, was determined using a Monte Carlo simulation under a risk-neutral premise, with the following assumptions:

	2022 PSU Grants	2021 PSU Grants	2020 PSU Grants
Expected volatility of the Company's class A common stock <sup>(1)</sup>	32.4%	35.4%	34.1%
Expected annual dividend yield <sup>(2)</sup>	0.0%	0.0%	9.3%
Risk-free rate (per annum) <sup>(3)</sup>	2.0%	0.3%	0.4%

<sup>(1)</sup> Based upon the historical volatility of the Company's stock and those of a specified peer group.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based upon the Company's expected annualized dividends. Expected dividend yield was zero for the March 2022 and 2021 PSU awards as common dividends were suspended beginning the second quarter of 2020 and reinstated in the third quarter of 2022.

<sup>(3)</sup> Based upon the continuously compounded zero-coupon U.S. Treasury yield for the term coinciding with the measurement period of the award as of valuation date.

Fair value of PSU awards, excluding dividend equivalent rights, is recognized on a straight-line basis over their measurement period as compensation expense, and is not subject to reversal even if the market condition is not achieved. The dividend equivalent right is accounted for as a liability-classified award. The fair value of the dividend equivalent right is recognized as compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the measurement period, and is subject to adjustment to fair value at each reporting period.

**LTIP Units**—LTIP units are units in the Operating Company that are designated as profits interests for federal income tax purposes. Unvested LTIP units that are subject to market conditions do not accrue distributions. Each vested LTIP unit is convertible, at the election of the holder (subject to capital account limitation), into one common OP Unit and upon conversion, subject to the redemption terms of OP Units (Note 9).

LTIP units issued have either (1) a service condition only, valued based upon the Company's class A common stock price on grant date; or (2) both a service condition and a market condition based upon the Company's class A common stock achieving a target price over a predetermined measurement period, subject to continuous employment to the time of vesting, and valued using a Monte Carlo simulation.

The following assumptions were applied in the Monte Carlo model under a risk-neutral premise:

	2022 LTIP Grant	2019 LTIP Grant <sup>(1)</sup>
Expected volatility of the Company's class A common stock <sup>(2)</sup>	34.0%	28.3%
Expected dividend yield <sup>(3)</sup>	0.0%	8.1%
Risk-free rate (per annum) <sup>(4)</sup>	3.6%	1.8%

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents 2.5 million LTIP units granted to the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Marc Ganzi, in connection with the Company's acquisition of Digital Bridge Holdings, LLC in July 2019, with vesting based upon achievement of the Company's class A common stock price closing at or above \$40 over any 90 consecutive trading days prior to the fifth anniversary of the grant date.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based upon historical volatility of the Company's stock and those of a specified peer group.

<sup>(3)</sup> Based upon the Company's most recently issued dividend prior to grant date and closing price of the Company's class A common stock on grant date. Expected dividend yield was zero for the June 2022 award as common dividends were suspended beginning the second quarter of 2020 and reinstated in the third quarter of 2022.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based upon the continuously compounded zero-coupon US Treasury yield for the term coinciding with the measurement period of the award as of valuation date.

Equity-based compensation cost on LTIP units is recognized on a straight-line basis either over (1) the service period for awards with a service condition only; or (2) the derived service period for awards with both a service condition and a market condition, irrespective of whether the market condition is satisfied. The derived service period is a service period that is inferred from the application of the simulation technique used in the valuation of the award, and represents the median of the terms in the simulation in which the market condition is satisfied.

**Deferred Stock Units**—Certain non-employee directors may elect to defer the receipt of annual base fees and/or restricted stock awards, and in lieu, receive awards of DSUs. DSUs awarded in lieu of annual base fees are fully vested on their grant date, while DSUs awarded in lieu of restricted stock awards vest one year from their grant date. DSUs are entitled to a dividend equivalent, in the form of additional DSUs based on dividends declared and paid on the Company's class A common stock, subject to the same restrictions and vesting conditions, where applicable. Upon separation of service from the Company, vested DSUs will be settled in shares of the Company's class A common stock. Fair value of DSUs are determined based on the price of the Company's class A common stock on grant date and recognized immediately if fully vested upon grant, or on a straight-line basis over the vesting period as equity based compensation expense and equity.

Equity-based compensation cost, excluding amounts related to businesses presented as discontinued operations (Note 22), is included in the following line items on the consolidated statement of operations. Separately, additional compensation expense was also recorded in connection with the DataBank recapitalization transaction, as described in Note 10.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
Compensation expense (including \$(410) net reversal, \$1,194 and \$568 expense related to dividend equivalent rights)	\$ 33,441	\$ 38,268	\$ 22,892
Administrative expense	1,422	222	—
	<u>\$ 34,863</u>	<u>\$ 38,490</u>	<u>\$ 22,892</u>

In 2022, the amended employment agreements for certain senior executives provided for continued vesting of their outstanding equity awards notwithstanding the expiration of their employment term. This modification resulted in a revaluation of their equity awards, which decreased cumulative compensation expense recognized by \$3.3 million. There were no equity award modifications in connection with continuing operations in 2021 and 2020.

Changes in the Company's unvested equity awards are summarized below, after giving effect to the Company's one-for-four reverse stock split in August 2022.

	Restricted Stock	LTIP Units <sup>(1)</sup>	DSUs	RSUs <sup>(2)</sup>	PSUs <sup>(3)</sup>	Total	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	
							PSUs	All Other Awards
Unvested shares and units at December 31, 2021	2,047,566	2,615,314	25,437	2,397,391	2,621,850	9,707,558	\$ 14.74	\$ 10.05
Granted	1,154,652	125,000	61,079	—	185,674	1,526,405	30.48	24.52
Vested	(1,465,812)	(115,314)	(66,458)	—	(382,589)	(2,030,173)	17.48	18.28
Forfeited	(29,732)	—	—	—	(535,348)	(565,080)	7.31	26.03
Unvested shares and units at December 31, 2022	<u>1,706,674</u>	<u>2,625,000</u>	<u>20,058</u>	<u>2,397,391</u>	<u>1,889,587</u>	<u>8,638,710</u>	<u>17.84</u>	<u>10.84</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the number of LTIP units granted subject to vesting upon achievement of market condition. LTIP units that do not meet the market condition within the measurement period will be forfeited.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents the number of RSUs granted subject to vesting upon achievement of performance condition. RSUs that do not meet the performance condition at the end of the measurement period will be forfeited.

<sup>(3)</sup> Number of PSUs granted does not reflect potential increases or decreases that could result from the final outcome of the total shareholder return measured at the end of the performance period. PSUs for which the total shareholder return was not met at the end of the performance period are forfeited.

Fair value of equity awards that vested, determined based upon their respective fair values at vesting date, was \$53.9 million in 2022, \$68.3 million in 2021 and \$17.9 million in 2020.

At December 31, 2022, aggregate unrecognized compensation cost for all unvested equity awards was \$39.5 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.6 years. This excludes \$18.8 million of unvested RSUs that are not currently probable of achieving their performance conditions and have a remaining performance measurement period of 1.4 years.

#### Awards Granted by Managed Companies

Prior to the termination of the Company's management agreement with BRSP on April 30, 2021, BRSP granted equity awards to the Company and certain of the Company's employees ("managed company awards") that typically vest over a three-year period, subject to service conditions. Generally, the Company granted the managed company awards that it received in its capacity as manager to its employees with substantially the same terms and service requirements. Such grants were made at the discretion of the Company, and the Company may consult with the board of directors or compensation committee of BRSP as to final allocation of awards to its employees.

Managed company awards granted to the Company, pending grant by the Company to its employees, are recognized based upon their fair value at grant date as other asset and other liability on the consolidated balance sheet. The deferred revenue liability is amortized into other income as the awards vest to the Company.

Managed company awards granted to employees, either directly or through the Company, are recorded as other asset and other liability, and amortized on a straight-line basis as equity-based compensation expense and as other income, respectively, as the awards vest to the employees. The other asset and other liability associated with managed

company awards granted to employees are subject to adjustment to fair value at each reporting period, with changes reflected in equity-based compensation and other income, respectively.

The BRSP equity awards granted by the Company to its employees fully vested and accelerated upon termination of the management contract in April 2021. Equity-based compensation expense related to managed company awards was \$5.3 million in 2021 and \$2.1 million in 2020, with a corresponding amount recognized in other income, all of which were reflected in discontinued operations (Note 22).

#### 16. Transactions with Affiliates

Affiliates include (i) private funds and other investment vehicles that the Company manages sponsors and/or sponsors, manages, and in which the Company may have an equity interest or co-invests with; interest; (ii) portfolio companies of sponsored funds; (iii) the Company's other equity investments in unconsolidated ventures; outside of sponsored funds; and (iii) (iv) directors senior executives and employees of the Company (collectively, "employees").

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Amounts due from and due to affiliates consist of the following, excluding amounts related to discontinued operations that are presented as assets held for disposition (Note 21):

(In thousands)	(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
<b>Due from Affiliates</b>	<b>Due from Affiliates</b>					
Investment vehicles, portfolio companies and unconsolidated ventures						
Fee income		\$35,010	\$41,859			
Investment vehicles and portfolio companies						
Investment vehicles and portfolio companies						
Investment vehicles and portfolio companies						
Fee revenue						
Fee revenue						
Fee revenue						
Cost reimbursements and recoverable expenses	Cost reimbursements and recoverable expenses	7,031	7,317			
Employees and other affiliates	Employees and other affiliates	3,319	54			
		<u>\$45,360</u>	<u>\$49,230</u>			
<b>Due to Affiliates (Note 7)</b>						

Employees and other affiliates			
Employees and other affiliates			
		—	
		\$	
<b>Due to Affiliates</b>			
(Note 6)			
Investment vehicles—	Investment vehicles—		
Derivative obligation	Derivative obligation	\$11,793	\$ —
Investment vehicles—Derivative obligation			
Investment vehicles—Derivative obligation			
Investment vehicles—			
InfraBridge (Note 3)			
Employees and other affiliates	Employees and other affiliates	658	—
		\$12,451	\$ —
		\$	
		=	

Significant transactions with affiliates include the following:

**Fee Income Revenue**—Fee income revenue earned from investment vehicles that the Company manages and/or sponsors, and may have an equity interest, or co-investment, are presented in Note 14, except for amounts included within discontinued operations (Note 22) and assets held for disposition (Note 21). 12. Substantially all fee income revenue are from affiliates, other than primarily except for management fees and incentive fee from sub-advisory accounts, accounts and generally, other fee revenue.

**Cost Reimbursements and Recoverable Expenses — Expenses**—The Company receives reimbursements and recovers certain costs paid on behalf of investment vehicles sponsored by the Company, which include: (i) organization and offering costs related to the formation and capital raising of the investment vehicles up to specified thresholds; (ii) costs professional fees incurred in performing investment due diligence; and (iii) direct and indirect operating costs for managing the operations of certain investment vehicles.

Such cost To the extent the Company determines it acts in the capacity of principal in the incurrence of such costs, the related reimbursements and recoverable expenses are included in other income, which totaled \$10.4 million, \$4.3 million and \$10.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively. To the extent the Company determines that it acts in 2022, \$10.2 million the capacity of an agent, the cost reimbursement is presented on a net basis in 2021 and \$8.8 million in 2020.

Separately, reimbursements the consolidated statements of direct and indirect operating costs for managing the operations of BRSP prior to termination of the BRSP management agreement in April 2021 were reflected in other income within discontinued operations (Note 22), operations.

**Warehoused Investments**—The Company may acquire and temporarily warehouse investments on behalf of prospective sponsored investment vehicles that are actively fundraising, fundraising (Note 4). The warehoused investments are transferred to the investment vehicle when sufficient third party capital, including debt, is raised. The Company is generally paid a fee by the investment vehicle, akin to an interest charge, typically calculated as a percentage of the acquisition price of the investment, to compensate the Company for its cost of holding the investment during the warehouse period. The terms of such arrangements may differ for each sponsored investment vehicle or and by investment.

In the second half of 2022, the Company transferred all of its warehoused loans and the investment in TowerCo to its new sponsored funds and received an aggregate return of capital of \$413.2 million, inclusive of holding fees.

**Derivative Obligations of Sponsored Fund**—In the third quarter of 2022, the Company, in its capacity as general partner and for the benefit of its sponsored fund, entered into foreign currency forward contracts to economically hedge the foreign currency exposure of an investment commitment of its sponsored fund (Note 11) 10). The investment committee of the sponsored fund has ratified the fund's responsibility and obligation to assume all resulting liabilities and benefits from

the foreign currency contracts effective from trade date through the novation of the contracts to the fund, which occurred in January 2023. At December 31, 2022, the foreign currency contracts were in an unrealized gain position, fund. The Company recorded a payable in due to affiliates to reflect the fund's obligation to assume the resulting asset from the foreign currency contracts, with a corresponding loss recorded in the consolidated income statement. Accordingly, contracts; accordingly, there is was no net effect to the Company's earnings resulting from these foreign currency contracts. Upon the novation of the contracts to the fund in January 2023, the Company de-recognized the derivative asset and the corresponding payable in due to affiliate.

**Digital Real Estate Acquisitions**—Marc Ganzi, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and Ben Jenkins, President and Chief Investment Officer of the Company, were former owners of Digital Bridge Holdings, LLC ("DBH") prior to its merger into the Company in July 2019. Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins had retained their equity investments and general partner interests in the portfolio companies of DBH, which include DataBank and Vantage.

As a result of the personal investments made by Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins in DataBank and Vantage SDC prior to the Company's acquisition of DBH, additional investments made by the Company in DataBank and Vantage SDC subsequent to their initial acquisitions may trigger future carried interest payments to Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins upon the

occurrence of future realization events. Such investments made by the Company include ongoing payments for the build-out of expansion capacity, including lease-up of the expanded capacity and existing inventory, in Vantage SDC (Note 8) 9) and the acquisition of additional interest in DataBank from an existing investor in January 2022.

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**Carried Interest Allocation from Sponsored Investment Vehicles**—With respect to investment vehicles sponsored by the Company for which Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins are invested in their capacity as former owners of DBH, and not in their capacity as employees of the Company, any carried interest entitlement attributed to such investments by Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins as general partner are not subject to continuing vesting provisions and do not represent compensatory arrangements to the Company. Such carried interest allocation to Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins that are unrealized or realized distributed but unpaid are included in noncontrolling interests on the balance sheet in the Investment Management segment, in the amount of \$112.2 million at December 31, 2023 and \$70.4 million at December 31, 2022 and \$20.8 million at December 31, 2021. Carried interest allocated is recorded as net income attributable to noncontrolling interests in the Investment Management segment totaling \$65.0 million in 2022, \$42.5 million, \$65.0 million and \$17.6 million in for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 and \$3.2 million in 2020, respectively. Additionally, in connection with the DataBank recapitalization (Note 10), 9) in the second half of 2022, Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins received realized distributed carried interest in the form of equity interest in vehicles that invest in DataBank, of which \$86.1 million in aggregate is was not deemed a compensatory arrangement. Such equity interest represent noncontrolling ownership interests in DataBank. A portion of such equity interest was sold by Messrs. Ganzi and Jenkins in connection with the recapitalization transaction.

**Investment in Managed Investment Vehicles**—Subject to the Company's related party policies and procedures, senior management, investment professionals and certain other employees may invest on a discretionary basis in investment vehicles sponsored by the Company, either directly in the vehicle or indirectly through the Company's general partner entity. These investments are generally not subject to management fees or carried interest, but otherwise bear their proportionate share of other operating expenses of the investment vehicles. Such investments in consolidated investment vehicles and general partner entities totaled \$22.7 million at December 31, 2023 and \$17.7 million at December 31, 2022 and \$19.5 million at December 31, 2021, reflected in redeemable noncontrolling interests and noncontrolling interests on the balance sheet. Their sheet in the Investment Management segment. The employees' share of net income was \$4.9 million, \$2.2 million in 2022, and \$2.1 million in for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, and \$0.8 million in 2020. These respectively. Such amounts are reflected in net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests on the consolidated statement of operations in the Investment Management segment and exclude their share of carried interest allocation, which is reflected in incentive fee and carried interest compensation expense (reversal)—carried interest expense.

**Aircraft**—Pursuant to Mr. Ganzi's employment agreement, as amended, the Company has agreed to reimburse Mr. Ganzi for certain variable operational costs of business travel on a chartered or private jet (including any aircraft that Mr. Ganzi may partially or fully own), provided that the Company will not reimburse the allocable share (based on the number of passengers) of variable operational costs for any passenger on such flight who is not traveling on Company business. Additionally, the Company has also agreed to reimburse Mr. Ganzi for certain defined fixed costs of any aircraft owned by Mr. Ganzi. The fixed cost reimbursements will be made based on an allocable portion of an aircraft's annual budgeted fixed cash operating costs, based on the number of hours the aircraft will be used for business purposes. At least once a year, the Company will reconcile the budgeted fixed operating costs with the actual fixed operating costs of the aircraft, and the Company or Mr. Ganzi, as applicable, will make a payment for any difference. The Company reimbursed Mr. Ganzi \$2.7 million in \$4.7 million, \$2.7 million and \$3.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 \$3.0 million in and 2021 and \$1.8 million in 2020, respectively.

**Investment Venture**—Pursuant to an investment agreement entered into between a subsidiary of the Company and Thomas J. Barrack, the Company's former Executive Chairman, effective April 1, 2021, the Company invested \$26.0 million in Mr. Barrack's newly formed investment entity (the "Venture"), which entitles the Company to a portion of carried interest payable to Mr. Barrack from the Venture. Following subsequent events which significantly reduced the likelihood that fundraising by the Venture will sufficiently support its value, the Company determined that its investment would likely not be recoverable and wrote off its investment as of June 30, 2021. In 2023, the investment agreement was terminated and both parties agreed to a dissolution of the Venture.

**Advancement of Expenses**—Effective April 1, 2021, Mr. Thomas J. Barrack stepped down as Executive Chairman of the Company and in July 2021, resigned as a member of the Company's Board of Directors. In October 2021, the Company entered into an Agreement Regarding Advancement of Certain Expenses ("Advancement Agreement") with Mr. Barrack, which is generally consistent with the Company's obligations and Mr. Barrack's rights regarding advancement of expenses under the terms of a January 2017 Indemnification Agreement between the Company and Mr. Barrack, and under the Company's Bylaws. The Advancement Agreement (a) memorializes the parties' disagreement agreement as to the Company's obligations and Mr. Barrack's rights under the earlier Indemnification Agreement and the Company's Bylaws, and (b) obligates Mr. Barrack to reimburse the Company for such advanced expenses under certain circumstances. Pursuant to the Advancement Agreement, the Company expensed \$27.6 million in 2022 and \$5.6 million in 2021.

## 17. Income Taxes

As discussed the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, with immaterial expenses in Note 1, commencing with the taxable year ended December 31, 2022, the Company is taxed as a C Corporation, except for subsidiaries that have elected or anticipate electing REIT status. Given the availability of significant capital loss and NOL carryforwards, the Company's transition from a REIT to a taxable C Corporation, in and of itself, did not result in significant incremental current income tax expense in 2022. The Company's primary source of income subject to tax remains its investment management business, which was already subject to tax previously through its TRS.

### Income Tax Benefit (Expense)

The components of current and deferred tax benefit (expense), excluding amounts related to discontinued operations (Note 22), are as follows:

Year Ended December 31,

(In thousands)	2022	2021	2020
<b>Current</b>			
Federal	\$ 3,935	\$ 3,355	\$ (3,019)
State and local	(1,143)	(20)	(104)
Foreign	(864)	(347)	(327)
Total current tax benefit (expense)	1,928	2,988	(3,450)
<b>Deferred</b>			
Federal	(13,734)	94,659	41,603
State and local	(2,405)	2,491	8,910
Foreign	744	400	—
Total deferred tax benefit (expense)	(15,395)	97,550	50,513
<b>Income tax benefit (expense) on continuing operations</b>	<b>\$ (13,467)</b>	<b>\$ 100,538</b>	<b>\$ 47,063</b>

2023. The Company believes it has no income tax benefits recognized for uncertain tax positions. met all of its financial obligations under the Advancement Agreement and does not expect to make any further advances to Mr. Barrack thereunder.

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### Deferred Income Tax Asset and Liability

Deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability are presented within other assets, and accrued and other liabilities, respectively.

The components of deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability are as follows, excluding amounts in connection with assets held for disposition.

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
<b>Deferred tax asset</b>		
Capital losses <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 252,904	\$ —
Net operating losses <sup>(2)</sup>	92,224	21,552
Investment in partnerships	317,048	—
Equity-based compensation	11,856	11,486
Real estate, leases and related intangible liabilities	3,987	14,853
Deferred income	2,086	535
Deferred interest expense	5,556	1,799
Lease liability—corporate offices	16,130	19,295
Other	5,847	—
Gross deferred tax asset	707,638	69,520
Valuation allowance	(679,057)	(12,766)
Deferred tax asset, net of valuation allowance	28,581	56,754
<b>Deferred tax liability</b>		
Investment in partnerships	—	22,399
Real estate, leases and related intangible assets	3,026	—
Other intangible assets	11,754	5,528
ROU lease asset—corporate offices	11,376	14,274
Other	381	7,857
Gross deferred tax liability	26,537	50,058
<b>Net deferred tax asset</b>	<b>\$ 2,044</b>	<b>\$ 6,696</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> At December 31, 2022, deferred tax asset was recognized on capital losses of \$1.0 billion, which expire between 2024 and 2027, with full valuation allowance established.

<sup>(2)</sup> At December 31, 2022 and 2021, deferred tax asset was recognized on NOL of \$378.7 million and \$89.8 million, respectively, for which full valuation allowance was established in 2022 and partial in 2021. NOL, which is largely attributable to U.S. federal losses incurred after December 31, 2017, can be carried forward indefinitely.

### Valuation Allowance

Changes in the deferred tax asset valuation allowance are presented below, which include activities classified as continuing and discontinued operations:

Year Ended December 31,



(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$ 12,766	\$ 1,852	\$ —
Addition	666,291	33,756	1,852
Utilization, expiration and/or reversal	—	(22,842)	—
Ending balance	\$ 679,057	\$ 12,766	\$ 1,852

In 2022, significant deferred tax assets were recognized with an offsetting valuation allowance. As a result of the Company's transition to a taxable C Corporation, \$400.2 million of deferred tax asset was recognized as of January 1, 2022 related principally to capital loss carryforwards and outside basis difference in DBRG's interest in the OP, and \$134.2 million was recorded during the year related to changes in DBRG's interest in the OP that were treated as equity transactions. Outside basis difference in investment in partnerships along with NOL generated by a subsidiary during the year further contributed to the deferred tax asset balance in 2022. At December 31, 2022, it was determined that the realizability of these deferred tax assets did not meet the more-likely-than-not threshold, and consequently, a full valuation allowance was established against these deferred tax assets. In assessing realizability, the Company determined that there were no prudent and feasible tax planning strategies that the Company could employ to reasonably assure the future realizability of its carryforward losses and other deferred tax assets. In the absence of tax planning strategies and given the Company's history of cumulative operating losses, which was largely a product of the recent transition in the Company's business, it was difficult to overcome the resulting uncertainties over the Company's ability to generate future taxable income to realize these deferred tax assets. In future periods, if the realizability of all or some portion of these deferred tax assets becomes more likely than not, the associated valuation allowance would be reversed as a deferred tax benefit.

#### Foreign Subsidiary Earnings

The Company has evaluated all unremitted earnings of its foreign subsidiaries, which may be repatriated at the Company's election, and has not recorded any deferred tax liability as no material taxes are expected to be due if and when these amounts are repatriated.

#### Effective Income Tax

The Company's income tax benefit attributable to continuing operations varied from the amount computed by applying the statutory income tax rate to loss from continuing operations before income taxes. The following table presents a reconciliation of the statutory U.S. income tax to the Company's effective income tax attributable to continuing operations:

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	\$ (407,826)	\$ (317,361)	\$ (638,151)
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes attributable to pass-through subsidiaries	NA	198,180	386,352
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes attributable to taxable subsidiaries	(407,826)	(119,181)	(251,799)
Federal income tax benefit at statutory tax rate (21%)	85,643	25,028	52,878
State and local income taxes, net of federal income tax benefit	23,944	3,721	3,008
Foreign income tax differential	782	(86)	—
Noncontrolling interests	(44,014)	—	—
Separately taxable subsidiaries of OP	21,226	—	—
Change in ownership of OP, including equity reallocation (Note 2)	(2,838)	—	—
Equity-based compensation	1,971	1,814	(4,121)
DataBank REIT election	—	79,547	—
Valuation allowance <sup>(1)</sup>	(95,344)	(10,914)	(1,852)
Other, net	(4,837)	1,428	(2,850)
Income tax benefit (expense) on continuing operations	\$ (13,467)	\$ 100,538	\$ 47,063

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes changes in valuation allowance related to the Company's transition to taxable C Corporation as of January 1, 2022, outside basis difference in changes in DBRG's interest in the OP that were treated as equity transactions, and other activities associated with discontinued operations.

In 2021, the Company's DataBank subsidiary completed a restructuring of its operations to qualify as a REIT and elected REIT status for U.S. federal income tax purposes for the 2021 taxable year. As a result, DataBank recorded a net deferred tax benefit of \$66.8 million in 2021, reflecting principally the write-off of its deferred tax liabilities. As a REIT, DataBank is generally not subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its taxable income to the extent that it annually distributes such taxable income to its stockholders and maintains certain asset and income requirements. However, DataBank continues to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on income earned by its taxable subsidiaries.

#### Tax Examinations

The Company is no longer subject to new income tax examinations by tax authorities for years prior to 2018.

## 18.17. Segment Reporting

The Company conducts its business through two its one reportable segments: (i) segment of Investment Management (formerly, Digital Investment Management); and (ii) Management. The Operating (formerly, Digital Operating) segment was discontinued following full deconsolidation of the Company's direct co-investment portfolio companies in digital infrastructure assets held by its portfolio companies, the Operating segment on December 31, 2023, as discussed in Note 9, at which time, the activities thereof qualified as discontinued operations (Note 2).

- The Investment Management—This segment represents the Company's global investment management platform, deploying and managing capital on behalf of a diverse base of global institutional investors. The Company's investment management platform is composed of a growing number of long-duration, private investment funds designed to provide institutional investors access to investments across different segments of the digital infrastructure ecosystem. In addition to its flagship value-add digital infrastructure equity offerings, the Company's investment offerings have expanded to include core equity, credit and liquid securities. The Company earns management fees based upon the assets or capital managed in investment vehicles, and may earn incentive fees and carried interest based upon the performance of such investment vehicles, subject to achievement of minimum return hurdles.

The amount of incentive fees and carried interest recognized, a portion of which is allocated to employees and former employees, may be highly variable from period to period. Through the end of May 2022, earnings from the Investment Management segment were attributed 31.5% to Wafra prior to the Company's redemption of Wafra's interest in the investment management business (as discussed further in Note 10) (Note 9).

- Operating—This segment is composed of balance sheet equity interests in digital infrastructure and real estate operating companies, which generally earn rental income from providing use of digital asset space and/or capacity through leases, services and other agreements. The Company currently owns interests in two companies: DataBank, an edge colocation data center business (DBRG ownership of 11% at December 31, 2022 and 20% at December 31, 2021); and Vantage SDC, a stabilized hyperscale data center business (DBRG ownership of 13% at December 31, 2022 and 2021). DataBank and Vantage SDC are portfolio companies managed by the Company under its Investment Management segment with respect to equity interests owned by third party capital.

The Company's remaining investment activities and corporate level activities are presented as Corporate and Other.

- Other investment activities are composed primarily of the Company's equity interests in: (i) digital as general partner affiliate in its sponsored investment vehicles, the largest of which is in are the DBP flagship funds, InfraBridge funds, DataBank and Vantage SDC post-deconsolidation, and seed investments in liquid securities and other potential new strategies; and (ii) remaining non-digital investments, primarily in BRSP. Outside of its strategies, general partner interests, the Company's other equity interests in its sponsored and/or managed digital investment vehicles are considered to be incidental to its investment management business. The primary economics to the Company are represented by fee income and carried interest as general partner and/or manager, rather than economics from its equity interest in the investment vehicles as a limited partner or equivalent. With respect to seed investments, these are not intended to be a long-term deployment of capital by the Company and are expected to be warehoused temporarily on the Company's balance sheet until sufficient third party capital has been raised. At this time, the remaining The Company's remaining non-digital investments are not substantially available consisted, for immediate sale and are expected to be monetized over an extended period beyond the near term. These most part, of shares in BRSP that were disposed in March 2023. The Company's other investment activities generate largely equity method earnings or losses principal investment income, driven by fair value changes of underlying investments held by its investment vehicles, and to a lesser extent, revenues in the form of interest income or dividend income from warehoused investments and investments of consolidated investment vehicles. Effective the third quarter of 2021, these activities are no longer presented separately as the Digital Other and Other segments, which is consistent with and reflects management's focus on its core digital operations and overall simplification of the Company's business. This change in segment presentation is reflected retrospectively.
- Corporate activities include corporate level cash and corresponding interest income, corporate level financing and related interest expense, corporate level transaction costs, costs in connection with unconsummated investments, income and expense related to cost reimbursement arrangements with affiliates, fixed assets for administrative corporate use, compensation expense not directly attributable to reportable segments, and corporate level administrative and overhead costs, and adjustments to eliminate intercompany fees, costs. Costs which are directly attributable, or otherwise can be subjected to a reasonable and systematic attribution, have been attributed to each of the reportable segments. As segment results are presented before elimination of intercompany fees, elimination adjustment pertains is made with respect to fee income revenue earned by the Investment Management segment from third party capital in managed investment vehicles managed by the Company and consolidated within the Operating segment and in Corporate and Other. Such adjustments amounted to \$3.4 million, \$6.6 million and \$1.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

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### Segment Results of Operations

The following table summarizes results of from continuing operations of the Company's reportable segments including reconciliation and reconciled to the consolidated statement of operations.

(In thousands)	Investment Management		Operating		Corporate and Other		Total	
Year Ended December 31, 2022								
Total revenues	\$	182,045	\$	884,874	\$	77,653	\$	1,144,572
Property operating expense		—		(376,255)		(13,190)		(389,445)
Interest expense		(10,872)		(159,409)		(28,217)		(198,498)
Investment expense and transaction costs		(9,007)		(24,338)		(10,671)		(44,016)
Depreciation and amortization		(22,155)		(532,640)		(22,116)		(576,911)
Compensation expense, including \$202,286 of incentive fee and carried interest compensation		(303,719)		(90,505)		(53,319)		(447,543)

Administrative expense	(21,515)	(30,915)	(70,754)	(123,184)
Other loss, net	(3,341)	(808)	(166,406)	(170,555)
Equity method earnings, including carried interest	382,463	—	15,291	397,754
Income tax benefit (expense)	(7,815)	(335)	(5,317)	(13,467)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	186,084	(330,331)	(277,046)	(421,293)
Net income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	69,884	(53,178)	(228,410)	(211,704)
Net loss from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.				(110,093)
Net loss attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.				<u>\$ (321,797)</u>
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2021</b>				
Total revenues	\$ 191,682	\$ 763,199	\$ 10,918	\$ 965,799
Property operating expense	—	(316,178)	—	(316,178)
Interest expense	(4,766)	(125,387)	(56,796)	(186,949)
Investment expense and transaction costs	(3,423)	(21,835)	(8,780)	(34,038)
Depreciation and amortization	(26,736)	(495,342)	(17,617)	(539,695)
Compensation expense, including \$65,890 of incentive fee and carried interest compensation	(136,945)	(76,213)	(88,717)	(301,875)
Administrative expense	(21,683)	(36,867)	(50,940)	(109,490)
Other gain (loss), net	797	(1,293)	(20,916)	(21,412)
Equity method earnings, including carried interest	101,811	—	124,666	226,477
Income tax benefit (expense)	(9,822)	79,075	31,285	100,538
Income (loss) from continuing operations	90,915	(230,841)	(76,897)	(216,823)
Net income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	51,531	(36,664)	(87,506)	(72,639)
Net loss from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.				(237,458)
Net loss attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.				<u>\$ (310,097)</u>

	Investment Management			Corporate and Other			Total		
	Year Ended December 31,			Year Ended December 31,			Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021	2023	2022	2021	2023	2022	2021
<b>Revenues</b>									
Fee revenue	\$ 267,181	\$ 176,061	\$ 187,379	\$ (3,064)	\$ (3,388)	\$ (6,553)	\$ 264,117	\$ 172,673	\$ 180,826
Carried interest allocation	363,075	378,342	99,207	—	—	—	363,075	378,342	99,207
Principal investment income	4,223	4,121	2,604	141,225	52,610	83,419	145,448	56,731	86,023
Other income	11,405	5,984	4,303	37,338	81,041	17,471	48,743	87,025	21,774
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>645,884</b>	<b>564,508</b>	<b>293,493</b>	<b>175,499</b>	<b>130,263</b>	<b>94,337</b>	<b>821,383</b>	<b>694,771</b>	<b>387,830</b>
<b>Expenses</b>									
Interest expense	10,514	10,872	4,766	14,026	32,054	58,478	24,540	42,926	63,244
Investment-related expense	2,539	4,112	3,423	616	19,107	3,745	3,155	23,219	7,168
Transaction-related costs	6,973	4,895	—	3,850	5,234	5,515	10,823	10,129	5,515
Depreciation and amortization	35,259	22,155	26,736	1,392	22,116	17,617	36,651	44,271	44,353
Compensation expense									
Cash and equity-based	154,442	101,433	71,055	52,450	53,319	88,717	206,892	154,752	159,772
Incentive fee and carried interest allocation	186,030	202,286	65,890	—	—	—	186,030	202,286	65,890
Administrative expense	40,544	21,515	21,683	43,238	72,607	56,085	83,782	94,122	77,768
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>436,301</b>	<b>367,268</b>	<b>193,553</b>	<b>115,572</b>	<b>204,437</b>	<b>230,157</b>	<b>551,873</b>	<b>571,705</b>	<b>423,710</b>
<b>Other income (loss)</b>									
Other gain (loss), net	(2,527)	(3,341)	797	98,646	(166,406)	(20,916)	96,119	(169,747)	(20,119)
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes</b>	<b>207,056</b>	<b>193,899</b>	<b>100,737</b>	<b>158,573</b>	<b>(240,580)</b>	<b>(156,736)</b>	<b>365,629</b>	<b>(46,681)</b>	<b>(55,999)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	(1,694)	(7,815)	(9,822)	1,688	(5,317)	31,285	(6)	(13,132)	21,463
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations</b>	<b>205,362</b>	<b>186,084</b>	<b>90,915</b>	<b>160,261</b>	<b>(245,897)</b>	<b>(125,451)</b>	<b>365,623</b>	<b>(59,813)</b>	<b>(34,536)</b>

Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to noncontrolling interests:									
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	215	(3,175)	14,893	6,288	(23,603)	19,784	6,503	(26,778)	34,677
Investment entities	86,290	113,853	19,153	18,074	(834)	7,992	104,364	113,019	27,145
Operating Company	8,374	5,522	5,338	5,103	(21,998)	(21,384)	13,477	(16,476)	(16,046)
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ 110,483</b>	<b>\$ 69,884</b>	<b>\$ 51,531</b>	<b>\$ 130,796</b>	<b>\$ (199,462)</b>	<b>\$ (131,843)</b>	<b>\$ 241,279</b>	<b>\$ (129,578)</b>	<b>\$ (80,312)</b>
Income (loss) from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.							(55,999)	(192,219)	(229,785)
<b>Income (loss) attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ 185,280</b>	<b>\$ (321,797)</b>	<b>\$ (310,097)</b>						

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(In thousands)	Investment Management	Operating	Corporate and Other	Total
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2020</b>				
Total revenues	\$ 85,782	\$ 313,283	\$ 17,365	\$ 416,430
Property operating expense	—	(119,729)	(105)	(119,834)
Interest expense	—	(77,976)	(42,853)	(120,829)
Investment expense and transaction costs	(204)	(6,704)	(11,925)	(18,833)
Depreciation and amortization	(26,056)	(210,188)	(4,776)	(241,020)
Impairment loss	(3,832)	—	(21,247)	(25,079)
Compensation expense, including \$1,906 of incentive fee and carried interest compensation	(47,959)	(37,005)	(93,094)	(178,058)
Administrative expense	(9,724)	(14,960)	(54,082)	(78,766)
Settlement and other gain (loss), net	169	(245)	(11,507)	(11,583)
Equity method earnings (losses), including carried interest	13,039	—	(273,618)	(260,579)
Income tax benefit (expense)	(60)	21,461	25,662	47,063
Income (loss) from continuing operations	11,155	(132,063)	(470,180)	(591,088)
Net income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.	10,423	(20,903)	(425,268)	(435,748)
Net loss from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.				(2,240,011)
Net loss attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.				\$ (2,675,759)

Total Of the Company's total assets of \$3.6 billion at December 31, 2023 and equity method investments of reportable segments, including reconciliation to \$11.0 billion at December 31, 2022, \$1.48 billion and \$875.4 million reside in the consolidated balance sheet, are summarized as follows:

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022		December 31, 2021	
	Total Assets	Equity Method Investments	Total Assets	Equity Method Investments
Investment Management	\$ 875,422	\$ 393,414	\$ 655,152	\$ 140,027
Operating	8,149,171	—	7,608,451	—
Corporate and Other	1,946,384	576,840	2,257,598	533,069
	10,970,977	970,254	10,521,201	673,096
Assets held for disposition related to discontinued operations	57,526	54,495	3,676,615	182,552
	\$ 11,028,503	\$ 1,024,749	\$ 14,197,816	\$ 855,648

Investment Management segment, respectively.

### Geography

Geographic information about the Company's total income from continuing operations and long-lived assets, excluding assets held for disposition, of discontinued operations, are as follows. Geography is generally presented as the location in which the income producing assets reside or the location in which income generating services are performed.

Year Ended December 31,							
Year Ended December 31,							
(In thousands)	(In thousands)	2022	2021	2020	(In thousands)	2023	2022
						2021	

Total income by geography:	Total income by geography:			
United States	United States			
United States	United States			
United States	United States	\$	1,494,713	\$ 1,112,265 \$ 382,920
Europe	Europe		58,548	18,147 1,442
Other	Other		45,090	51,679 17,126
Total	Total			
(1)	(1)	\$	1,598,351	\$ 1,182,091 \$ 401,488

(In thousands)	(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	(In thousands)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Long-lived assets by geography:	Long-lived assets by geography:					
United States	United States	\$6,566,576	\$5,792,711			
United States	United States					
Europe	Europe	95,217	109,555			
Other	Other	720,282	633,618			
Total (2)	Total (2)	\$7,382,075	\$6,535,884			

(1) Total income includes the Company's share of earnings and losses from its equity method investments, including carried interest, but excludes the Company's impairment of equity method investments of \$60.4 million in 2022 and \$254.5 million in 2020 (no impairment in 2021). Total income excludes cost reimbursement income from affiliates (Note 16), presented within other income, and income from discontinued operations (Note 22) 2).

(2) Long-lived assets include real estate held for investment, lease related intangible assets, operating lease right-of-use assets and fixed assets. Long-lived assets and exclude financial instruments, goodwill, non-lease related intangible assets and assets held for disposition, of discontinued operations.

## 19. 18. Commitments and Contingencies

### Litigation

The Company may be involved in litigation in the ordinary course of business. As of December 31, 2022 December 31, 2023, the Company was not involved in any legal proceedings that are expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations, financial position or liquidity.

### Leases

As lessee, the Company's leasing arrangements are composed of (i) leases on investment properties, consisting primarily of finance and generally limited to operating leases on powered shell spaces for data centers, an air rights operating lease, lease on data center equipment, and operating ground leases; and (ii) operating leases for its corporate offices.

The weighted average remaining lease term based upon outstanding lease liability balances at December 31, 2022, excluding leases on investment properties held for disposition, December 31, 2023 was 10.4 years for finance leases on investment properties, 9.7 years for operating leases on investment properties and 5.7 6.3 years for operating leases on corporate offices.

The following table summarizes total lease cost for operating leases and finance leases, excluding on corporate offices, which are included in administrative expense.

(In thousands)	December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Fixed lease expense	\$ 8,678	\$ 7,090	\$ 7,010
Variable lease expense	1,713	2,073	1,829
Total operating lease cost	\$ 10,391	\$ 9,163	\$ 8,839

In 2022, the Company also had operating leases on investment properties classified as discontinued operations.

Year Ended December 31,		
2022	2021	2020

(In thousands)	Investment Properties		Corporate Offices		Investment Properties		Corporate Offices		Investment Properties		Corporate Offices	
Operating leases: <sup>(1)</sup>												
Fixed lease expense	\$	69,292	\$	7,090	\$	63,356	\$	7,010	\$	18,456	\$	9,005
Variable lease expense		13,981		2,073		14,897		1,829		5,612		1,986
Total operating lease cost	\$	83,273	\$	9,163	\$	78,253	\$	8,839	\$	24,068	\$	10,991
Finance leases:												
Interest expense	\$	8,519		NA	\$	8,936		NA	\$	414		NA
Amortization of ROU lease asset		11,648		NA		11,648		NA		475		NA
Total finance lease cost	\$	20,167		NA	\$	20,584		NA	\$	889		NA

<sup>(1)</sup> Total lower assets that were temporarily warehoused from June to December 2022, with total lease cost, for operating leases is included in property operating expense for investment properties and administrative expense for corporate offices, generally fixed, of \$7.6 million (Note 2).

#### Lease Commitments

Finance and operating lease liabilities take into consideration renewal or termination options when such options are deemed reasonably certain to be exercised by the Company and exclude variable lease payments which are expensed as incurred. The Company makes variable lease payments for: (i) leases with rental payments that are adjusted periodically for inflation, and/or (ii) nonlease services, such as common area maintenance and operating expenses, primarily for power, in data center leases; maintenance.

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The table below presents the Company's future lease commitments at December 31, 2022, determined using weighted average discount rates of 6.2% for finance leases on investment properties, 6.6% for operating leases on investment properties, excluding properties held for disposition, and 4.9% for operating leases on corporate offices; offices at December 31, 2023, determined using a weighted average discount rate of 5.7%:

(In thousands)		Finance Leases		Operating Leases	
Year Ending December 31,	Year Ending December 31,	Investment Properties		Corporate Offices	
2023		\$	15,942	\$	53,090
				\$	8,709
Year Ending December 31,					
Year Ending December 31,					
2024					
2024					
2024	2024		16,332		51,519
2025	2025		16,735		41,053
2025					
2025					
2026					
2026					
2026	2026		17,312		37,711
2027	2027		17,773		36,760
2028 and thereafter			101,782		232,882
2027					
2027					
2028					
2028					
2028					
2029 and thereafter					
2029 and thereafter					
2029 and thereafter					
Total lease payments					
Total lease payments					
Total lease payments	Total lease payments		185,876		453,015
					46,885

Present value discount	Present value discount	(50,252)	(167,082)	(6,388)
Finance / Operating lease liability	\$	135,624	\$	285,933
			\$	40,497
Present value discount				
Present value discount				
Operating lease liability on corporate offices				
Operating lease liability on corporate offices				
Operating lease liability on corporate offices				

#### Commitments on Future Leases

At December 31, 2022December 31, 2023, the Company had an operating lease commitments commitment on two corporate an office spaces commencing space expected to commence in 2023, including one assumed through the acquisition of InfraBridge in February 2023. The 2025 with fixed lease payments (undiscounted) total \$21.4 totaling \$57.1 million over a 9.7 ten year weighted average lease term.

#### Tenant Allowance

In connection with DataBank's acquisition of a data center portfolio in March 2022 (Note 3), DataBank and the seller concurrently entered into a master lease agreement which provides that the seller leases from DataBank land acquired in the transaction. If the seller does not exercise its rights to early terminate the lease, the seller is obligated to develop a data center facility on a portion of the acquired land and DataBank is committed to provide the seller a tenant allowance of up to \$37.5 million to finance the construction. In December 2022, the seller waived its right to terminate the lease with respect to the portion of the land subject to development. The seller will be responsible for undertaking the construction and any resulting overages. Title to the to-be constructed building, improvements and fixtures will be vested in the seller for the duration of the lease and transfers to DataBank thereafter. The timing of funding of DataBank's commitment to the seller will be based on agreed upon milestones, with construction to be completed no later than January 1, 2026. DataBank expects to fund its commitment through future debt drawdowns.

## 20. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information</b>			
Cash paid for interest, net of amounts capitalized of \$3,206, \$1,567 and \$852	\$ 219,851	\$ 444,365	\$ 392,004
Cash received, net of cash paid, for income taxes	11,747	5,927	39,151
Operating lease payments	72,891	66,858	31,138
Finance lease payments	15,672	15,346	889
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flows from Discontinued Operations</b>			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of discontinued operations	\$ (10,599)	\$ 175,782	\$ 106,696
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities of discontinued operations	(23,375)	1,021,239	1,029,647
Net cash used in financing activities of discontinued operations	(18,706)	(658,831)	(940,441)
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities</b>			
Dividends and distributions payable	\$ 16,491	\$ 15,759	\$ 18,516
Improvements in operating real estate in accrued and other liabilities	76,832	17,926	27,096
Receivable from loan repayments and asset sales	16,824	14,045	1,858
Operating lease right-of-use assets and lease liabilities established	28,328	31,032	262,169
Finance lease right-of-use assets and lease liabilities established	—	—	148,974
Redemption of OP Units for common stock	341	4,647	7,757
Redemption of redeemable noncontrolling interest for common stock	348,759	—	—
Exchange of notes into shares of Class A common stock	60,317	161,261	—
Assets and liabilities of investment entities liquidated or conveyed to lender <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	172,927
Assets consolidated from real estate acquisitions, net of cash and restricted cash	—	—	5,399,611
Liabilities assumed in real estate acquisitions	—	—	1,854,760
Noncontrolling interests assumed in real estate acquisitions	—	—	366,136
Debt assumed by buyer in sale of real estate	—	44,148	—



Seller Note received in sale of NRF Holdco equity	154,992	—	—
Loan receivable relieved in exchange for equity investment acquired	20,676	—	—
Assets disposed in sale of equity of investment entities or sale by receiver	4,689,188	5,263,443	395,351
Liabilities disposed in sale of equity of investment entities or sale by receiver	3,948,016	4,291,557	235,425
Assets of investment entities deconsolidated <sup>(2)</sup>	—	351,022	80,921
Liabilities of investment entities deconsolidated <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	—
Noncontrolling interests of investment entities sold or deconsolidated <sup>(2)</sup>	415,098	1,080,134	—

<sup>(1)</sup> The Company indirectly conveyed the equity of certain of its wellness infrastructure borrower subsidiaries to an affiliate of the lender, which released the Company from all rights and obligations with respect to the assets and previously defaulted debt of these subsidiaries.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents deconsolidation of noncontrolling interests upon sale of the Company's equity interests in investment entities (Note 22).

## 21. Assets and Related Liabilities Held for Disposition

Total assets and related liabilities held for disposition are summarized below, all of which relate to discontinued operations (Note 22). At December 31, 2022, these were composed of remaining equity investments excluded from the December 2021 OED sale. At December 31, 2021, also included are assets and liabilities held by NRF Holdco, related primarily to the Wellness Infrastructure business prior to its sale in February 2022.

(In thousands)	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
<b>Assets</b>		
Restricted cash	\$ —	\$ 65,022
Real estate, net	—	3,079,416
Loans receivable	—	55,878
Equity and debt investments	57,387	250,246
Deferred leasing costs and other intangible assets, net	—	118,300
Other assets	139	100,720
Due from affiliates	—	7,033
<b>Total assets held for disposition</b>	<b>\$ 57,526</b>	<b>\$ 3,676,615</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Debt, net <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ —	\$ 2,869,360
Lease intangibles and other liabilities	380	219,339
<b>Total liabilities related to assets held for disposition</b>	<b>\$ 380</b>	<b>\$ 3,088,699</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents debt related to assets held for disposition that was assumed by the acquirer upon sale of the assets. At December 31, 2021, included the 5.375% exchangeable senior notes and junior subordinated debt (as described in Note 12) which were obligations of NRF Holdco as the issuer.

### Nonrecurring Fair Value of Assets Classified as Held for Disposition and Discontinued Operations

The Company measures fair value of certain assets on a nonrecurring basis when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the assets may not be recoverable.

The Company initially measures assets classified as held for disposition at the lower of their carrying amounts or fair value less disposal costs. For bulk sale transactions, the unit of account is the disposal group, with any excess of the aggregate carrying value over estimated fair value less costs to sell allocated to the individual assets within the group.

#### 2022

At December 31, 2022, there were no assets held for sale that were measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis.

Impairment loss of \$36.0 million was recorded in 2022 primarily based upon the final carrying value of net assets of the Wellness Infrastructure business upon closing of the disposition of NRF Holdco in February 2022.

#### 2021

At December 31, 2021, only real estate held for disposition that pertained to the Wellness Infrastructure business was carried at nonrecurring fair value, having been impaired \$313.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2021 based upon the sales price for NRF Holdco.

Other assets that had been impaired during 2021 pertained to real estate, equity investments and intangible assets of the OED and Other IM portfolio that were disposed in December 2021.

### Recurring Fair Value of Assets Classified as Held for Disposition and Discontinued Operations

**Equity Investments Carried at NAV**—These include equity interest in a private fund and prior to its disposition as part of NRF Holdco in February 2022, investment in a Company-sponsored non-traded REIT, amounting to \$2.9 million at December 31, 2022 and \$31.2 million at December 31, 2021.

**Equity Method Investments under Fair Value Option**—Equity method investments under the fair value option of \$44.5 million at December 31, 2022 and \$79.3 million at December 31, 2021 were measured based upon indicative sales price, classified as Level 3 fair value.

**Loans Receivable under Fair Value Option**—There were no loans held for disposition at December 31, 2022. At December 31, 2021, the loan held for disposition represents a component of the overall sales price for NRF Holdco, which was disposed in February 2022.

**Debt Securities**—Prior to the sale of NRF Holdco in February 2022, the Company had investments in debt securities, composed of AFS N-Star CDO bonds, which were subordinate bonds retained by NRF Holdco in its sponsored CDOs. The CDO bonds were collateralized primarily by commercial real estate debt and securities.

The balance of N-Star CDO bonds at December 31, 2021, classified as Level 3 fair value, is summarized as follows.

(in thousands)	Amortized Cost without Allowance for Credit Loss	Allowance for Credit Loss	Gross Cumulative Unrealized		Fair Value
			Gains	Losses	
December 31, 2021	\$ 55,041	\$ (24,882)	\$ 6,372	\$ —	\$ 36,531

Prior to its sale, the fair value of N-Star CDO bonds represents a component of the overall sales price for the disposition of NRF Holdco.

There was no provision for credit loss in 2022 prior to disposition but \$0.2 million was recognized in 2021. Credit losses were determined based upon an analysis of the present value of contractual cash flows expected to be collected from the underlying collateral as compared to the amortized cost basis of the security.

#### Level 3 Recurring Fair Values

The following table presents changes in recurring Level 3 fair value assets held for disposition. Realized and unrealized gains (losses) are included in AOCI for AFS debt securities, other gain (loss) for loans receivable and equity method losses for equity method investments, all of which are presented in discontinued operations (Note 22).

(in thousands)	AFS Debt Securities Held for Disposition	Fair Value Option	
		Loans Held for Disposition	Equity Method Investments Held for Disposition
<b>Fair value at December 31, 2020</b>	\$ 28,576	\$ 1,258,539	\$ 153,259
Purchases, drawdowns, contributions and accretion	10,049	19,070	8
Paydowns, distributions and sales	(1,569)	(440,646)	(12,594)
Change in accrued interest and capitalization of paid-in-kind interest	—	5,801	—
Allowance for credit losses	(194)	—	—
Realized and unrealized losses in earnings, net	—	(92,701)	(29,961)
Deconsolidation of investment entities (Note 20)	—	(647,218)	(27,402)
Other	—	(7,088)	—
Other comprehensive loss <sup>(1)</sup>	(331)	(39,879)	(4,001)
<b>Fair value at December 31, 2021</b>	<u>\$ 36,531</u>	<u>\$ 55,878</u>	<u>\$ 79,309</u>
Net unrealized gains (losses) on instruments held at December 31, 2021			
In earnings	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (28,216)
In other comprehensive loss	<u>\$ (331)</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
<b>Fair value at December 31, 2021</b>	\$ 36,531	\$ 55,878	\$ 79,309
Purchases, drawdowns, contributions and accretion	195	—	—
Paydowns, distributions and sales	(36,726)	(54,490)	(10,183)
Change in accrued interest and capitalization of paid-in-kind interest	—	(1,013)	—
Realized and unrealized losses in earnings, net	—	(375)	(19,845)
Other comprehensive loss <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	(4,822)
<b>Fair value at December 31, 2022</b>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 44,459</u>
Net unrealized gains (losses) on instruments held at December 31, 2022			
In earnings	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (19,845)
In other comprehensive loss	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>

Amounts recorded in OCI for loans receivable and equity method investments represent foreign currency translation of the Company's foreign subsidiaries that hold the respective foreign currency denominated investments.

## 22. Discontinued Operations

Discontinued operations represent the following:

- Wellness Infrastructure**—operations of the Wellness Infrastructure business, along with other non-core assets held by NRF Holdco prior to the sale of 100% of the equity of NRF Holdco in February 2022. The non-core assets held by NRF Holdco were composed primarily of: (i) the Company's equity interest in and management of NorthStar Healthcare Income, Inc., debt securities collateralized largely by certain debt and preferred equity within the capital structure of the Wellness Infrastructure portfolio, limited partner interests in private equity real estate funds; as well as (ii) the 5.375% exchangeable senior notes, trust preferred securities and corresponding junior subordinated debt, all of which were issued by NRF Holdco who acts as guarantor.  
  
The sales price for 100% of the equity of NRF Holdco was \$281 million, composed of \$126 million cash and a \$155 million unsecured promissory note (the "Seller Note"). In addition, NRF Holdco distributed approximately \$35 million of cash to the Company prior to closing. The Seller Note, which is classified as held for investment and carried at fair value under the fair value option, matures five years from closing of the sale, accruing paid-in-kind interest at 5.35% per annum. The sale included the acquirer's assumption of \$2.57 billion of consolidated investment level debt on various healthcare portfolios in which the Company owned between 69.6% and 81.3%, and \$293.7 million of debt at NRF Holdco.
- Other**—operations of substantially all of the Company's OED investments and Other IM business that were previously in the Other segment prior to sale of the Company's equity interests and subsequent deconsolidation of these subsidiaries in December 2021. The OED investments and Other IM business are composed of various non-digital real estate, real estate-related equity and debt investments, general partner interests and management rights with respect to these assets, and underlying compensation and administrative costs for managing these assets. Also included in discontinued operations are the economics related to the management of BRSP prior to termination of its management contract in April 2021.
- Hotel**—operations of the Company's Hospitality segment and the THL Hotel Portfolio that was previously in the Other segment. In March 2021, the Company sold 100% of the equity in its hotel subsidiaries holding five of the six portfolios in the Hospitality segment, and the Company's 55.6% interest in the THL Hotel Portfolio which was deconsolidated upon sale. The remaining hotel portfolio that was in receivership was sold by the lender in September 2021.

Income (loss) from discontinued operations is presented below.

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
<b>Revenues</b>			
Property operating income	\$ 69,202	\$ 737,282	\$ 1,217,236
Fee income	9,797	58,197	94,399
Interest income	1,075	19,143	73,345
Other income	10,338	29,037	29,450
<b>Revenues from discontinued operations</b>	<b>90,412</b>	<b>843,659</b>	<b>1,414,430</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Property operating expense	36,669	462,896	799,850
Interest expense	112,947	256,567	353,577
Transaction-related costs and investment expense	21,540	38,820	70,993
Depreciation and amortization	2,339	96,860	337,262
Impairment loss	35,985	317,405	2,556,051
Compensation and administrative expense	38,704	109,620	100,011
<b>Expenses from discontinued operations</b>	<b>248,184</b>	<b>1,282,168</b>	<b>4,217,744</b>
<b>Other income (loss)</b>			
Gain on sale of real estate	—	49,429	41,922
Other gain (loss), net	14,490	72,617	(194,860)
Equity method losses	(8,170)	(233,725)	(203,399)
<b>Loss from discontinued operations before income taxes</b>	<b>(151,452)</b>	<b>(550,188)</b>	<b>(3,159,651)</b>

Income tax benefit (expense)	2,748	(49,900)	(39,671)
<b>Loss from discontinued operations</b>	<b>(148,704)</b>	<b>(600,088)</b>	<b>(3,199,322)</b>
Loss from discontinued operations attributable to:			
Noncontrolling interests in investment entities	(29,145)	(337,685)	(712,771)
Noncontrolling interests in Operating Company	(9,466)	(24,945)	(246,540)
<b>Loss from discontinued operations attributable to DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (110,093)</b>	<b>\$ (237,458)</b>	<b>\$ (2,240,011)</b>

### 23. 19. Subsequent Events

Other than as disclosed elsewhere, no No subsequent events have occurred that would require recognition in the consolidated financial statements or disclosure in the accompanying notes.

### DigitalBridge Group, Inc. Schedule III—Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation December 31, 2022

(Amounts in thousands)	Initial Cost				Gross Cost Basis (2)				Net Carrying		Date of
	Encumbrances	Land	Buildings and Improvements (1)	Costs Capitalized	Land	Buildings and Improvements (1)	Total	Accumulated Depreciation (3)	Amount (4)	Acquisition or Construction	
Data Centers—Colocation											
Owned											
Atlanta, GA ATL 2 & 3	\$ 49,622	\$ 1,467	\$ 73,640	\$ 40,153	\$ 1,467	\$ 113,793	\$ 115,260	\$ (12,970)	\$ 102,290	2020	
Denver, CO DEN 1	29,136	2,405	41,695	10,754	2,405	52,449	54,854	(5,713)	49,141	2020	
Westminster, CO DEN 4	9,433	992	13,286	642	992	13,928	14,920	(1,459)	13,461	2020	
Denver, CO DEN 5 <sup>(S)</sup>	9,775	1,690	13,106	12,524	1,690	25,630	27,320	—	27,320	2021	
Dallas, TX DFW 4	31,666	1,896	46,034	2,294	1,896	48,328	50,224	(7,016)	43,208	2020	
Washington, DC IAD 3 <sup>(S)</sup>	8,336	12,618	—	166,584	12,618	166,584	179,202	—	179,202	2021	
New York, NY LGA 3 <sup>(S)</sup>	15,661	23,704	—	14,900	23,704	14,900	38,604	—	38,604	2021	
Irvine, CA SNA 1	33,611	10,574	40,300	6,454	10,574	46,754	57,328	(6,007)	51,321	2020	
Atlanta, GA ATL 1	80,528	—	75,594	17,451	—	93,045	93,045	(16,246)	76,799	2019	
Atlanta, GA ATL 4 <sup>(S)</sup>	—	2,728	—	9,443	2,728	9,443	12,171	—	12,171	2021	
Denver, CO DEN 2	—	4,458	52,295	1,951	4,458	54,246	58,704	(7,168)	51,536	2022	
Plano, TX DFW 3	202,538	12,039	58,097	29,345	12,039	87,442	99,481	(12,646)	86,835	2019	
Minneapolis, MN MSP 3	—	5,116	—	50,057	5,116	50,057	55,173	(1,798)	53,375	2020	
Overland Park, KS KC 2	50,553	453	58,394	2,163	453	60,557	61,010	(12,798)	48,212	2019	
Lenexa, KS KC 3	70,547	884	15,089	15,243	884	30,332	31,216	(970)	30,246	2019	
North Fayette, PA PIT 2	51,872	1,555	36,682	22,170	1,555	58,852	60,407	(10,937)	49,470	2019	
Bluffdale, UT SLC 2	87,912	3,729	95,689	5,322	3,729	101,011	104,740	(20,899)	83,841	2019	
Bluffdale, UT SLC 3	96,128	2,699	106,464	5,843	2,699	112,307	115,006	(23,329)	91,677	2019	
Bluffdale, UT SLC 4	49,300	1,491	52,862	3,647	1,491	56,509	58,000	(10,983)	47,017	2019	
Bluffdale, UT SLC 5	78,938	3,104	32,485	51,937	3,104	84,422	87,526	(12,243)	75,283	2019	
Bluffdale, UT SLC 6	—	4,064	—	133,355	4,064	133,355	137,419	(1,203)	136,216	2019	
Houston, TX HOU 1	102,595	6,443	230,441	1,328	6,443	231,769	238,212	(15,669)	222,543	2022	
Houston, TX HOU 2	74,934	4,970	165,931	866	4,970	166,797	171,767	(9,224)	162,543	2022	
Houston, TX HOU 3	60,492	15,260	120,274	778	15,260	121,052	136,312	(5,096)	131,216	2022	
Houston, TX HOU 4	4,583	9,942	—	—	9,942	—	9,942	—	9,942	2022	
Houston, TX HOU 5	19,895	5,898	39,189	307	5,898	39,496	45,394	(2,240)	43,154	2022	
Leased											
Waco, TX ACT 1	6,697	—	10,137	797	—	10,934	10,934	(1,798)	9,136	2020	
Austin, TX AUS 1	2,298	—	3,478	471	—	3,949	3,949	(645)	3,304	2020	
Boston, MA BOS 1	4,005	—	6,062	259	—	6,321	6,321	(1,061)	5,260	2020	

Denver, CO DEN 3	12,081	—	18,286	894	—	19,180	19,180	(3,196)	15,984	2020
Dallas, TX DFW 5	7,091	—	10,733	1,316	—	12,049	12,049	(1,945)	10,104	2020
Dallas, TX DFW 6	4,333	—	6,559	252	—	6,811	6,811	(1,146)	5,665	2020
Dallas, TX DFW 7	6,697	—	10,137	803	—	10,940	10,940	(1,818)	9,122	2020

(Amounts in thousands)	Initial Cost				Gross Cost Basis (2)			Net Carrying		Date of
	Encumbrances	Buildings and		Costs	Buildings and		Accumulated	Amount	Acquisition or	
		Land	Improvements (1)	Capitalized	Land	Improvements (1)	Total	Depreciation (3)	(4)	Construction
Newark, NJ EWR 1	14,314	—	21,665	1,463	—	23,128	23,128	(3,850)	19,278	2020
Piscataway, NJ EWR 2	15,561	—	23,553	1,875	—	25,428	25,428	(4,122)	21,306	2020
Ashburn, VA IAD 1	62,376	—	94,412	9,468	—	103,880	103,880	(16,986)	86,894	2020
McLean, VA IAD 2	7,249	—	10,972	2,019	—	12,991	12,991	(2,031)	10,960	2020
Las Vegas, NV LAS 1	16,349	—	24,746	18,533	—	43,279	43,279	(6,242)	37,037	2020
Las Angeles, CA LAX 1	13,132	—	19,876	1,164	—	21,040	21,040	(3,474)	17,566	2020
New York, NY LGA 1	9,520	—	14,410	5,804	—	20,214	20,214	(2,901)	17,313	2020
New York, NY LGA 2	10,571	—	16,000	1,109	—	17,109	17,109	(2,823)	14,286	2020
Memphis, TN MEM 1	2,889	—	4,373	1,394	—	5,767	5,767	(877)	4,890	2020
Miami, FL MIA 1	9,652	—	14,609	5,164	—	19,773	19,773	(2,890)	16,883	2020
Minneapolis, MN MSP 4	4,530	—	6,857	80	—	6,937	6,937	(1,183)	5,754	2020
Chicago, IL ORD 1	7,879	—	11,926	1,377	—	13,303	13,303	(2,176)	11,127	2020
Chicago, IL ORD 2	12,081	—	18,286	828	—	19,114	19,114	(3,232)	15,882	2020
Mount Prospect, IL ORD 3	12,410	—	18,783	2,457	—	21,240	21,240	(3,410)	17,830	2020
Chicago, IL ORD 4	59,754	—	90,443	5,074	—	95,517	95,517	(15,969)	79,548	2020
Philadelphia, PA PHL 1	3,808	—	5,764	410	—	6,174	6,174	(1,026)	5,148	2020
Phoenix, AZ PHX 1,2 & 3	6,369	—	9,640	306	—	9,946	9,946	(1,677)	8,269	2020
San Diego, CA SAN 1	9,915	—	15,007	18,622	—	33,629	33,629	(3,327)	30,302	2020
San Diego, CA SAN 2	361	—	547	261	—	808	808	(114)	694	2020
Seattle, WA SEA 1	3,940	—	5,963	500	—	6,463	6,463	(1,068)	5,395	2020
Tukwila, WA SEA 2	6,041	—	9,143	3,736	—	12,879	12,879	(1,792)	11,087	2020
Santa Clara, CA SFO 1	20,420	—	30,907	925	—	31,832	31,832	(5,386)	26,446	2020
Irvine, CA SNA 2	22,652	—	34,286	35,236	—	69,522	69,522	(6,169)	63,353	2020
Feltham, UK LHR 1	20,551	—	31,106	93	—	31,199	31,199	(5,369)	25,830	2020
Paris, France PAR 1	6,970	—	10,549	1,365	—	11,914	11,914	(1,725)	10,189	2021
Saint-Denis, France PAR 2	2,217	—	3,356	—	—	3,356	3,356	(493)	2,863	2021
Vélizy-Villacoublay, France PAR 3	4,815	—	7,288	8,066	—	15,354	15,354	(1,567)	13,787	2021
Montpellier, France MPL 1	1,584	—	2,397	236	—	2,633	2,633	(380)	2,253	2021
Balma, France TLS 1	1,647	—	2,493	626	—	3,119	3,119	(448)	2,671	2021
Lenexa, KS KC 1	9,979	—	5,286	5,859	—	11,145	11,145	(1,628)	9,517	2019
Salt Lake City, UT SLC 1	16,705	—	9,144	9,297	—	18,441	18,441	(2,510)	15,931	2019
Baltimore, MD BWI 1	—	—	16,002	970	—	16,972	16,972	(4,789)	12,183	2019
Cleveland, OH CLE 1	8,273	—	10,348	194	—	10,542	10,542	(2,652)	7,890	2019
Dallas, TX DFW 1	78,881	—	93,453	6,880	—	100,333	100,333	(25,105)	75,228	2019
Richardson, TX DFW 2	25,852	—	28,756	3,853	—	32,609	32,609	(7,954)	24,655	2019

(Amounts in thousands)	Initial Cost	Costs	Gross Cost Basis (2)	Accumulated	Net Carrying	Date of
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		Buildings and		Capitalized	Buildings and			Depreciation (3)	Amount	Acquisition or
	Encumbrances	Land	Improvements (1)		Land	Improvements (1)	Total		(4)	Construction
Indianapolis, IN IND 1 & IND 2	58,715	—	19,747	13,219	—	32,966	32,966	(7,793)	25,173	2019
Edina, MN MSP 1	7,555	—	9,113	481	—	9,594	9,594	(2,389)	7,205	2019
Eagan, MN MSP 2	41,426	—	48,762	2,421	—	51,183	51,183	(11,675)	39,508	2019
Pittsburgh, PA PIT 1	31,988	—	37,128	2,951	—	40,079	40,079	(9,572)	30,507	2019
<b>Data Centers—Hyperscale</b>										
<i>Owned</i>										
Santa Clara, CA 11	346,568	30,327	445,334	5,736	30,327	451,070	481,397	(47,244)	434,153	2020
Santa Clara, CA 12	294,952	12,026	298,042	2,163	12,026	300,205	312,231	(36,821)	275,410	2020
Santa Clara, CA 13	98,317	10,276	115,031	2,302	10,275	117,334	127,609	(13,685)	113,924	2020
Santa Clara, CA 14	98,317	8,813	122,892	2,461	8,813	125,353	134,166	(14,756)	119,410	2020
Santa Clara, CA 15	270,372	15,459	409,419	16,136	15,459	425,555	441,014	(44,947)	396,067	2020
Santa Clara, CA 16	147,476	8,148	171,634	113	8,148	171,747	179,895	(21,169)	158,726	2020
Santa Clara, CA 21	322,542	11,394	326,807	4,283	11,394	331,090	342,484	(35,620)	306,864	2020
Santa Clara, CA 22	368,619	12,258	379,417	41	12,258	379,458	391,716	(20,049)	371,667	2021
Quincy, WA 11	94,021	1,742	151,754	3,302	1,742	155,056	156,798	(23,844)	132,954	2020
Quincy, WA 12	236,846	1,967	179,865	26,469	1,967	206,334	208,301	(21,355)	186,946	2020
Montreal, Canada 11	90,556	2,445	208,639	37,016	2,445	245,655	248,100	(18,748)	229,352	2020
Quebec City, Canada 21	125,470	900	136,277	6,755	900	143,032	143,932	(16,515)	127,417	2020
Quebec City, Canada 22	229,489	1,655	278,054	11,551	1,655	289,605	291,260	(30,688)	260,572	2020
<b>Total real estate</b>	<b>\$ 4,633,733</b>	<b>\$ 257,589</b>	<b>\$ 5,493,200</b>	<b>\$ 902,947</b>	<b>\$ 257,588</b>	<b>\$ 6,396,148</b>	<b>\$ 6,653,736</b>	<b>\$ (732,438)</b>	<b>\$ 5,921,298</b>	

(1) Includes construction in progress and data center infrastructure.

(2) Presented net of impairment of real estate, where applicable.

(3) Depreciation is calculated using useful life ranging from 5 to 40 years for site improvements, 5 to 50 years for buildings, 5 to 40 years for building improvements, and 5 to 30 years for data center infrastructure.

(4) The aggregate gross cost of real estate for federal income tax purposes was approximately \$3.8 billion at December 31, 2022.

(5) Represents construction or data center build-out that are in progress.

The following tables summarize the activity in real estate and accumulated depreciation:

(In thousands)	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021	2020
<b>Real Estate, at Gross Cost Basis</b>			
Balance at January 1	\$ 8,777,385	\$ 14,028,516	\$ 12,702,355
Asset acquisitions and business combinations	1,130,735	572,738	3,650,180
Measurement period adjustments for real estate acquired in business combinations	—	—	(8,405)
Foreclosures and exchanges of loans receivable for real estate	—	—	124,335
Improvements and capitalized costs (1)	523,049	325,281	180,787
Dispositions (2)	(3,720,789)	(5,744,919)	(869,776)
Impairment (Note 21)	(34,990)	(316,135)	(1,878,012)
Effect of changes in foreign exchange rates	(21,654)	(88,096)	127,052
Balance at December 31	6,653,736	8,777,385	14,028,516
Classified as held for disposition, net (3)	—	(3,413,018)	(9,458,467)
Balance at December 31, held for investment	\$ 6,653,736	\$ 5,364,367	\$ 4,570,049
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>			
Balance at January 1	\$ 725,685	\$ 1,397,627	\$ 1,042,422

Depreciation	350,732	345,769	420,209
Dispositions <sup>(2)</sup>	(339,460)	(1,010,599)	(74,692)
Effect of changes in foreign exchange rates	(4,519)	(7,112)	9,688
Balance at December 31	732,438	725,685	1,397,627
Classified as held for disposition, net <sup>(3)</sup>	—	(333,602)	(1,279,443)
Balance at December 31, held for investment	\$ 732,438	\$ 392,083	\$ 118,184

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes transaction costs capitalized for asset acquisitions.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes amounts classified as held for disposition during the year and disposed before the end of the year.

<sup>(3)</sup> Amounts classified as held for disposition during the year and remain as held for disposition at the end of the year. Includes amounts retrospectively classified as held for disposition in connection with discontinued operations.

## Item 16. Form 10-K Summary

None.

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
<b>3.1*</b> <b>3.1</b>	<a href="#">Restated Charter of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 7, 2022 August 4, 2023).</a>
<b>3.2</b>	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Bylaws of DigitalBridge Group, Inc., effective August 1, 2023 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit <b>3.2</b> 3.2 to the Company's Current Company's Quarterly Report on Form 8-K 10-Q filed on June 23, 2024 August 4, 2023).</a>
<b>3.3</b>	<a href="#">Articles Supplementary designating 7.15% Series I Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, par value \$0.01 per share (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Form 8-A filed on June 5, 2017)</a>
<b>3.4</b>	<a href="#">Articles Supplementary designating 7.125% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, par value \$0.01 per share (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to Colony NorthStar, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on September 22, 2017)</a>
<b>4.1</b>	<a href="#">Form of stock certificate evidencing the 7.125% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, par value \$0.01 per share (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on September 22, 2017).</a>
<b>4.2</b>	<a href="#">Form of stock certificate evidencing the 7.15% Series I Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, par value \$0.01 per share (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on June 5, 2017).</a>
<b>4.3</b>	<a href="#">Indenture, dated as of April 10, 2013, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Financial, Inc.) and The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Colony Financial, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 10, 2013).</a>
<b>4.4</b>	<a href="#">First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 10, 2013, by and between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Financial, Inc.) and The Bank of New York Mellon (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Colony Capital, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 10, 2013).</a>
<b>4.5</b>	<a href="#">Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of January 10, 2017, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony NorthStar, Inc.) and The Bank of New York Mellon (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 10, 2017).</a>
<b>4.6*</b> <b>4.5*</b>	<a href="#">Description of Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934</a>
<b>4.7</b> <b>4.6</b>	<a href="#">Form of Class A Common Stock Purchase Warrant of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 24, 2022)</a>
<b>4.8</b> <b>4.7</b>	<a href="#">Indenture, dated as of July 21, 2020, among DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Capital, Inc.) and The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 23, 2020).</a>
<b>4.9</b> <b>4.8</b>	<a href="#">Form of 5.75% Exchangeable Senior Notes due 2025 (included in Exhibit <b>4.8</b> 4.7)</a>
<b>4.10</b> <b>4.9</b>	<a href="#">Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of July 21, 2020, by and among DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Capital, Inc.) and the initial purchasers party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 23, 2020).</a>

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#### 4.11 Exhibit

Number	Description
4.10	<a href="#">Base Indenture, dated as of July 9, 2021, by and among DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC, DigitalBridge Co-Issuer, LLC, together as Co-Issuers, certain indirect and direct subsidiaries of the Co-Issuers and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2021)</a>
4.12 4.11	<a href="#">First Amendment to Base Indenture, dated as of April 1, 2022, by and among DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC, DigitalBridge Co-Issuer, LLC, together as Co-Issuers, certain indirect and direct subsidiaries of the Co-Issuers and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 5, 2022)</a>
4.13 4.12	<a href="#">Series 2021-1 Supplement to Base Indenture, dated as of July 9, 2021, by and between DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Issuer, LLC, together as Co-Issuers of the Series 2021-1 secured fund fee revenue notes, Class A-2, and Series 2021-1 variable funding senior notes, Class A-1, certain indirect and direct subsidiaries of the Co-Issuers and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2021)</a>
4.14 4.13	<a href="#">Amendment No. 1 to Series 2021-1 Supplement to Base Indenture, dated as of April 1, 2022, by and among DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Issuer, LLC, together as Co-Issuers, certain indirect and direct subsidiaries of the Co-Issuers and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 5, 2022)</a>
<b>Certain Instruments defining the rights of holders of long-term debt securities of the Registrant and its subsidiaries are omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(4)(iii) of Regulation S-K. The Registrant hereby undertakes to furnish to the SEC, upon request, copies of any such instruments.</b>	
10.1	<a href="#">Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 10, 2017)</a>
10.2	<a href="#">Amendment No. 1 to the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), dated as of June 23, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 9, 2017)</a>
10.3	<a href="#">Amendment No. 2 to the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), dated as of October 13, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 9, 2017)</a>

Exhibit Number	Description
10.4	<a href="#">Amendment No. 3 to the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), dated as of October 18, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 9, 2017)</a>
10.5	<a href="#">Amendment No. 4 to the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), dated as of November 5, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 9, 2018)</a>
10.6	<a href="#">Amendment No. 5 to the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC), dated as of July 1, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on August 9, 2021)</a>
10.7†	<a href="#">DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated on August 22, 2022 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 22, 2022)</a>
10.8	<a href="#">Form of Indemnification Agreement, by and between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony NorthStar, Inc.) and the Officers and Directors of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K12B filed on January 10, 2017)</a>
10.9†	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 9, 2022, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and Ronald M. Sanders (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 22, 2022)</a>
10.10†	<a href="#">Employment Agreement, dated as of July 25, 2019, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Capital, Inc.) and Marc Ganzi (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 30, 2019)</a>
10.11†	<a href="#">Form of Restricted Stock Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 9, 2022)</a>
10.12† 10.10†	<a href="#">Form of Performance Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 9, 2022)</a>
10.13 10.11	<a href="#">Investment Agreement, dated as of July 7, 2020, by and among Colony Valhalla Partners I-A Holdings, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, Colony Valhalla Partners I-B Holdings, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, Colony Valhalla Partners II Holdings, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, CBRE Caledon Valhalla Aggregator Holdings LP, a Delaware limited partnership and Vantage Data Centers Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 13, 2020)</a>
10.14	<a href="#">Agreement of Purchase and Sale, dated as of April 14, 2022, by and among DigitalBridge Digital IM Holdco, LLC, Wafra Strategic Holdings LP, W-Catalina (B) LLC, W-Catalina (S) LLC, W-Catalina (C) LLC, and, solely with respect to certain sections, DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 18, 2022)</a>
10.15 10.12	<a href="#">Termination Agreement, dated as of May 23, 2022, by and among DigitalBridge Management Holdings, LLC, DigitalBridge Digital IM Holdco, LLC, DigitalBridge IM Manager, LLC, DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC, DigitalBridge Group, Inc., Colony DCP (C) Bermuda, LP, Marc Ganzi, Ben Jenkins, W-Catalina (C) LLC and W-Catalina (S) LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 24, 2022)</a>
10.16	<a href="#">Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of May 23, 2022, by and between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and Wafra Strategic Holdings LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 24, 2022)</a>
10.17 10.13	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Carried Interest Participation Agreement, dated as of May 23, 2022, by and among Colony DCP (C) Bermuda, LP, Colony DCP (C) GP, LLC, DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC, DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and W-Catalina (C) LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 24, 2022)</a>
10.18† 10.14†	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Restrictive Covenant Agreement, dated as of July 17, 2020, by and between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Capital, Inc.) and Marc Ganzi (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 23, 2020)</a>
10.19 10.15†	<a href="#">Joinder and Amendment to Letter Employment Agreement, dated as of July 22, 2020, July 25, 2019, by between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Capital, Inc.) and among Digital Bridge Holdings, LLC, CC Valhalla Investor, LLC, Marc Ganzi Benjamin Jenkins and the other parties named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Current Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2020 8-K filed on July 30, 2019)</a>
10.20 10.16†	<a href="#">Assignment and Contribution Agreement, dated as of July 22, 2020, by and among Marc Ganzi, Benjamin Jenkins, MCG Analog, LLC, the Ganzi Extended Family Trust, BJJ Analog, LLC, DB Aviator Manager Rollover Holdings, L.P., DCR YieldCo Holdings, LP and DCR and Aviator Holdings GP, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2020)</a>
10.21	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Partnership Agreement of DB Aviator Manager Rollover Holdings, L.P., dated as of July 22, 2020, by and among Colony Valhalla GP, LLC, Colony Capital Acquisitions, LLC, MCG Analog, LLC, Ganzi Extended Family Trust, BJJ Analog, LLC and Valhalla Management Holdings, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2020)</a>
10.22†	<a href="#">Second Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of September 27, 2022, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and Jacky Wu (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 3, 2022)</a>
10.23† 10.17†	<a href="#">Employment Agreement, dated as of May 5, 2021 November 13, 2023, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Capital, Inc.) and Sonia Kim Jacky Wu (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Current Report on Form 10-Q 8-K filed on May 10, 2021 November 16, 2023)</a>
10.24† 10.18†	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of March 28, 2022, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and Benjamin J. Jenkins (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 9, 2022)</a>
10.25† 10.19†	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of March 28, 2022, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and Liam Stewart (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 9, 2022)</a>

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**10.26 Exhibit**

Number	Description
10.20†	<a href="#">Registration Rights</a> Employment Agreement, dated as of <a href="#">January 31, 2018</a> August 22, 2023, between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and Geoffrey Goldschein (incorporated by reference Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 3, 2023)
10.21†	Employment Agreement between the Company and <a href="#">among BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (f/k/a Colony NorthStar Credit Real Estate), Inc., DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC) and NRF RED REIT Corp.</a> Thomas Mayrhofer, dated as of November 27, 2023 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit <a href="#">10.3</a> to <a href="#">10.1</a> the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on <a href="#">February 1, 2018</a> December 4, 2023)
10.27 10.22†	Description of Early Bonus Payment for Chief Executive Officer (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 4, 2023)
10.23†	Amended and Restated <a href="#">Stockholders</a> Employment Agreement, dated as of <a href="#">April 30, 2021</a> December 9, 2022, by between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and between BrightSpire Capital, Inc. (f/k/a Colony Credit Real Estate, Inc.) and DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC (f/k/a Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC) Ronald M. Sanders (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on <a href="#">May 4, 2021</a> December 22, 2022)

<b>Exhibit</b>	<a href="#">First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and Ronald M. Sanders, dated as of April 24, 2023 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit</a>
<b>Number 10.24†</b>	<a href="#">10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 4, 2023)</a>
<b>10.28 10.25</b>	<a href="#">Class A-1 Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 9, 2021, by and among DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Issuer, LLC, together as Co-Issuers, each of DigitalBridge Holdings 1, LLC, DigitalBridge Holdings 2, LLC and DigitalBridge Holdings 3, LLC, DigitalBridge Guarantor, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Guarantor, LLC, as Co-Guarantors, Colony Capital Investment Holdco, LLC, as Manager, the conduit investors party thereto, the financial institutions party thereto, certain funding agents, and Barclays Bank PLC, as L/C Provider and Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2021)</a>
<b>10.29 10.26</b>	<a href="#">Amendment No. 1 Class A-1 Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2022, by and among DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Issuer, LLC, together as Co-Issuers, each of DigitalBridge Holdings 1, LLC, DigitalBridge Holdings 2, LLC and DigitalBridge Holdings 3, LLC, together as Asset Entities, DigitalBridge Guarantor, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Guarantor, LLC, together as Co-Guarantors, DigitalBridge Investment Holdco, LLC, as Manager, the conduit investors party thereto, the financial institutions party thereto, certain funding agents, and Barclays Bank PLC, as L/C Provider and Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 5, 2022)</a>
<b>10.30 10.27</b>	<a href="#">The Guarantee and Security Agreement, dated as of July 9, 2021, between DigitalBridge Guarantor, LLC and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2021)</a>
<b>10.31 10.28</b>	<a href="#">The Guarantee and Security Agreement, dated as of July 9, 2021, between DigitalBridge Co-Guarantor, LLC and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2021)</a>
<b>10.32 10.29</b>	<a href="#">Management Agreement, dated as of July 9, 2021, by and among DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Issuer, LLC, together as Co-Issuers, each of DigitalBridge Holdings 1, LLC, DigitalBridge Holdings 2, LLC and DigitalBridge Holdings 3, LLC, DigitalBridge Guarantor, LLC and DigitalBridge Co-Guarantor, LLC, as Co-Guarantors, and Colony Capital Investment Holdco, LLC, as Manager (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2021)</a>
<b>10.33 10.30</b>	<a href="#">Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated September 6, 2021, between DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC and CWP Bidco LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 10, 2021)</a>
<b>10.34</b>	<a href="#">Amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated February 28, 2022, between DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC and CWP Bidco LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 3, 2022)</a>
<b>10.35</b>	<a href="#">Agreement for Sale and Purchase, dated March 25, 2022, between Telenet Group Holding NV and DB SAF Pillar Holdings, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on March 31, 2022)</a>
<b>10.36</b>	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Equity Purchase Agreement, by and among AMP Group Holdings Limited, AMP Capital Investors International Holdings Limited, DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC and DigitalBridge Investment Holdco, LLC, dated as of December 19, 2022 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 22, 2022)</a>
<b>21.1*</b>	<a href="#">List of Subsidiaries of DigitalBridge Group, Inc.</a>
<b>23.1*</b>	<a href="#">Consent of Ernst &amp; Young LLP</a>
<b>31.1*</b>	<a href="#">Certification of Marc C. Ganzl, Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</a>
<b>31.2*</b>	<a href="#">Certification of Jacky Wu, Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</a>
<b>32.1*</b>	<a href="#">Certification of Marc C. Ganzl, Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</a>
<b>32.2*</b>	<a href="#">Certification of Jacky Wu, Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</a>
<b>97*</b>	<a href="#">Executive Compensation Clawback Policy, adopted October 27, 2023</a>
<b>101.INS**</b>	XBRL Instance Document
<b>101.SCH</b>	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
<b>101.CAL</b>	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
<b>101.LAB</b>	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
<b>101.PRE</b>	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase
<b>101.DEF</b>	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
<b>104**</b>	Cover Page Interactive Data File

†Denotes a management contract or compensatory plan contract or arrangement.

\* Filed herewith.

\*\* The document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.

\*\*\* Schedules and exhibits to such agreement have been omitted from this filing pursuant to Item 601(a)(5) of Regulation S-K. The Registrant will furnish copies of such schedules and exhibits to the SEC upon request.

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: February 27, 2023 February 23, 2024

DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marc C. Ganzi  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Jacky Wu and Ronald M. Sanders Geoffrey Goldschein and each of them severally, her or his true and lawful attorney-in-fact with power of substitution and re-substitution to sign in her or his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to do any and all things and execute any and all instruments that such attorney may deem necessary or advisable under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and any rules, regulations and requirements of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with this Annual Report on Form 10-K and any and all amendments hereto, as fully for all intents and purposes as she or he might or could do in person, and hereby ratifies and confirms all said attorneys-in-fact and agents, each acting alone, and her or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below on behalf of the Registrant in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
_____ Marc C. Ganzi	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ Jacky Wu	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ Sonia Kim	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	February 27, 2023
_____ Nancy A. Curtin	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ J. Braxton Carter James Keith Brown	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ Jeannie H. Diefenderfer	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ Jon A. Fosheim	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ Gregory J. McCray	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ Sháka Rasheed	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ Dale Anne Reiss	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024
_____ David M. Tolley	Director	February 27, 2023 23, 2024

This restated charter of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. is a composite charter that includes prior amendments to reflect the name change of the Corporation and has not been approved by the board of directors of the Corporation or filed with the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation.

**DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**

**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT**

DigitalBridge Group, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), hereby certifies to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland that:

**FIRST:** The charter of the Corporation is hereby amended to provide that, immediately upon the Effective Time (as defined below), every four shares of Class A common stock (the "Class A Common Stock"), \$0.01 par value per share, of the Corporation which were issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall be combined into one issued and outstanding share of Class A Common Stock, \$0.04 par value per share, of the Corporation. Upon the Effective Time, no fractional shares of Class A Common Stock of the Corporation will be or remain issued and each stockholder otherwise entitled to a fractional share shall be entitled to receive in lieu thereof cash from the disposition of such fractional shares as provided herein. The Corporation shall arrange for the disposition of fractional shares (other than outstanding restricted shares of the Class A Common Stock issued pursuant to the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan) by the mechanism of having the transfer agent of the Corporation (x) aggregate such fractional shares into whole shares, (y) sell the shares resulting from the aggregation on the open market and (z) make a cash payment to stockholders otherwise entitled to fractional shares equal to the stockholder's *pro-rata* share of the total proceeds of such sales, without interest thereon. With respect to outstanding restricted shares of the Class A Common Stock issued pursuant to the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan, any fractional share of Class A Common Stock resulting from the amendment effected hereby shall be rounded up or down to the nearest whole share of Class A Common Stock, as the case may be.

**SECOND:** As provided in Section 6.3.3 of the Articles of Amendment and Restatement, filed on January 10, 2017 at 1:30 p.m., as amended, the outstanding Class B Common Stock is automatically combined in the same proportion as the outstanding Class A Common Stock set forth in Article FIRST above. Upon the Effective Time, no fractional shares of Class B Common Stock of the Corporation will be or remain issued and each stockholder otherwise entitled to a fractional share shall be entitled to receive in lieu thereof cash from the disposition of such fractional shares.

**THIRD:** The amendment to the charter of the Corporation as set forth above has been duly approved by at least a majority of the entire Board of Directors of the Corporation as required by law. The amendment set forth herein is made without action by the stockholders of the Corporation, pursuant to Section 2-309(e) of the Maryland Corporations and Associations Code.

**FOURTH:** These Articles of Amendment shall become effective as of 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on August 22, 2022 (the "Effective Time").

**FIFTH:** The undersigned acknowledges these Articles of Amendment to be the corporate act of the Corporation and as to all matters or facts required to be verified under oath, the undersigned acknowledges that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, these matters and facts are true in all material respects and that this statement is made under the penalties for perjury.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be signed in its name and on its behalf by its Chief Financial Officer and attested to by its Secretary on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.

ATTEST

DIGITALBRIDGE GROUP, INC.

/s/ Ronald M. Sanders

Name: Ronald M. Sanders

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer & Secretary

/s/ Jacky Wu

Name: Jacky Wu

Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

**COLONY CAPITAL, INC.**

**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**FIRST** The charter of Colony Capital, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the Corporation"), is hereby amended by deleting existing Article II in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof a new article to read as follows:

**ARTICLE II**

**NAME**

The name of the corporation (the "Corporation") is

DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

**SECOND** The amendment to the charter of the Corporation as set forth above has been duly approved by at least a majority of the entire Board of Directors of the Corporation as required by law. The amendment set forth herein is made without action by the stockholders of the Corporation, pursuant to Section 2-605(a)(1) of the Maryland General Corporation Law.

**THIRD** These Articles of Amendment shall become effective as of 4:00 p.m. Eastern time on June 21, 2021.

**FOURTH** The undersigned acknowledges these Articles of Amendment to be the corporate act of the Corporation and as to all matters or facts required to be verified under oath, the undersigned acknowledges that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, these matters and facts are true in all material respects and that this statement is made under the penalties for perjury.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be signed in its name and on its behalf by its Chief Financial Officer and President and attested to by its Secretary on this 21st day of June, 2021.

ATTEST

COLONY CAPITAL, INC.

/s/ Ronald M. Sanders

Name: Ronald M. Sanders

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer & Secretary

/s/ Jacky Wu

Name: Jacky Wu

Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

**COLONY NORTHSTAR, INC.**  
**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**FIRST** The charter of Colony Northstar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), is hereby amended by deleting existing Article II in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof a new article to read as follows:

**ARTICLE II**

**NAME**

The name of the corporation (the "Corporation") is

Colony Capital, Inc.

**SECOND** The amendment to the charter of the Corporation as set forth above has been duly approved by at least a majority of the entire Board of Directors of the Corporation as required by law. The amendment set forth herein is made without action by the stockholders of the Corporation, pursuant to Section 2-605(a)(1) of the Maryland General Corporation Law.

**THIRD** These Articles of Amendment shall become effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern time on June 25, 2018.

**FOURTH** The undersigned acknowledges these Articles of Amendment to be the corporate act of the Corporation and as to all matters or facts required to be verified under oath, the undersigned acknowledges that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, these matters and facts are true in all material respects and that this statement is made under the penalties for perjury.

[Signature Page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be signed in its name and on its behalf by its Chief Executive Officer and President and attested to by its Secretary on this 22nd day of June, 2018.



ATTEST

COLONY NORTHSTAR, INC.

/s/ Ronald M. Sanders

Name: Ronald M. Sanders

Title: Secretary

/s/ Richard B. Saltzman

Name: Richard B. Saltzman

Title: Chief Executive Officer & President

Signature Page to Articles of Amendment

**COLONY NORTHSTAR, INC.**

**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT**

**FIRST:** Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), desires to amend and restate its charter as currently in effect and as hereinafter amended.

**SECOND:** The following provisions and Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H (the "Exhibits") are all the provisions of the charter currently in effect and as hereinafter amended:

**ARTICLE I INCORPORATOR**

The undersigned, Ronald J. Lieberman, whose address is 399 Park Avenue, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10022, being at least 18 years of age, formed a corporation under the general laws of the State of Maryland on May 31, 2016.

**ARTICLE II NAME**

The name of the corporation (the "Corporation") is:  
Colony NorthStar, Inc.

**ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are to engage in any lawful act or activity (including, without limitation or obligation, engaging in business as a real estate investment trust under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any successor statute (the "Code")) for which corporations may be organized under the general laws of the State of Maryland as now or hereafter in force. For purposes of these Articles, "REIT" means a real estate investment trust under Sections 856 through 860 of the Code.

**ARTICLE IV**

**PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN STATE AND RESIDENT AGENT**

The address of the principal office of the Corporation in the State of Maryland is c/o CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service Company, 7 St. Paul Street, Suite 820, Baltimore, MD 21202. The name of the resident agent of the Corporation in the State of Maryland is CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service Company, whose post address is 7 St. Paul Street, Suite 820, Baltimore, MD 21202. The resident agent is a Maryland corporation.

**ARTICLE V**

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

Section 5.1 **Number of Directors.** The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors. The number of directors of the Corporation initially shall be ten, which number may be increased or decreased only by the Board of Directors pursuant to the Bylaws of the Corporation (the "Bylaws"), but shall never be less than the minimum number required by the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL"). The names of the directors who shall serve until the first annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualify are:

David T. Hamamoto Jon A. Fosheim Douglas Crocker II Thomas J. Barrack, Jr.

Nancy A Curtin George G. C. Parker John A. Somers John L. Steffens  
Charles W. Schoenherr Justin Metz

Any vacancy on the Board of Directors may be filled in the manner provided in the Bylaws. The Corporation may not elect to be subject to any provision contained in Subtitle 8 of Title 3 of the MGCL.

Section 5.2 Extraordinary Actions. Except as specifically provided in Article VIII, notwithstanding any provision of law permitting or requiring any action to be taken or approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders entitled to cast a greater number of votes, any such action shall be effective and valid if declared advisable by the Board of Directors and taken or approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter.

Section 5.3 Authorization by Board of Stock Issuance. The Board of Directors may authorize the issuance from time to time of shares of stock of the Corporation of any class or series, whether now or hereafter authorized, or securities or rights convertible into shares of its stock of any class or series, whether now or hereafter authorized, for such consideration as the Board of Directors may deem advisable (or without consideration in the case of a stock split or stock dividend), subject to such restrictions or limitations, if any, as may be set forth in the charter of the Corporation (the "Charter") or the Bylaws.

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Section 5.4 Preemptive Rights. Except as may be provided by the Board of Directors in setting the terms of classified or reclassified shares of stock pursuant to Section 6.6 or as may otherwise be provided by a contract approved by the Board of Directors, no holder of shares of stock of the Corporation shall, as such holder, have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any additional shares of stock of the Corporation or any other security of the Corporation which it may issue or sell.

Section 5.5 Indemnification. (a) The Corporation shall, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law in effect from time to time, indemnify, and pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to, (i) any individual who is a present or former director or officer of the Corporation or (ii) any individual who, while a director or officer of the Corporation and at the request of the Corporation, serves or has served as a director, officer, trustee, member, manager, employee, partner or agent of another corporation, real estate investment trust, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or any other enterprise from and against any claim or liability to which such person may become subject or which such person may incur by reason of his or her service in such capacity. The Corporation shall provide such indemnification and advancement of expenses to a person who served a predecessor of the Corporation in any of the capacities described in (i) or (ii) above and shall have the power, with the approval of the Board of Directors, to provide the same (or lesser) indemnification and advancement of expenses to any employee or agent of the Corporation or a predecessor of the Corporation. Any amendment of this Section 5.5(a) shall be prospective only and shall not affect the applicability of this section with respect to any act or failure to act that occurred prior to such amendment.

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(b) The Corporation may, to the fullest extent permitted by law, purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person described in the preceding paragraph against any liability which may be asserted against such person.

(c) The indemnification provided herein shall not be deemed to limit the right of the Corporation to indemnify any other person for any such expenses to the fullest extent permitted by law, nor shall it be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which any person seeking indemnification from the Corporation may be entitled under any agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise, both as to action in such person's official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office.

Section 5.6 Determinations by Board. The determination as to any of the following matters, made by or pursuant to the direction of the Board of Directors, shall be final and conclusive and shall be binding upon the Corporation and every holder of shares of its stock: the amount of the net income of the Corporation for any period and the amount of assets at any time legally available for the payment of dividends, acquisition of its stock or the payment of other distributions on its stock; the amount of paid-in surplus, net assets, other surplus, cash flow, funds from operations, adjusted funds from operations, net profit, net assets in excess of capital, undivided profits or excess of profits over losses on sales of assets; the amount, purpose, time of creation, increase or decrease, alteration or cancellation of any reserves or charges and the propriety thereof (whether or not any obligation or liability for which such reserves or charges shall have been created shall have been set aside, paid or discharged); any interpretation or resolution of any ambiguity with respect to any provision of the Charter (including any of the terms, preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers or rights, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications or terms or conditions of redemption of any

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shares of any class or series of stock of the Corporation) or of the Bylaws; the number of shares of stock of any class or series of the Corporation; the fair value, or any sale, bid or asked price to be applied in determining the fair value, of any asset owned or held by the Corporation or of any shares of stock of the Corporation; any matter relating to the acquisition, holding and disposition of any assets by the Corporation; any interpretation of the terms and conditions of one or more agreements with any person, corporation, association, company, trust, partnership (limited or general) or other entity; the compensation of directors, officers, employees or agents of the Corporation; or any other matter relating to the business and affairs of the Corporation or required or permitted by applicable law, the Charter or Bylaws or otherwise to be determined by the Board of Directors.

**Section 5.7 REIT Qualification.** If the Corporation elects to qualify for federal income tax treatment as a REIT, the Board of Directors shall use its reasonable best efforts to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to preserve the status of the Corporation as a REIT; however, if the Board of Directors determines that it is no longer in the best interests of the Corporation to attempt to, or continue to, qualify as a REIT, the Board of Directors may revoke or otherwise terminate the Corporation's REIT election pursuant to Section 856(g) of the Code. The Board of Directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, also may (a) determine that compliance with any restriction or limitation on stock ownership and transfers set forth in Article VII is no longer required for REIT qualification and (b) make any other determination or take any other action pursuant to Article VII.

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**Section 5.8 Removal of Directors.** Subject to the rights of holders of one or more classes or series of Preferred Stock to elect or remove one or more directors, any director, or the entire Board of Directors, may be removed from office at any time by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast generally in the election of directors.

**Section 5.9 Corporate Opportunities.** The Corporation shall have the power, by resolution of the Board of Directors, to renounce any interest or expectancy of the Corporation in, or in being offered an opportunity to participate in, business opportunities or classes or categories of business opportunities that are presented to the Corporation or developed by or presented to one or more directors or officers of the Corporation.

**Section 5.10 Appraisal Rights.** Holders of shares of Common Stock (as defined herein) shall be entitled to exercise the rights of an objecting stockholder provided for under Title 3, Subtitle 2 of the MGCL or any successor statute. In addition to such statutory rights of an objecting stockholder and notwithstanding the limitations on exercising the rights of an objecting stockholder under Section 3-202(c)(1) of the MGCL, a holder of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock shall have the additional right, pursuant to this Section 5.10, to demand and receive payment of the fair value of such stockholder's shares of Common Stock in any merger, consolidation or statutory share exchange if the holder of such shares of Common Stock is required by the terms of an agreement or plan of merger, consolidation, or statutory share exchange to accept for such shares of Common Stock anything except (a) shares of stock of the corporation surviving or resulting from such merger, consolidation or statutory share exchange, or depository receipts in respect thereof, (b) shares of stock of any other corporation, or depository receipts in respect thereof, which shares of stock (or depository receipts in respect thereof) or depository receipts at the effective date of the merger, consolidation or statutory share exchange will be either listed on a national securities exchange or held of record by more than 2,000 holders, (c) cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts described

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in the foregoing subsections (a) and (b) of this Section 5.10, or (d) any combination of the shares of stock, depository receipts and cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts described in the foregoing subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this Section 5.10. This Section 5.10 shall not alter the effect of Section 3-202(c)(3) of the MGCL. Holders of shares of Common Stock exercising the rights of an objecting stockholder provided in this Section 5.10 shall comply with the requirements to properly exercise such rights set forth in Title 3, Subtitle 2 of the MGCL to the same extent as if the holders were exercising the rights of an objecting stockholder provided for in Title 3, Subtitle 2 of the MGCL or any successor statute including, without limitation, voting against the transaction and providing the Corporation with all required notices.

## ARTICLE VI STOCK

**Section 6.1 Authorized Shares.** The Corporation has authority to issue 1,250,000,000 shares of stock, consisting of 949,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share ("Class A Common Stock"), 1,000,000 shares of Class B Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share ("Class B Common Stock"), 50,000,000 shares of Performance Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share ("Performance Common Stock" and together with the Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, the "Common Stock"), and 250,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value per share ("Preferred Stock"), including those shares of Preferred Stock described in the Exhibits attached hereto. The aggregate par value of all authorized shares of stock having par value is \$12,500,000. If shares of one class of stock are classified or reclassified into shares of another class of stock pursuant to Section 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5

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or 6.6 of this Article VI, the number of authorized shares of the former class shall be automatically decreased and the number of shares of the latter class shall be automatically increased, in each case by the number of shares so classified or reclassified, so that the aggregate number of shares of stock of all classes that the Corporation has authority to issue shall not be more than the total number of shares of stock set forth in the first sentence of this paragraph.

**Section 6.2 Class A Common Stock.** Subject to the provisions of Article VII and except as may otherwise be specified in the Charter, each share of Class A Common Stock shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote. The Board of Directors may reclassify any unissued shares of Class A Common Stock from time to time in one or more classes or series of Common Stock or Preferred Stock.

**Section 6.2.1 Dividends and other Distributions.** The Board of Directors may from time to time authorize and the Corporation shall declare to the holders of Class A Common Stock such dividends or other distributions in cash or other assets of the Corporation or in securities of the Corporation or from any other source as the Board of Directors in its discretion shall determine, but only out of funds legally available therefor. The Board of Directors shall endeavor to authorize, and the Corporation shall declare and pay, such dividends and other distributions as shall be necessary for the Corporation to qualify as a REIT under the Code (unless the Board of Directors has determined that it is no longer in the best interests of the Corporation to continue to be qualified as a REIT); however, stockholders shall have no right to any dividend or other distribution unless and until authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation. The exercise of the powers and rights of the Board of Directors pursuant to this Section 6.2.1 shall be subject to the preferences of any class or series of stock at the time outstanding.

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**Section 6.2.2 Liquidation Rights.** In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of, or any distribution of the assets of, the Corporation, the holders of Class A Common Stock shall be entitled to participate, together with the holders of shares of any other class or series of stock now existing or hereafter classified or reclassified not having a preference over Class A Common Stock as to distributions in the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, in the distribution of any assets of the Corporation remaining after the Corporation shall have paid, or provided for payment of, all debts and liabilities of the Corporation and after the Corporation shall have paid, or set aside for payment, to the holders of any class or series of stock having preferences over the Class A Common Stock as to distributions in the event of dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the Corporation.

**Section 6.2.3 Equal Status.** Except as expressly provided in this Article VI, Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock and Performance Common Stock shall have the same rights and privileges and rank equally, share ratably and be identical in all respects as to all matters.

**Section 6.3 Class B Common Stock.** Subject to the provisions of Article VII, the rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions granted and imposed upon the Class B Common Stock are as follows:

**Section 6.3.1 Definitions.** For the purpose of only this Section 6.3, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

**Affiliate.** The term "Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, (i) any Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with such Person, or (ii) any officer, director, general partner or trustee of such Person or any Person referred to in the foregoing clause (i).

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**Beneficial Owner.** The term "Beneficial Owner" has the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

**Beneficial Ownership.** The term "Beneficial Ownership" shall mean, with respect to any security, the direct or indirect ownership of such security by any Beneficial Owner of such security, except that, in calculating the beneficial ownership of any particular "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), such "person" will be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all securities that such "person" has the right to acquire by conversion or exercise of other securities, whether such right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only after the passage of time.

**Business Day.** The term "Business Day" has the meaning set forth in Article VII below.

**Control.** The term "Control" means, when used with respect to any Person, the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

**Exchange Act.** The term "Exchange Act" has the meaning set forth in the definition of "Beneficial Owner."

**Executive.** The term "Executive" means each Person who is a member of, or an interest holder of, CCH Management Partners I, LLC or CCH Management Partners II, LLC, Colony Capital, LLC or Colony Capital Holdings, LLC, other than Thomas J. Barrack, Jr., in each case for so long as he or she remains employed by the Corporation or any of its Affiliates.

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**Family Member.** The term "Family Member" means, as to any Person that is an individual, (i) such Person's spouse, ancestors (whether by blood or by adoption or step-ancestors by marriage), descendants (whether by blood or by adoption or step-descendants by marriage), brothers and sisters, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law and descendants (whether by blood or by adoption or step-descendants by marriage) of a brother or sister and (ii) any *inter vivos* or testamentary trusts (whether revocable or irrevocable) of which only such Person, his or her spouse, ancestors (whether by blood or by adoption or step-ancestors by marriage), descendants (whether by blood or by adoption or step-descendants by marriage), brothers and sisters, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law and descendants (whether by blood or by adoption or step-descendants by marriage) of a brother or sister are the sole initial income beneficiaries.

**Initial Holder.** The term "Initial Holder" shall mean Thomas J. Barrack, Jr.

**OP Unit.** The term "OP Unit" shall mean "Membership Common Unit" as set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

**Operating Partnership.** The term "Operating Partnership" shall mean Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC.

**Partnership Agreement.** The term "Partnership Agreement" shall mean the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC.

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**Person.** The term "Person" shall mean an individual or a corporation, partnership (general or limited), trust, estate, custodian, nominee, unincorporated organization, association, limited liability company or any other individual or entity in its own or any representative capacity.

**Qualified Transferee.** The term "Qualified Transferee" shall mean (a) Colony Capital, LLC and Colony Capital Holdings, LLC, (b) any Executive, (c) any Family Member or Affiliate of an Executive or of the Initial Holder, or (d) any Person (to the extent not included in clause (c)) Controlled by any combination of one or more Executives, the Initial Holder and/or one or more Family Members of an Executive or the Initial Holder. None of the Corporation, the Operating Partnership, or the Trustee shall be a Qualified Transferee.

**Transfer.** The term "Transfer" (and the correlative terms "Transferring" and "Transferred") has the meaning set forth in Article VII below; provided that for purposes of this Article VI, "Transfer" (and the correlative terms "Transferring" and "Transferred") shall not include any hypothecation, pledge or security interest that does not include a transfer or sharing of any voting rights of such securities unless and until the secured party gains possession or control of any such voting rights.

**Trustee.** The term "Trustee" has the meaning set forth in Article VII below.

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**Section 6.3.2 Voting Rights.** Subject to the provisions of Article VII and except as may otherwise be specified in the Charter, each share of Class B Common Stock shall entitle the holder thereof to thirty-six and one-half (36.5) votes on each matter on which holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to vote. The Class B Common Stock and Class A Common Stock shall vote together as a single class. The Board of Directors may reclassify any unissued shares of Class B Common Stock from time to time in one or more classes or series of Common Stock or Preferred Stock.

**Section 6.3.3 Dividends and other Distributions; Subdivisions or Combinations.** Subject to the preferences applicable to any class or series of Preferred Stock, if any, outstanding at any time, if and when the Board of Directors authorizes or declares a dividend or other distribution of cash, property or shares of stock of the Corporation with respect to each share of Class A Common Stock out of assets or funds of the Corporation legally available therefor, such authorization or declaration also shall constitute a simultaneous authorization or declaration of an equivalent dividend or other distribution with respect to each share of Class B Common Stock. If the Corporation in any manner subdivides or combines the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, the outstanding shares of Class B Common Stock will be subdivided or combined in the same manner.

**Section 6.3.4 Liquidation Rights.** In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of, or any distribution of the assets of, the Corporation, each holder of Class B Common Stock shall be entitled to participate, together with the holders of shares of any other class or series of stock now existing or hereafter classified or reclassified not having a preference over Class B Common Stock as to distributions in the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, in the distribution of any assets of the Corporation remaining after the Corporation shall have paid, or provided for payment of, all

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debts and liabilities of the Corporation and after the Corporation shall have paid, or set aside for payment, to the holders of any class or series of stock having preference over the Class B Common Stock as to distributions in the event of dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the Corporation.

Section 6.3.5 Equal Status. Except as expressly provided in this Article VI, Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock and Performance Common Stock shall have the same rights and privileges and rank equally, share ratably and be identical in all respects as to all matters.

Section 6.3.6 Conversion. The Class B Common Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except as provided in this Section 6.3.6.

(a) Automatic Conversion. Shares of Class B Common Stock shall convert automatically into fully paid and nonassessable shares of Class A Common Stock at a ratio of one share of Class A Common Stock for each share of Class B Common Stock in the following circumstances:

(i) In the event that the Initial Holder or any of his Family Members Transfers or causes to be Transferred, directly or indirectly, Beneficial Ownership of Class B Common Stock, other than to the Initial Holder or any of his Family Members, each share of Class B Common Stock being Transferred shall convert automatically into one share of Class A Common Stock immediately prior to such Transfer; and

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(ii) In the event that:

(x) the Initial Holder Transfers or causes to be Transferred, directly or indirectly, Beneficial Ownership of OP Units held, directly or indirectly, by the Initial Holder, other than to a Qualified Transferee;

(y) a Qualified Transferee Transfers or causes to be Transferred, directly or indirectly, Beneficial Ownership of OP Units held, directly or indirectly, by such Qualified Transferee, other than to the Initial Holder or to another Qualified Transferee; or

(z) a Qualified Transferee that is a Beneficial Owner of OP Units ceases at any time to continue to be a "Qualified Transferee" (as defined above), including, without limitation, as a result of the failure of any Executive to be employed by the Corporation or any of its Affiliates or as a result of divorce or annulment; then, in each case, one share of Class B Common Stock Beneficially Owned by the Initial Holder (or the Initial Holder's Family Members, to the extent the Initial Holder does not then Beneficially Own sufficient shares), upon such Transfer (in the case of clause (x) or (y) above) or cessation (in the case of clause (z) above), shall automatically convert into one share of Class A Common Stock for every thirty-five and one-half OP Units (x) so Transferred or caused to be so Transferred by the Initial Holder or such Qualified Transferee, or (y) then held by the Person who ceased to continue to be a "Qualified Transferee" (as defined above) (in each case rounding up to the nearest thirty-five and one-half OP Units).

Any shares of Class B Common Stock automatically converted pursuant to this paragraph (a) shall be converted as and at the times specified in this paragraph (a) without any further action by the holders thereof and whether or not the certificates representing such shares (if any) are surrendered to the Corporation. Upon the automatic conversion of shares of Class B Common Stock pursuant to this paragraph (a), the Beneficial Owner thereof shall identify for the Corporation the holder of record of the shares so converted.

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(b) Conversion at the Option of the Holder. Pursuant to and in accordance with this paragraph (b), each holder of Class B Common Stock shall have the right, at such holder's option at any time and from time to time, to convert all or a portion of such holder's shares of Class B Common Stock into an equal number of fully paid and nonassessable shares of Class A Common Stock by delivering the certificates (if any) representing the shares of Class B Common Stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer, together with a written conversion notice to the transfer agent for the Class B Common Stock (or if there is no transfer agent, to the Corporation). Such conversion notice shall state: (i) the number of shares of Class B Common Stock to be converted; and (ii) the date on which such conversion shall occur (which date shall be a Business Day no less than five Business Days and not exceeding twenty Business Days from the date of such conversion notice) (the "Optional Conversion Date"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Class B Common Stock are held in global form, such notice shall comply with applicable procedures of the Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). In connection with the exercise of any optional conversion right, the Corporation shall comply with all U.S. federal and state securities laws and stock exchange rules in connection with any conversion of shares of Class B Common Stock into shares of Class A Common Stock. Holders of shares of Class B Common Stock may withdraw any conversion notice by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the Corporation's transfer agent prior to the close of business on the Business Day prior to the Optional Conversion Date. The notice of withdrawal must state: (x) the number of withdrawn shares of Class B Common Stock; (y) if certificated shares of Class B Common Stock have been issued, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn shares of Class B

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Common Stock; and (z) the number of shares of Class B Common Stock, if any, which remain subject to the conversion notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Class B Common Stock are held in global form, the notice of withdrawal shall comply with applicable DTC procedures. Each conversion pursuant to this paragraph (b) for which the conversion notice has been given and not properly withdrawn shall be deemed to have been effected immediately prior to the close of business on the Optional Conversion Date.

#### Section 6.4 Performance Common Stock.

Section 6.4.1 Voting Rights. Except as may otherwise be specified in the Charter, the holders of shares of Performance Common Stock shall have no voting rights. Notwithstanding the foregoing but subject to Article VII, the consent of the holders of a majority of the shares of Performance Common Stock, voting as a separate class, shall be required for any amendment to the Charter that would increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares of Performance Common Stock, increase or decrease the par value of the shares of Performance Common Stock, or alter or change the powers, preferences, or special rights of the Performance Common Stock so as to affect them adversely. The holders of Performance Common Stock shall not be entitled to receive notice of any meeting of stockholders at which they are not entitled to vote. On any matter on which the holders of Performance Common Stock (in their capacity as such) shall have the right to vote, each holder of record of shares of Performance Common Stock on the relevant record date shall be entitled to cast one vote in person or by proxy for each share of Performance Common Stock standing in such holder's name on the stock transfer records of the Corporation. The Board of Directors may reclassify any unissued shares of Performance Common Stock from time to time in one or more classes or series of Common Stock or Preferred Stock.

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Section 6.4.2 Dividends and Other Distributions. The Board of Directors may cause dividends to be paid to the holders of shares of Performance Common Stock out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends by declaring an amount per share as a dividend. When and as dividends are declared on the Class A Common Stock, whether payable in cash, in property or in shares of stock or other securities of the Corporation, the holders of shares of Performance Common Stock shall be entitled to share, ratably according to the number of shares of Performance Common Stock held by them, in such dividends; provided, that dividends shall not be declared on Performance Common Stock unless dividends are declared concurrently on shares of Class A Common Stock, and any per share dividend declared on Performance Common Stock shall in no case exceed the per share dividend declared on shares of Class A Common Stock at the time such dividends on the Performance Common Stock are declared. If the Corporation in any manner subdivides or combines the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, the outstanding shares of Performance Common Stock will be subdivided or combined in the same manner.

Section 6.4.3 Conversion. Each share of Performance Common Stock shall be convertible into one fully paid and nonassessable share of Class A Common Stock upon the terms and conditions relating to the conversion of Performance Common Stock as set forth by the Board of Directors or the Board of Directors of any predecessor (by merger or otherwise) of the Corporation. The Corporation will at all times reserve and keep available, solely for the purpose of issue upon conversion of the outstanding shares of Performance Common Stock, such number of shares of Class A Common Stock as shall be issuable upon the conversion of all such

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outstanding shares of Performance Common Stock. The Corporation covenants that if any shares of Class A Common Stock, required to be reserved for purposes of conversion hereunder, require registration with or approval of any governmental authority under any federal or state law before such shares of Class A Common Stock may be issued upon conversion, the Corporation will use its best efforts to cause such shares to be duly registered or approved, as the case may be. The Corporation will endeavor to list the shares of Class A Common Stock required to be delivered upon conversion prior to such delivery upon each national securities exchange, if any, upon which the outstanding Class A Common Stock is listed at the time of such delivery. The Corporation covenants that all shares of Class A Common Stock which shall be issued upon conversion of the shares of Performance Common Stock will, upon issue, be fully paid and nonassessable and not entitled to any preemptive rights.

Section 6.4.4 Equal Status. Except as expressly provided in this Article VI, Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock and Performance Common Stock shall have the same rights and privileges and rank equally, share ratably and be identical in all respects as to all matters.

Section 6.5 Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors may classify any unissued shares of Preferred Stock and reclassify any previously classified but unissued shares of Preferred Stock of any series from time to time, into one or more classes or series of stock.

Section 6.6 Classified or Reclassified Shares. Prior to issuance of classified or reclassified shares of any class or series, the Board of Directors by resolution shall: (a) designate that class or series to distinguish it from all other classes and series of stock of the Corporation; (b) specify the number of shares to be included in the class or series; (c) set or change, subject to the provisions of Article VII and subject to the express terms of any class or series of stock of

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the Corporation outstanding at the time, the preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption for each class or series; and (d) cause the Corporation to file articles supplementary with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland ("SDAT"). Any of



the terms of any class or series of stock set or changed pursuant to clause (c) of this Section 6.6 may be made dependent upon facts or events ascertainable outside the Charter (including determinations by the Board of Directors or other facts or events within the control of the Corporation) and may vary among holders thereof, provided that the manner in which such facts, events or variations shall operate upon the terms of such class or series of stock is clearly and expressly set forth in the articles supplementary or other Charter document.

**Section 6.7 Stockholders' Consent in Lieu of Meeting.** Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the holders of Common Stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors may be taken without a meeting by consent, in writing or by electronic transmission, in any manner and by any vote permitted by the MGCL and set forth in the Bylaws.

**Section 6.8 Charter and Bylaws.** The rights of all stockholders and the terms of all stock are subject to the provisions of the Charter and the Bylaws.

**Section 6.9 Distributions.** The Board of Directors from time to time may authorize the Corporation to declare and pay to stockholders such dividends or other distributions in cash or other assets of the Corporation or in securities of the Corporation, including in shares of one class or series of the Corporation's stock payable to holders of shares of another class or series of stock of the Corporation, or from any other source as the Board of Directors in its sole and absolute discretion shall determine. The exercise of the powers and rights of the Board of Directors pursuant to this Section 6.9 shall be subject to the provisions of any class or series of shares of the Corporation's stock at the time outstanding.

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**Section 6.10 Transferable Shares.** Notwithstanding any other provision in the Charter, no determination shall be made by the Board of Directors nor shall any transaction be entered into by the Corporation that would cause any shares or other beneficial interest in the Corporation not to constitute "transferable shares" or "transferable certificates of beneficial interest" under Section 856(a)(2) of the Code.

## ARTICLE VII

### RESTRICTION ON TRANSFER AND OWNERSHIP OF SHARES

**Section 7.1 Definitions.** For the purpose of this Article VII, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

**Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit.** The term "Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit" shall mean 9.8 percent in value of the aggregate of the outstanding shares of Capital Stock, or such other percentage determined by the Board of Directors in accordance with Section 7.2.8 of the Charter.

**Beneficial Ownership.** The term "Beneficial Ownership" shall mean ownership of Capital Stock by a Person, whether the interest in the shares of Capital Stock is held directly or indirectly (including by a nominee), and shall include interests that would be treated as owned through the application of Section 544 of the Code, as modified by Section 856(h)(1)(B) and 856(h)(3) of the Code. The terms "Beneficial Owner," "Beneficially Owns" and "Beneficially Owned" shall have the correlative meanings.

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**Business Day.** The term "Business Day" shall mean any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions in New York City are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close.

**Capital Stock.** The term "Capital Stock" shall mean all classes or series of stock of the Corporation, including, without limitation, Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock, Performance Common Stock and Preferred Stock.

**Charitable Beneficiary.** The term "Charitable Beneficiary" shall mean one or more beneficiaries of the Trust as determined pursuant to Section 7.3.6, provided that each such organization must be described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and contributions to each such organization must be eligible for deduction under each of Sections 170(b)(1)(A), 2055 and 2522 of the Code.

**Common Stock Ownership Limit.** The term "Common Stock Ownership Limit" shall mean 9.8 percent (in value or in number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the aggregate of the outstanding shares of Common Stock, or such other percentage determined by the Board of Directors in accordance with Section 7.2.8 of the Charter.

**Constructive Ownership.** The term "Constructive Ownership" shall mean ownership of Capital Stock by a Person, whether the interest in the shares of Capital Stock is held directly or indirectly (including by a nominee), and shall include interests that would be treated as owned through the application of Section 318(a) of the Code, as modified by Section 856(d)(5) of the Code. The terms "Constructive Owner," "Constructively Owns" and "Constructively Owned" shall have the correlative meanings.

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**Excepted Holder.** The term "Excepted Holder" shall mean a stockholder of the Corporation for whom an Excepted Holder Limit is created by the Charter or by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 7.2.7.

**Excepted Holder Limit.** The term "Excepted Holder Limit" shall mean, provided that the affected Excepted Holder agrees to comply with the requirements established by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 7.2.7 and subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 7.2.8, the percentage limit established by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 7.2.7.

**Initial Date.** The term "Initial Date" shall mean the effective time of the merger of NorthStar Asset Management Group Inc., a Delaware corporation, with and into the Corporation.

**Market Price.** The term "Market Price" on any date shall mean, with respect to any class or series of outstanding shares of Capital Stock, the Closing Price for such Capital Stock on such date. The "Closing Price" on any date shall mean the last sale price for such Capital Stock, regular way, or, in case no such sale takes place on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices, regular way, for such Capital Stock, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the NYSE or, if such Capital Stock is not listed or admitted to trading on the NYSE, as reported on the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed on the principal national securities exchange on which such Capital Stock is listed or admitted to trading or, if such Capital Stock is not listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, the last quoted price, or, if not so quoted, the average of the high bid and low asked prices in the over-the-counter market, as reported by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Automated Quotation System or, if such system is no longer in use, the

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principal other automated quotation system that may then be in use or, if such Capital Stock is not quoted by any such organization, the average of the closing bid and asked prices as furnished by a professional market maker making a market in such Capital Stock selected by the Board of Directors or, in the event that no trading price is available for such Capital Stock, the fair market value of the Capital Stock, as determined by the Board of Directors.

**NYSE.** The term "NYSE" shall mean the New York Stock Exchange.

**Person.** The term "Person" shall mean an individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, estate, trust (including a trust qualified under Sections 401(a) or 501(c)(17) of the Code), a portion of a trust permanently set aside for or to be used exclusively for the purposes described in Section 642(c) of the Code, association, private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code, joint stock company or other entity and also includes a group as that term is used for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**Prohibited Owner.** The term "Prohibited Owner" shall mean, with respect to any purported Transfer, any Person who, but for the provisions of this Article VII, would Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in violation of Section 7.2.1, and if appropriate in the context, shall also mean any Person who would have been the record owner of the shares that the Prohibited Owner would have so owned.

**Restriction Termination Date.** The term "Restriction Termination Date" shall mean the first day after the Initial Date on which the Board determines pursuant to Section 5.7 of the Charter that it is no longer in the best interests of the Corporation to attempt to, or continue to, qualify as a REIT or that compliance with the restrictions and limitations on Beneficial Ownership, Constructive Ownership and Transfers of shares of Capital Stock set forth herein is no longer required in order for the Corporation to qualify as a REIT.

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**Transfer.** The term "Transfer" shall mean any issuance, sale, transfer, gift, assignment, devise or other disposition, as well as any other event, condition or set of circumstances that causes any Person to acquire or have Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership, or any agreement to take any such actions or cause any such events, of Capital Stock or the right to vote or receive dividends or other distributions on shares of Capital Stock, including (a) a change in the capital structure of the Corporation or in the relative values of different shares of Capital Stock, (b) a change in the relationship between two or more Persons which cause a change in Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership, (c) the granting or exercise of any option or warrant (or any acquisition or disposition of any option or warrant), pledge, security interest, or similar right to acquire shares of Capital Stock, (d) any acquisition or disposition of any securities or rights convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock or any interest in Capital Stock or any exercise of any such conversion or exchange right and (e) Transfers of interests in other entities that result in changes in Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Capital Stock; in each case, whether voluntary or involuntary, whether owned of record, Constructively Owned or Beneficially Owned and whether by operation of law or otherwise. The terms "Transferring" and "Transferred" shall have the correlative meanings.

**Trust.** The term "Trust" shall mean any trust provided for in Section 7.3.1.

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**Trustee.** The term "Trustee" shall mean the Person unaffiliated with the Corporation and a Prohibited Owner that is appointed by the Corporation to serve as trustee of the Trust.

## Section 7.2 Capital Stock.

Section 7.2.1 **Ownership Limitations.** During the period commencing on the Initial Date and prior to the Restriction Termination Date, but subject to Section 7.4:

(a) **Basic Restrictions.**

(i) (1) No Person, other than an Excepted Holder, shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit, (2) no Person, other than an Excepted Holder, shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Common Stock in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit and (3) no Excepted Holder shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Excepted Holder Limit for such Excepted Holder.

(ii) No Person shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock to the extent that (1) such Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Capital Stock would result in the Corporation being "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code (without regard to whether the ownership interest is held during the last half of a taxable year), (2) such Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Capital Stock would result in the Corporation owning (directly or Constructively) an interest in a tenant that is described in Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code if the income derived by the Corporation (either directly or indirectly through one or more partnerships or limited liability companies) from such tenant for the taxable year of the Corporation during which such determination is being made would reasonably be expected to equal or exceed the lesser of (a)

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one percent of the Corporation's gross income (as determined for purposes of Section 856(c) of the Code), or (b) an amount that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy any of the gross income requirements of Section 856(c) of the Code, or (3) such Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Capital Stock would result in the Corporation otherwise failing to qualify as a REIT.

(iii) Any Transfer of shares of Capital Stock that, if effective, would result in the Capital Stock being beneficially owned by less than 100 Persons (determined under the principles of Section 856(a)(5) of the Code) shall be void ab initio, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Capital Stock.

(b) **Transfer in Trust.** If any Transfer of shares of Capital Stock occurs which, if effective, would result in any Person Beneficially Owning or Constructively Owning shares of Capital Stock in violation of Section 7.2.1(a)(i) or (ii),

(i) then that number of shares of the Capital Stock the Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of which otherwise would cause such Person to violate Section 7.2.1(a)(i) or (ii) (rounded up to the nearest whole share) shall be automatically transferred to a Trust for the benefit of a Charitable Beneficiary, as described in Section 7.3, effective as of the close of business on the Business Day prior to the date of such Transfer, and such Person shall acquire no rights in such shares; or

(ii) if the transfer to the Trust described in clause (i) of this sentence would not be effective for any reason to prevent the violation of Section 7.2.1(a)(i) or (ii), then the Transfer of that number of shares of Capital Stock that otherwise would cause any Person to violate Section 7.2.1(a)(i) or (ii) shall be void ab initio, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Capital Stock.

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(iii) To the extent that, upon a transfer of shares of Capital Stock pursuant to this Section 7.2.1(b), a violation of any provision of this Article VII would nonetheless be continuing (for example where the ownership of shares of Capital Stock by a single Trust would violate the 100 stockholder requirement applicable to REITs), then shares of Capital Stock shall be transferred to that number of Trusts, each having a distinct Trustee and a Charitable Beneficiary or Beneficiaries that are distinct from those of each other Trust, such that there is no violation of any provision of this Article VII.

Section 7.2.2 **Remedies for Breach.** If the Board of Directors shall at any time determine that a Transfer or other event has taken place that results in a violation of Section 7.2.1 or that a Person intends to acquire or has attempted to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of any shares of Capital Stock in violation of Section 7.2.1 (whether or not such violation is intended), the Board of Directors shall take such action as it deems advisable to refuse to give effect to or to prevent such Transfer or other event, including, without limitation, causing the Corporation to redeem shares, refusing to give effect to such Transfer on the books of the Corporation or instituting proceedings to enjoin such Transfer or other event; provided, however, that any Transfer or attempted Transfer or other event in violation of Section 7.2.1 shall automatically result in the transfer to the Trust described above, and, where applicable, such Transfer (or other event) shall be void ab initio as provided above irrespective of any action (or non-action) by the Board of Directors.

Section 7.2.3 **Notice of Restricted Transfer.** Any Person who acquires or attempts or intends to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of shares of Capital Stock that will or may violate Section 7.2.1(a) or any Person who would have owned shares of Capital Stock that resulted in a transfer to the Trust pursuant to the provisions of

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Section 7.2.1(b) shall immediately give written notice to the Corporation of such event or, in the case of such a proposed or attempted transaction, give at least 15 days prior written notice, and shall provide to the Corporation such other information as the Corporation may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such Transfer on the Corporation's status as a REIT.

**Section 7.2.4 Owners Required To Provide Information.** From the Initial Date and prior to the Restriction Termination Date:

- (a) every owner of five percent or more (or such lower percentage as required by the Code or the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder) of the outstanding shares of Capital Stock, within 30 days after the end of each taxable year, shall give written notice to the Corporation stating the name and address of such owner, the number of shares of Capital Stock Beneficially Owned and a description of the manner in which such shares are held. Each such owner shall provide to the Corporation such additional information as the Corporation may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such Beneficial Ownership on the Corporation's status as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit; and
- (b) each Person who is a Beneficial Owner or Constructive Owner of Capital Stock and each Person (including the stockholder of record) who is holding Capital Stock for a Beneficial Owner or Constructive Owner shall provide to the Corporation such information as the Corporation may request, in order to determine the Corporation's status as a REIT and to comply with requirements of any taxing authority or governmental authority or to determine such compliance.

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**Section 7.2.5 Remedies Not Limited.** Subject to Section 5.7 of the Charter, nothing contained in this Section 7.2 shall limit the authority of the Board of Directors to take such other action as it deems necessary or advisable to protect the Corporation in preserving the Corporation's status as a REIT.

**Section 7.2.6 Ambiguity.** In the case of an ambiguity in the application of any of the provisions of this Section 7.2, Section 7.3 or any definition contained in Section 7.1, the Board of Directors may determine the application of the provisions of this Section 7.2 or Section 7.3 or any such definition with respect to any situation based on the facts known to it. In the event Section 7.2 or 7.3 requires an action by the Board of Directors and the Charter fails to provide specific guidance with respect to such action, the Board of Directors may determine the action to be taken so long as such action is not contrary to the provisions of Sections 7.1, 7.2 or 7.3. Absent a decision to the contrary by the Board of Directors, if a Person would have (but for the remedies set forth in Section 7.2.2) acquired Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Capital Stock in violation of Section 7.2.1, such remedies (as applicable) shall apply first to the shares of Capital Stock which, but for such remedies, would have been Beneficially Owned or Constructively Owned (but not actually owned) by such Person, pro rata among the Persons who actually own such shares of Capital Stock based upon the relative number of the shares of Capital Stock held by each such Person.

**Section 7.2.7 Exceptions.**

- (a) The Board of Directors, in its sole discretion, may exempt, prospectively or retroactively, a Person from the Common Stock Ownership Limit or the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit, as the case may be, and may establish or increase an Excepted Holder Limit for such Person if: (i) such Person submits to the Board of Directors information satisfactory to the Board of Directors, in its reasonable discretion, demonstrating that such Person is not an individual for purposes of Section 542(a)(2) of the Code (determined

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taking into account Section 856(h)(3)(A) of the Code); (ii) such Person submits to the Board of Directors information satisfactory to the Board, in its reasonable discretion, demonstrating that no Person who is an individual for purposes of Section 542(a)(2) of the Code (determined taking into account Section 856(h)(3)(A) of the Code) would be considered to Beneficially Own shares of Common Stock in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit or Capital Stock in excess of the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit, (iii) such Person submits to the Board of Directors information satisfactory to the Board of Directors, in its reasonable discretion, demonstrating that clauses (1), (2) and (3) of subparagraph (a)(ii) of Section 7.2.1 will not be violated by reason of such Person's ownership of Common Stock in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit or Capital Stock in excess of the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit pursuant to the exemption granted under this subparagraph 7.2.7(a); and (iv) such Person provides to the Board of Directors such representations and undertakings, if any, as the Board of Directors may, in its reasonable discretion, require to ensure that the conditions in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) hereof are satisfied and will continue to be satisfied throughout the period during which such Person owns Common Stock in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit or Capital Stock in excess of the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit pursuant to any exemption thereto granted under this subparagraph (a), and such Person agrees that any violation of such representations and undertakings or any attempted violation thereof will result in the application of the remedies set forth in Section 7.2 (including without limitation, Section 7.2.5) with respect to shares of Common Stock held in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit or Capital Stock held in excess of the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit with respect to such Person (determined without regard to the exemption granted such Person under this subparagraph (a)).

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(b) Prior to granting any exception pursuant to Section 7.2.7(a), the Board of Directors may require a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service or an opinion of counsel, in either case in form and substance satisfactory to the Board of Directors as it may deem necessary or advisable in order to determine or ensure the Corporation's status as a REIT; provided, however, that the Board of Directors shall not be obligated to require obtaining a favorable ruling or opinion in order to grant an exception hereunder.

(c) Subject to Section 7.2.1(a)(ii), an underwriter that participates in a public offering or a private placement of Capital Stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock) may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock) in excess of the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit or the Common Stock Ownership Limit, but only to the extent necessary to facilitate such public offering or private placement.

(d) In connection with granting any exemption or waiver pursuant to Section 7.2.7(a), the Board of Directors may include such terms and conditions in such waiver as it determines are advisable.

(e) The Board of Directors may only reduce the Excepted Holder Limit for an Excepted Holder: (1) with the written consent of such Excepted Holder at any time, or (2) pursuant to the terms and conditions of the agreements and undertakings entered into with such Excepted Holder in connection with the establishment of the Excepted Holder Limit for that Excepted Holder. No Excepted Holder Limit shall be reduced to a percentage that is less than the Common Stock Ownership Limit.

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**Section 7.2.8 Increase or Decrease in Common Stock Ownership or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limits.** Subject to Section 7.2.1(a)(ii) and this Section 7.2.8, the Board of Directors may from time to time increase or decrease the Common Stock Ownership Limit and the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit for one or more Persons and increase or decrease the Common Stock Ownership Limit and the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit for all other Persons. No decreased Common Stock Ownership Limit or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit will be effective for any Person whose percentage of ownership of Capital Stock is in excess of such decreased Common Stock Ownership Limit or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit, as applicable, until such time as such Person's percentage of ownership of Capital Stock equals or falls below the decreased Common Stock Ownership Limit or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit, as applicable; provided, however, any further acquisition of Capital Stock by any such Person (other than a Person for whom an exemption has been granted pursuant to Section 7.2.7(a) or an Excepted Holder) in excess of the Capital Stock owned by such person on the date the decreased Common Stock Ownership Limit or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit, as applicable, became effective will be in violation of the Common Stock Ownership Limit or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit. No increase to the Common Stock Ownership Limit or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit may be approved if the new Common Stock Ownership Limit and/or Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit would allow five or fewer Persons to Beneficially Own, in the aggregate more than 49.9% in value of the outstanding Capital Stock.

**Section 7.2.9 Legend.** Each certificate for shares of Capital Stock shall bear substantially the following legend:

The shares represented by this certificate are subject to restrictions on Beneficial and Constructive Ownership and Transfer for the purpose, among others, of the Corporation's maintenance of its status as a Real Estate Investment Trust under the Code. Subject to certain further restrictions and except as expressly provided in the Corporation's Charter, (i) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of the Corporation's Common Stock in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit unless such Person

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is an Excepted Holder (in which case the Excepted Holder Limit shall be applicable); (ii) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation in excess of the Aggregate Stock Ownership Limit, unless such Person is an Excepted Holder (in which case the Excepted Holder Limit shall be applicable); (iii) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Capital Stock that would result in the Corporation being "closely held" under Section 856(h) of the Code or otherwise cause the Corporation to fail to qualify as a REIT; and (iv) no Person may Transfer shares of Capital Stock if such Transfer would result in the Capital Stock of the Corporation being owned by fewer than 100 Persons. Any Person who Beneficially Owns or Constructively Owns or attempts to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock which causes or will cause a Person to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess or in violation of the above limitations must immediately notify the Corporation. If any of the restrictions on transfer or ownership are violated, the shares of Capital Stock represented hereby will be automatically transferred to a Trustee of a Trust for the benefit of one or more Charitable Beneficiaries. In addition, the Corporation may redeem shares upon the terms and conditions specified by the Board of Directors in its sole and absolute discretion if the Board of Directors determines that ownership or a Transfer or other event may violate the restrictions described above. Furthermore, upon the occurrence of certain events, attempted Transfers in violation of the restrictions described above may be void ab initio. All capitalized terms in this legend have the meanings defined in the Charter of the Corporation, as the same may be amended from time to time, a copy of which, including the restrictions on transfer and ownership, will be furnished to each holder of Capital Stock of the Corporation on request and without charge. Requests for such a copy may be directed to the Secretary of the Corporation at its principal office.

Instead of the foregoing legend, the certificate may state that the Corporation will furnish a full statement about certain restrictions on transferability to a stockholder on request and without charge.

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**Section 7.3 Transfer of Capital Stock in Trust.**

**Section 7.3.1 Ownership in Trust.** Upon any purported Transfer or other event described in Section 7.2.1(b) that would result in a transfer of shares of Capital Stock to a Trust, such shares of Capital Stock shall be deemed to have been transferred to the Trustee as trustee of a Trust for the exclusive benefit of one or more Charitable Beneficiaries. Such transfer to the Trustee shall be deemed to be effective as of the close of business on the Business Day prior to the purported Transfer or other event that results in the transfer to the Trust pursuant to Section 7.2.1(b). The Trustee shall be appointed by the Corporation and shall be a Person unaffiliated with the Corporation and any Prohibited Owner. Each Charitable Beneficiary shall be designated by the Corporation as provided in Section 7.3.6.

**Section 7.3.2 Status of Shares Held by the Trustee.** Shares of Capital Stock held by the Trustee shall be issued and outstanding shares of Capital Stock. The Prohibited Owner shall have no rights in the shares held by the Trustee. The Prohibited Owner shall not benefit economically from ownership of any shares held in trust by the Trustee, shall have no rights to dividends or other distributions and shall not possess any rights to vote or other rights attributable to the shares held in the Trust.

**Section 7.3.3 Dividend and Voting Rights.** The Trustee shall have all voting rights and rights to dividends or other distributions with respect to shares of Capital Stock held in the Trust, which rights shall be exercised for the exclusive benefit of the Charitable Beneficiary. Any dividend or other distribution paid prior to the discovery by the Corporation that the shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Trustee shall be paid by the recipient of such dividend or other distribution to the Trustee upon demand and any dividend or other distribution authorized but unpaid shall be paid when due to the Trustee. Any dividend or other distribution so paid to the Trustee shall be held in trust for the Charitable Beneficiary. The Prohibited Owner shall have no voting rights with respect to shares held in the Trust and, subject to Maryland law, effective as of the date that the shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to

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the Trustee, the Trustee shall have the authority (at the Trustee's sole and absolute discretion) (i) to rescind as void any vote cast by a Prohibited Owner prior to the discovery by the Corporation that the shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Trustee and (ii) to recast such vote; provided, however, that if the Corporation has already taken irreversible corporate action, then the Trustee shall not have the authority to rescind and recast such vote. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article VII, until the Corporation has received notification that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred into a Trust, the Corporation shall be entitled to rely on its stock transfer and other stockholder records for purposes of preparing lists of stockholders entitled to vote at meetings, determining the validity and authority of proxies and otherwise conducting votes and determining the other rights of stockholders.

**Section 7.3.4 Sale of Shares by Trustee.** Within 20 days of receiving notice from the Corporation that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Trust, the Trustee of the Trust shall sell the shares held in the Trust to a person, designated by the Trustee, whose ownership of the shares will not violate the ownership limitations set forth in Section 7.2.1(a). Upon such sale, the interest of the Charitable Beneficiary in the shares sold shall terminate and the Trustee shall distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the Prohibited Owner and to the Charitable Beneficiary as provided in this Section 7.3.4. The Prohibited Owner shall receive the lesser of (1) the price paid by the Prohibited Owner for the shares or, if the Prohibited Owner did not give value for the shares in connection with the event causing the shares to be held in the Trust (e.g., in the case of a gift, devise or other such transaction), the Market Price of the shares on the day of the event causing the shares to be held in the Trust and (2) the price per share received by the Trustee (net of any commissions and other expenses of sale) from the sale or other disposition of the shares held in the Trust. The Trustee may reduce the amount payable

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to the Prohibited Owner by the amount of dividends and other distributions which have been paid to the Prohibited Owner and are owed by the Prohibited Owner to the Trustee pursuant to Section 7.3.3 of this Article VII. Any net sales proceeds in excess of the amount payable to the Prohibited Owner shall be immediately paid to the Charitable Beneficiary. If, prior to the discovery by the Corporation that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Trustee, such shares are sold by a Prohibited Owner, then (i) such shares shall be deemed to have been sold on behalf of the Trust and (ii) to the extent that the Prohibited Owner received an amount for such shares that exceeds the amount that such Prohibited Owner was entitled to receive pursuant to this Section 7.3.4, such excess shall be paid to the Trustee upon demand.

**Section 7.3.5 Purchase Right in Stock Transferred to the Trustee.** Shares of Capital Stock transferred to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been offered for sale to the Corporation, or its designee, at a price per share equal to the lesser of (i) the price per share in the transaction that resulted in such transfer to the Trust (or, in the case of a devise or gift, the Market Price at the time of such devise or gift) and (ii) the Market Price on the date the Corporation, or its designee, accepts such offer. The Corporation may reduce the amount payable to the Prohibited Owner by the amount of dividends and other distributions which have been paid to the Prohibited Owner and are owed by the Prohibited Owner to the Trustee pursuant to Section 7.3.3 of this Article VII. The Corporation may pay the amount of such reduction to the Trustee for the benefit of the Charitable Beneficiary. The Corporation shall have the right to accept such offer until the Trustee has sold the shares held in the Trust pursuant to Section 7.3.4. Upon such a sale to the Corporation, the interest of the Charitable Beneficiary in the shares sold shall terminate and the Trustee shall distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the Prohibited Owner.

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**Section 7.3.6 Designation of Charitable Beneficiaries.** By written notice to the Trustee, the Corporation shall designate one or more nonprofit organizations to be the Charitable Beneficiary of the interest in the Trust such that (1) the shares of Capital Stock held in the Trust would not violate the restrictions set forth in Section 7.2.1(a) in the hands of such Charitable Beneficiary and (2) each such organization must be described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and contributions to each such organization must be eligible for deduction under each of Sections 170(b)(1)(A), 2055 and 2522 of the Code. Neither the failure of the Corporation to make such designation nor the failure of the Corporation to appoint the Trustee before the automatic transfer provided in Section 7.2.1(b) shall make such transfer ineffective, provided that the Corporation thereafter makes such designation and appointment.

**Section 7.4 NYSE Transactions.** Nothing in this Article VII shall preclude the settlement of any transaction entered into through the facilities of the NYSE or any other national securities exchange or automated inter-dealer quotation system. The fact that the settlement of any transaction occurs shall not negate the effect of any other provision of this Article VII and any transferee in such a transaction shall be subject to all of the provisions and limitations set forth in this Article VII.

**Section 7.5 Enforcement.** The Corporation is authorized specifically to seek equitable relief, including injunctive relief, to enforce the provisions of this Article VII.

**Section 7.6 Non-Waiver.** No delay or failure on the part of the Corporation or the Board of Directors in exercising any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver of any right of the Corporation or the Board of Directors, as the case may be, except to the extent specifically waived in writing.

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## ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right from time to time to make any amendment to its Charter, now or hereafter authorized by law, including any amendment altering the terms or contract rights, as expressly set forth in the Charter, of any shares of outstanding stock. All rights and powers conferred by the Charter on stockholders, directors and officers are granted subject to this reservation. Except as otherwise provided in the Charter, any amendment to the Charter shall be valid only if declared advisable by the Board of Directors and approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. However, any amendment to Article VII or to this sentence of the Charter shall be valid only if declared advisable by the Board of Directors and approved by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter.

## ARTICLE IX LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

To the maximum extent that Maryland law in effect from time to time permits limitation of the liability of directors and officers of a corporation, no present or former director or officer of the Corporation shall be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for money damages. Neither the amendment nor repeal of this Article IX, nor the adoption or amendment of any other provision of the Charter or Bylaws inconsistent with this Article IX, shall apply to or affect in any respect the applicability of the preceding sentence with respect to any act or failure to act which occurred prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption.

**THIRD:** The amendment to and restatement of the charter as hereinabove set forth have been duly advised by the Board of Directors and approved by the stockholders of the Corporation as required by law.

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**FOURTH:** The current address of the principal office of the Corporation is as set forth in Article IV of the foregoing amendment and restatement of the charter.

**FIFTH:** The name and address of the Corporation's current resident agent are as set forth in Article IV of the foregoing amendment and restatement of the charter.

**SIXTH:** The number of directors of the Corporation and the names of those currently in office are as set forth in Article V of the foregoing amendment and restatement of the charter.

**SEVENTH:** The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation had authority to issue immediately prior to this amendment and restatement was 1,500, consisting of 1,000 shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, and 500 shares of Performance Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share. The aggregate par value of all shares of stock having par value was \$15.

**EIGHTH:** The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation has authority to issue pursuant to the foregoing amendment and restatement of the charter is 1,250,000,000, consisting of 949,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, 1,000,000 shares of Class B Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, 50,000,000 shares of Performance Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, and 250,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of which (a) 2,900,000 shares are classified and designated as 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, (b) 14,920,000 shares are classified and designated as 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, (c) 5,750,000 shares are classified and designated as 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, (d) 8,050,000 shares are

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classified and designated as 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, (e) 10,350,000 shares are classified and designated as 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, (f) 10,400,000 shares are classified and designated as 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, (g) 3,450,000 shares are classified and designated as 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, and (h) 11,500,000 shares are classified and designated as 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share. The aggregate par value of all authorized shares of stock having par value is \$12,500,000.

NINTH: These Articles of Amendment and Restatement shall become effective at 4:01 p.m., New York City time, on January 10, 2017. TENTH: The undersigned officer acknowledges these Articles of Amendment and Restatement to be the corporate act of the Corporation and as to all matters or facts required to be verified under oath, the undersigned officer acknowledges that, to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, these matters and facts are true in all material respects and that this statement is made under the penalties for perjury.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment and Restatement to be signed in its name and on its behalf by its President and attested to by its Secretary on this 10th day of January, 2017.

ATTEST: COLONY NORTHSTAR, INC.

/s/ Ronald J. Lieberman

Name: Ronald J. Lieberman Title: Secretary

By: /s/ Albert Tylis

(SEAL)

Name: Albert Tylis Title: President

#### EXHIBIT A

#### SERIES A PREFERRED STOCK

Under a power contained in the charter (the "Charter") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation classified and designated 2,900,000 shares (the "Shares") of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share ("Series A Preferred Stock"), with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:

#### 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock

Section 1. Number of Shares and Designation. This series of Preferred Stock shall be designated as 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "Series A Preferred Stock"), and 2,900,000 shall be the number of shares of Preferred Stock constituting such series.

Section 2. Definitions. For purposes of the Series A Preferred Stock, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: "Annual Dividend Rate" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"Board of Directors" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Corporation or any committee authorized by such Board of Directors to perform any of its responsibilities with respect to the Series A Preferred Stock.

"Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which state or federally chartered banking institutions in New York, New York are not required to be open.

"Change of Control" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof. "Charter" shall mean the charter of the Corporation.

"Common Stock" shall mean, collectively, the Class A Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share, the Class B Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share, and the Performance Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

"Dividend Payment Date" shall mean February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, of each year, commencing on or about February 15, 2017; provided, however, that if any Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day, the dividend payment due on such Dividend Payment Date shall be paid on the first Business Day immediately following such Dividend Payment Date.

**"Dividend Payment Record Date"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

**"Dividend Periods"** shall mean quarterly dividend periods commencing on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, of each year and ending on and including the day preceding the first day of the next succeeding Dividend Period (other than the initial Dividend Period with respect to each Series A Preferred Stock, which, (i) for Series A Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017, shall commence on, and include, November 15, 2016 and end on and include February 14, 2017; and (ii) for Series A Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017, shall commence on the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on Series A Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such Series A Preferred Stock and end on and include the day preceding the first day of the next succeeding Dividend Period).

**"Junior Shares"** shall mean the Common Stock and any other class or series of stock of the Corporation constituting junior shares of stock within the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 9 hereof.

**"Liquidation Preference"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 4 hereof. **"Parity Shares"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 9 hereof.

**"Person"** shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other entity, and shall include any successor (by merger or otherwise) of such entity.

**"Redemption Date"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5 hereof. **"Redemption Price"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5 hereof. **"Series A Preferred Stock"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 hereof.

**"Series B Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

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**"Series C Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series D Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series E Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series F Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series G Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series H Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Set apart for payment"** shall be deemed to include, without any action other than the following, the recording by the Corporation in its accounting ledgers of any accounting or bookkeeping entry which indicates, pursuant to a declaration of a dividend or other distribution by the Board of Directors, the allocation of funds to be so paid on any series or class of shares of stock of the Corporation.

**"Transfer Agent"** means American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, New York, New York, or such other agent or agents of the Corporation as may be designated by the Board of Directors or its designee as the transfer agent for the Series A Preferred Stock.

**"Voting Preferred Shares"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. **"Voting Stock"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

Section 3. **Dividends.** (a) The holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation out of assets legally available for that purpose, dividends payable in cash at the rate per annum of \$2.1875 per share of Series A Preferred Stock (the **"Annual Dividend Rate"**) (equivalent to a rate of 8.75% of the Liquidation Preference per annum). Such dividends with respect to each share of Series A Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from, and including, November 15, 2016 and with respect to each share of Series A Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on shares of Series A Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such shares of Series A Preferred Stock, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets of the Corporation legally available for the payment of such dividends, and shall be payable quarterly,

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when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation, in arrears on Dividend Payment Dates, commencing with respect to each share of Series A Preferred Stock on the first Dividend Payment Date following issuance of such shares of Series A Preferred Stock. Dividends are cumulative from the most recent Dividend Payment Date to which dividends have

been paid, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets legally available therefor. Each such dividend shall be payable in arrears to the holders of record of the Series A Preferred Stock, as they appear on the share records of the Corporation at the close of business on such record dates, not more than 30 days preceding the applicable Dividend Payment Date (the "Dividend Payment Record Date"), as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

Accrued and unpaid dividends for any past Dividend Periods may be authorized and declared and paid at any time, without reference to any regular Dividend Payment Date, to holders of record on such date, not exceeding 45 days preceding the payment date thereof, as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. If following a Change of Control, the Series A Preferred Stock is not listed on the New York Stock Exchange or the American Stock Exchange or quoted on NASDAQ, the Annual Dividend Rate will be increased to \$2.4375 per share of Series A Preferred Stock (equivalent to a rate of 9.75% of the Liquidation Preference per annum) and the holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation out of assets legally available for that purpose, dividends payable in cash cumulative from, but excluding, the first date on which both the Change of Control has occurred and the Series A Preferred Stock is not so listed or quoted at the increased Annual Dividend Rate for as long as the Series A Preferred Stock is not so listed or quoted.

(b) The amount of dividends payable for each full Dividend Period for the Series A Preferred Stock shall be computed by dividing the Annual Dividend Rate by four. The amount of dividends payable for the initial Dividend Period, or any other period shorter or longer than a full Dividend Period, on the Series A Preferred Stock shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year. Holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series A Preferred Stock. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series A Preferred Stock that may be in arrears.

(c) So long as any Series A Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of Parity Shares for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are authorized and declared and paid or authorized and declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series A Preferred Stock for all past Dividend Periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon Series A Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any other series or class or classes of Parity Shares shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accumulated and unpaid on the Series A Preferred Stock and such Parity Shares.

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(d) So long as any Series A Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in shares of, or options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of, Junior Shares) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Shares, nor shall any Junior Shares be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, or as permitted under Article VII of the Charter), for any consideration (or any moneys to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Shares), unless in each case the full cumulative dividends on all outstanding Series A Preferred Stock and any other Parity Shares of the Corporation shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past Dividend Periods with respect to the Series A Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Parity Shares.

Section 4. **Liquidation Preference.** (a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation (whether capital or surplus) shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Shares, the holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) per share of the Series A Preferred Stock (the "Liquidation Preference") plus an amount equal to all dividends (whether or not earned or declared) accrued and unpaid thereon to the date of final distribution to such holder; but such holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other Parity Shares, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be distributed among the holders of such Series A Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Shares ratably in accordance with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series A Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Shares if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory share exchange and (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall not be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Subject to the rights of the holders of shares of any series or class or classes of shares of stock ranking on a parity with or prior to the Series A Preferred Stock upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Shares shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

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Section 5. **Redemption at the Option of the Corporation.** (a) If at any time following a change of control, the Series A Preferred Stock is not listed on the New York Stock Exchange or American Stock Exchange, or quoted on NASDAQ, the Corporation will have the option to redeem the Series A Preferred Stock, in whole but not in part, within 90 days after the first date on which both the change of control has occurred and the Series A Preferred Stock is not so listed or quoted, for cash at \$25.00 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared), to the redemption date. A "Change of Control" shall be deemed to have occurred at such time as (i) the date a "person" or "group" (within the meaning of Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Securities Exchange Act")) becomes the ultimate "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all shares of voting stock that such person or group has the right to acquire regardless of when such right is first exercisable), directly or indirectly, of voting stock representing more than 50% of the total voting power of the total voting stock of the Corporation; (ii) the date the Corporation sells, transfers or otherwise disposes of all or substantially all of its assets; or (iii) the date of the consummation of a merger or share exchange of the Corporation with another entity where the Corporation's stockholders immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not beneficially own, immediately after the merger or share exchange, shares representing 50% or more of all votes (without consideration of the rights of any class of stock to elect directors by a separate group vote) to which all stockholders of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange would be entitled

in the election of directors, or where members of the Board of Directors immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not immediately after the merger or share exchange constitute a majority of the board of directors of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange. "Voting Stock" shall mean stock of any class or kind having the power to vote generally in the election of directors.

(b) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (a) above, the Series A Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to September 14, 2011. On and after September 14, 2011, the Corporation, at its option, may redeem the shares of Series A Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, as set forth herein, subject to the provisions described below.

(c) On and after September 14, 2011, the Series A Preferred Stock shall be redeemable at the option of the Corporation, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share of Series A Preferred Stock, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends to the date fixed for redemption (the "Redemption Price"). Each date on which Series A Preferred Stock are to be redeemed (a "Redemption Date") (which may not be before September 14, 2011) shall be selected by the Corporation, shall be specified in the notice of redemption and shall not be less than 30 days or more than 60 days after the date on which the Corporation gives, or causes to be given, notice of redemption by mail pursuant to the next paragraph.

A notice of redemption (which may be contingent on the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series A Preferred Stock at their respective addresses as they appear on the Corporation's share transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the

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proceedings for the redemption of any Series A Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice shall state: (i) the Redemption Date; (ii) the Redemption Price; (iii) the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series A Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (iv) the place or places where the certificates evidencing the shares of Series A Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price; and (v) that distributions on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such Redemption Date except as otherwise provided herein.

(d) Upon any redemption of Series A Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay any accrued and unpaid dividends in arrears for any Dividend Period ending on or prior to the Redemption Date. If the Redemption Date falls after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of Series A Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series A Preferred Stock on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series A Preferred Stock before such Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series A Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(e) If full cumulative dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock and any other series or class or classes of Parity Shares of the Corporation have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, except as otherwise permitted under the Charter, the Series A Preferred Stock may not be redeemed in part and the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series A Preferred Stock or any Parity Shares other than in exchange for Junior Shares.

(f) Notice having been mailed as aforesaid, from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Corporation shall fail to make available the amount of cash necessary to effect such redemption), (i) except as otherwise provided herein, dividends on the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, (ii) said shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding, and (iii) all rights of the holders thereof as holders of Series A Preferred Stock of the Corporation shall cease (except the rights to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest thereon, upon surrender and endorsement of their certificates if so required and to receive any dividends payable thereon). The Corporation's obligation to provide cash in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be deemed fulfilled if, on or before the Redemption Date, the Corporation shall deposit with a bank or trust company (which may be an affiliate of the Corporation) that has an office in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, or in Baltimore, Maryland and that has, or is an affiliate of a bank or trust company that has, a capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, the cash necessary for such redemption, in trust, with irrevocable instructions that such cash be applied to the redemption of the Series A Preferred Stock so called for redemption. No interest shall accrue for the benefit of the holder of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed on any cash so set aside by the Corporation. Subject to applicable escheat laws, any such cash unclaimed at the end of two years from the Redemption Date shall revert to the general funds of the Corporation, after which reversion the holders of such shares so called for redemption shall look only to the general funds of the Corporation for the payment of such cash.

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As promptly as practicable after the surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for any such shares of Series A Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and if the notice shall so state), such shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be exchanged for the cash (without interest thereon) for which such shares of Series A Preferred Stock have been redeemed. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected by the Corporation from the outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock not previously called for redemption by lot or pro rata (as nearly as may be) or by any other method determined by the Corporation in its sole discretion to be equitable. If fewer than all the shares of Series A Preferred Stock evidenced by any certificate are redeemed, then new certificates evidencing the unredeemed shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be issued without cost to the holder thereof.

Section 6. Reacquired Shares to Be Retired. All shares of Series A Preferred Stock which shall have been issued and reacquired in any manner by the Corporation shall be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock, without designation as to series.

Section 7. No Right of Conversion. The Series A Preferred Stock are not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation at the option of any holder of Series A Preferred Stock.

Section 8. Permissible Distributions. In determining whether a distribution (other than upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up), whether by dividend, or upon redemption or other acquisition of shares or otherwise, is permitted under Maryland law, amounts that would be needed, if the Corporation were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of holders of shares of any class or series of stock whose preferential rights upon dissolution are superior or prior to those receiving the distribution shall not be added to the Corporation's total liabilities.

Section 9. Ranking. Any class or series of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to rank:

(a) prior to the Series A Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends and as to distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if the holders of such class or series shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of Series A Preferred Stock;

(b) on a parity with the Series A Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends and as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, whether or not the dividend rates, dividend payment dates or redemption or liquidation prices per share thereof be different from those of the Series A Preferred Stock, if the holders of such class or series and the Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends and of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up in proportion to their respective amounts of accrued and unpaid dividends per share or liquidation preferences, without preference or priority one over the other ("Parity Shares"); and

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(c) junior to the Series A Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if such class or series of stock shall be Common Stock or if the holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of such class or series, and such class or series shall not in either case rank prior to the Series A Preferred Stock ("Junior Shares").

As of the date hereof, 14,920,000 authorized shares of Series B Preferred Stock, 5,750,000 authorized shares of Series C Preferred Stock, 8,050,000 authorized shares of Series D Preferred Stock, 10,350,000 authorized shares of Series E Preferred Stock, 10,400,000 authorized shares of Series F Preferred Stock, 3,450,000 authorized shares of Series G Preferred Stock and 11,500,000 authorized shares of Series H Preferred Stock are Parity Shares.

Section 10. Voting. Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series A Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action.

If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series A Preferred Stock or any series or class of Parity Shares shall be in arrears (which shall, with respect to any such quarterly dividend, mean that any such dividend has not been paid in full), whether or not earned or declared, the number of directors then constituting the Board of Directors shall be increased by two and the holders of Series A Preferred Stock, together with the holders of shares of every other series or class of Parity Shares having like voting rights (shares of any such other series, the "Voting Preferred Shares"), voting as a single class regardless of series, shall be entitled to elect two additional directors to serve on the Board of Directors at any annual meeting of stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, or at a special meeting of the holders of Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares called as hereinafter provided. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares then outstanding shall have been paid and full dividends thereon for the current quarterly dividend period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, then the right of the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares to elect such additional directors shall cease (but subject always to the same provision for the vesting of such voting rights in the case of any similar future arrearages in six quarterly dividends), and the terms of office of the persons elected as directors by the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares shall forthwith terminate and the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall be reduced accordingly. At any time after such voting power shall have been so vested in the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, the Secretary of the Corporation may, and upon the written request of any holder of Series A Preferred Stock (addressed to the Secretary at the principal office of the Corporation) shall, call a special meeting of the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and of the Voting Preferred Shares for the election of the directors to be elected by them as herein provided, such call to be made by notice similar to that provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation for a special meeting of the stockholders or as required by law. If any such special

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meeting required to be called as above provided shall not be called by the Secretary within 20 days after receipt of such request, then any holder of Series A Preferred Stock may call such meeting, upon the notice above provided, and for that purpose shall have access to the stock books of the Corporation. The directors elected at any such special meeting shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in lieu thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as above provided. If any vacancy shall occur among the directors elected by the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, a successor shall be elected by the Board of Directors to serve until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as provided above. In no event shall the holders of Series A Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to this Section 10 to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed.

So long as any Series A Preferred Stock are outstanding, in addition to any other vote or consent of stockholders required by the Charter, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be necessary for effecting or validating:

(a) Any amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock or the Voting Preferred Shares; provided, however, that (i) the amendment of the provisions of the Charter so as to authorize or create or to increase the authorized amount of, any Junior Shares or any shares of any class or series ranking on a parity with the Series A Preferred Stock or the Voting Preferred Shares (including any amendment to increase the amount of authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock) shall not be deemed to materially adversely affect the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of Series A Preferred Stock and (ii) any filing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland by the Corporation including in connection with a merger, consolidation or otherwise,

shall not be deemed to be an amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock, provided that: (1) the Corporation is the surviving entity and the Series A Preferred Stock remain outstanding with the terms thereof materially unchanged in any respect adverse to the holders thereof; or (2) the resulting, surviving or transferee entity is organized under the laws of any state and substitutes or exchanges the Series A Preferred Stock for other preferred stock or shares having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption thereof that are substantially similar to that of the Series A Preferred Stock (except for changes that do not materially and adversely affect the holders of Series A Preferred Stock); and provided further, that if any such amendment, alteration or repeal would materially and adversely affect any voting powers, rights or preferences of the Series A Preferred Stock or one or more but not all series of Voting Preferred Shares at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote

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of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all series similarly affected, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be required in lieu of the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares otherwise entitled to vote in accordance herewith; or

(b) The authorization or creation of, or the increase in the authorized amount of, any shares of any class or series or any security convertible into shares of any class or series ranking prior to the Series A Preferred Stock in the distribution on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation or in the payment of dividends; provided, however, that, in the case of each of subparagraphs (a) and (b), no such vote of the holders of Series A Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, shall be required if, at or prior to the time when such amendment, alteration or repeal is to take effect, or when the issuance of any such prior shares or convertible security is to be made, as the case may be, provision is made for the redemption of all Series A Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, at the time outstanding in accordance with Section 5 hereof or, in the case of a merger, consolidation or otherwise, regardless of the date of the transaction, the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock receive in the transaction their liquidation preference plus accrued and unpaid dividends.

**Section 11. Information Rights.** During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act and any shares of Series A Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail to all holders of Series A Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the Corporation's record books and without cost to such holders, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series A Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail the information to the holders of Series A Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act.

**Section 12. Record Holders.** The Corporation and the Transfer Agent may deem and treat the record holder of any Series A Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the Transfer Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

**Section 13. Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer.** The Series A Preferred Stock constitute Preferred Stock, and Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock of the Corporation. Therefore, the Series A Preferred Stock, being Capital Stock, is governed by and issued subject to all the limitations, terms and conditions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series A Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

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## EXHIBIT B

### SERIES B PREFERRED STOCK

Under a power contained in the charter (the "**Charter**") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "**Corporation**"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation classified and designated 14,920,000 shares (the "**Shares**") of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share ("**Series B Preferred Stock**"), with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:

#### 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock

**Section 1. Number of Shares and Designation.** This series of Preferred Stock shall be designated as 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "**Series B Preferred Stock**"), and 14,920,000 shall be the number of shares of Preferred Stock constituting such series.

**Section 2. Definitions.** For purposes of the Series B Preferred Stock, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: "**Annual Dividend Rate**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Board of Directors**" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Corporation or any committee authorized by such Board of Directors to perform any of its responsibilities with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock.

**"Business Day"** shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which state or federally chartered banking institutions in New York, New York are not required to be open.

**"Change of Control"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof. **"Charter"** shall mean the charter of the Corporation.

**"Common Stock"** shall mean, collectively, the Class A Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share, the Class B Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share, and the Performance Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

**"Dividend Payment Date"** shall mean February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, of each year, commencing on or about February 15, 2017; provided, however, that if any Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day, the dividend payment due on such Dividend Payment Date shall be paid on the first Business Day immediately following such Dividend Payment Date.

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**"Dividend Payment Record Date"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

**"Dividend Periods"** shall mean quarterly dividend periods commencing on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, of each year and ending on and including the day preceding the first day of the next succeeding Dividend Period (other than the initial Dividend Period with respect to each share of Series B Preferred Stock, which, (i) for Series B Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017, shall commence on, and include, November 15, 2016 and end on and include February 14, 2017; and (ii) for Series B Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017, shall commence on the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on Series B Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such Series B Preferred Stock and end on and include the day preceding the first day of the next succeeding Dividend Period).

**"Junior Shares"** shall mean the Common Stock and any other class or series of stock of the Corporation constituting junior shares of stock within the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 9 hereof.

**"Liquidation Preference"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 4 hereof. **"Parity Shares"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 9 hereof.

**"Person"** shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other entity, and shall include any successor (by merger or otherwise) of such entity.

**"Redemption Date"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5 hereof. **"Redemption Price"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5 hereof.

**"Series A Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series B Preferred Stock"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 hereof.

**"Series C Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series D Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

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**"Series E Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series F Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series G Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series H Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Set apart for payment"** shall be deemed to include, without any action other than the following, the recording by the Corporation in its accounting ledgers of any accounting or bookkeeping entry which indicates, pursuant to a declaration of a dividend or other distribution by the Board of Directors, the allocation of funds to be so paid on any series or class of shares of stock of the Corporation.

**"Transfer Agent"** means American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, New York, New York, or such other agent or agents of the Corporation as may be designated by the Board of Directors or its designee as the transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock.

**"Voting Preferred Shares"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. **"Voting Stock"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

Section 3. Dividends.



(a) The holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation out of assets legally available for that purpose, dividends payable in cash at the rate per annum of \$2.0625 per share of Series B Preferred Stock (the "Annual Dividend Rate") (equivalent to a rate of 8.25% of the Liquidation Preference per annum). Such dividends with respect to each share of Series B Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from, and including, November 15, 2016 and with respect to each share of Series B Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on shares of Series B Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets of the Corporation legally available for the payment of such dividends, and shall be payable quarterly, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation, in arrears on Dividend Payment Dates, commencing with respect to each share of Series B Preferred Stock on the first Dividend Payment Date following issuance of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock. Dividends are cumulative from the most recent Dividend Payment Date to which dividends have been paid.

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whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets legally available therefor. Each such dividend shall be payable in arrears to the holders of record of the Series B Preferred Stock, as they appear on the share records of the Corporation at the close of business on such record dates, not more than 30 days preceding the applicable Dividend Payment Date (the "Dividend Payment Record Date"), as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Accrued and unpaid dividends for any past Dividend Periods may be authorized and declared and paid at any time, without reference to any regular Dividend Payment Date, to holders of record on such date, not exceeding 45 days preceding the payment date thereof, as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. If following a Change of Control, the Series B Preferred Stock is not listed on the New York Stock Exchange or the American Stock Exchange or quoted on NASDAQ, the Annual Dividend Rate will be increased to \$2.3125 per share of Series B Preferred Stock (equivalent to a rate of 9.25% of the Liquidation Preference per annum) and the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation out of assets legally available for that purpose, dividends payable in cash cumulative from, but excluding, the first date on which both the Change of Control has occurred and the Series B Preferred Stock is not so listed or quoted at the increased Annual Dividend Rate for as long as the Series B Preferred Stock is not so listed or quoted.

(b) The amount of dividends payable for each full Dividend Period for the Series B Preferred Stock shall be computed by dividing the Annual Dividend Rate by four. The amount of dividends payable for the initial Dividend Period, or any other period shorter or longer than a full Dividend Period, on the Series B Preferred Stock shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year. Holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series B Preferred Stock. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series B Preferred Stock that may be in arrears.

(c) So long as any shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of Parity Shares for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are authorized and declared and paid or authorized and declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series B Preferred Stock for all past Dividend Periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon Series B Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any other series or class or classes of Parity Shares shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accumulated and unpaid on the Series B Preferred Stock and such Parity Shares.

(d) So long as any shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in shares of, or options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of, Junior Shares) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Shares, nor shall any Junior Shares be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in

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compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, or as permitted under Article VII of the Charter), for any consideration (or any moneys to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Shares), unless in each case the full cumulative dividends on all outstanding Series B Preferred Stock and any other Parity Shares of the Corporation shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past Dividend Periods with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Parity Shares.

**Section 4. Liquidation Preference.** (a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation (whether capital or surplus) shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Shares, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) per share of the Series B Preferred Stock (the "Liquidation Preference") plus an amount equal to all dividends (whether or not earned or declared) accrued and unpaid thereon to the date of final distribution to such holder; but such holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other Parity Shares, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be distributed among the holders of such Series B Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Shares ratably in accordance with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series B Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Shares if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory share exchange and (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall not be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Subject to the rights of the holders of shares of any series or class or classes of shares of stock ranking on a parity with or prior to the Series B Preferred Stock upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Shares shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

Section 5. **Redemption at the Option of the Corporation.** (a) If at any time following a change of control, the Series B Preferred Stock is not listed on the New York Stock Exchange or American Stock Exchange, or quoted on NASDAQ, the Corporation will have the option to redeem the Series B Preferred Stock, in whole but not in part, within 90 days after the first date on which both the change of control has occurred and the Series B Preferred Stock is not so listed or quoted, for cash at \$25.00 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared), to the redemption date. A **"Change of Control"** shall be deemed to have occurred at such time as (i) the date a "person" or "group" (within the meaning of Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Securities Exchange Act")) becomes

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the ultimate "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all shares of voting stock that such person or group has the right to acquire regardless of when such right is first exercisable), directly or indirectly, of voting stock representing more than 50% of the total voting power of the total voting stock of the Corporation; (ii) the date the Corporation sells, transfers or otherwise disposes of all or substantially all of its assets; or (iii) the date of the consummation of a merger or share exchange of the Corporation with another entity where the Corporation's stockholders immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not beneficially own, immediately after the merger or share exchange, shares representing 50% or more of all votes (without consideration of the rights of any class of stock to elect directors by a separate group vote) to which all stockholders of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange would be entitled in the election of directors, or where members of the Board of Directors immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not immediately after the merger or share exchange constitute a majority of the board of directors of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange. **"Voting Stock"** shall mean stock of any class or kind having the power to vote generally in the election of directors. Any redemption pursuant to this Section 5(a) shall follow generally the procedures set forth in the second paragraph of Section 5(c).

(b) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (a) above, the Series B Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to February 7, 2012. On and after February 7, 2012, the Corporation, at its option, may redeem the shares of Series B Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, as set forth herein, subject to the provisions described below.

(c) On and after February 7, 2012, the Series B Preferred Stock shall be redeemable at the option of the Corporation, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share of Series B Preferred Stock, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends to the date fixed for redemption (the **"Redemption Price"**). Each date on which Series B Preferred Stock are to be redeemed (a **"Redemption Date"**) (which may not be before February 7, 2012) shall be selected by the Corporation, shall be specified in the notice of redemption and shall not be less than 30 days or more than 60 days after the date on which the Corporation gives, or causes to be given, notice of redemption by mail pursuant to the next paragraph.

A notice of redemption (which may be contingent on the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series B Preferred Stock at their respective addresses as they appear on the Corporation's share transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Series B Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice shall state: (i) the Redemption Date; (ii) the Redemption Price; (iii) the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series B Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (iv) the place or places where the certificates evidencing the shares of Series B Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price; and (v) that distributions on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such Redemption Date except as otherwise provided herein.

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(d) Upon any redemption of Series B Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay any accrued and unpaid dividends in arrears for any Dividend Period ending on or prior to and up to the Redemption Date. If the Redemption Date falls after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of Series B Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series B Preferred Stock on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series B Preferred Stock before such Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series B Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(e) If full cumulative dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock and any other series or class or classes of Parity Shares of the Corporation have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, except as otherwise permitted under the Charter, the Series B Preferred Stock may not be redeemed in part and the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series B Preferred Stock or any Parity Shares other than in exchange for Junior Shares.

(f) Notice having been mailed as aforesaid, from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Corporation shall fail to make available the amount of cash necessary to effect such redemption), (i) except as otherwise provided herein, dividends on the shares of Series B Preferred Stock so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, (ii) said shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding, and (iii) all rights of the holders thereof as holders of Series B Preferred Stock of the Corporation shall cease (except the rights to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest thereon, upon surrender and endorsement of their certificates if so required and to receive any dividends payable thereon). The Corporation's obligation to provide cash in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be deemed fulfilled if, on or before the Redemption Date, the Corporation shall deposit with a bank or trust company (which may be an affiliate of the Corporation) that has an office in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, or in Baltimore, Maryland and that has, or is an affiliate of a bank or trust company that has, a capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, the cash necessary for such redemption, in trust, with irrevocable instructions that such cash be applied to the redemption of the Series B Preferred Stock so called for redemption. No interest shall accrue for the benefit of the holder of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed on any cash so set aside by the Corporation. Subject to applicable escheat laws, any such cash unclaimed at the end of two years from the Redemption Date shall revert to the general funds of the Corporation, after which reversion the holders of such shares so called for redemption shall look only to the general funds of the Corporation for the payment of such cash.

As promptly as practicable after the surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for any such shares of Series B Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and if the notice shall so state), such shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be exchanged for the cash (without interest thereon) for which such shares of Series B Preferred Stock have been redeemed. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected by the Corporation from the outstanding shares

of Series B Preferred Stock not previously called for redemption by lot or pro rata (as nearly as may be) or by any other method determined by the Corporation in its sole discretion to be equitable. If fewer than all the shares of Series B Preferred Stock evidenced by any certificate are redeemed, then new certificates evidencing the unredeemed shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be issued without cost to the holder thereof.

**Section 6. Reacquired Shares to Be Retired.** All shares of Series B Preferred Stock which shall have been issued and reacquired in any manner by the Corporation shall be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock, without designation as to series.

**Section 7. No Right of Conversion.** The Series B Preferred Stock are not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation at the option of any holder of Series B Preferred Stock.

**Section 8. Permissible Distributions.** In determining whether a distribution (other than upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up), whether by dividend, or upon redemption or other acquisition of shares or otherwise, is permitted under Maryland law, amounts that would be needed, if the Corporation were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of holders of shares of any class or series of stock whose preferential rights upon dissolution are superior or prior to those receiving the distribution shall not be added to the Corporation's total liabilities.

**Section 9. Ranking.** Any class or series of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to rank:

- (a) prior to the Series B Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends and as to distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if the holders of such class or series shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock;
- (b) on a parity with the Series B Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends and as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, whether or not the dividend rates, dividend payment dates or redemption or liquidation prices per share thereof be different from those of the Series B Preferred Stock, if the holders of such class or series and the Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends and of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up in proportion to their respective amounts of accrued and unpaid dividends per share or liquidation preferences, without preference or priority one over the other ("**Parity Shares**"); and
- (c) junior to the Series B Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if such class or series of stock shall be Common Stock or if the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of such class or series, and such class or series shall not in either case rank prior to the Series B Preferred Stock ("**Junior Shares**").

As of the date hereof, 2,900,000 authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock, 5,750,000 authorized shares of Series C Preferred Stock, 8,050,000 authorized shares of Series D Preferred Stock, 10,350,000 authorized shares of Series E Preferred Stock, 10,400,000 authorized shares of Series F Preferred Stock, 3,450,000 authorized shares of Series G Preferred Stock and 11,500,000 authorized shares of Series H Preferred Stock are Parity Shares.

**Section 10. Voting.** Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series B Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action.

If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series B Preferred Stock or any series or class of Parity Shares shall be in arrears (which shall, with respect to any such quarterly dividend, mean that any such dividend has not been paid in full), whether or not earned or declared, the number of directors then constituting the Board of Directors shall be increased by two and the holders of Series B Preferred Stock, together with the holders of shares of every other series or class of Parity Shares having like voting rights (shares of any such other series, the "**Voting Preferred Shares**"), voting as a single class regardless of series, shall be entitled to elect two additional directors to serve on the Board of Directors at any annual meeting of stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, or at a special meeting of the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares called as hereinafter provided. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares then outstanding shall have been paid and full dividends thereon for the current quarterly dividend period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, then the right of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares to elect such additional directors shall cease (but subject always to the same provision for the vesting of such voting rights in the case of any similar future arrearages in six quarterly dividends), and the terms of office of the persons elected as directors by the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares shall forthwith terminate and the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall be reduced accordingly. At any time after such voting power shall have been so vested in the holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, the Secretary of the Corporation may, and upon the written request of any holder of Series B Preferred Stock (addressed to the Secretary at the principal office of the Corporation) shall, call a special meeting of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock and of the Voting Preferred Shares for the election of the directors to be elected by them as herein provided, such call to be made by notice similar to that provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation for a special meeting of the stockholders or as required by law. If any such special meeting required to be called as above provided shall not be called by the Secretary within 20 days after receipt of such request, then any holder of Series B Preferred Stock may call such meeting, upon the notice above provided, and for that purpose shall have

access to the stock books of the Corporation. The directors elected at any such special meeting shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in lieu thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as above provided. If any vacancy shall occur among the directors elected by the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, a successor shall be elected by the Board of Directors to serve until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as provided above. In no event shall the

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holders of Series B Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to this Section 10 to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed.

So long as any shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, in addition to any other vote or consent of stockholders required by the Charter, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be necessary for effecting or validating:

(a) Any amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock or the Voting Preferred Shares; provided, however, that (i) the amendment of the provisions of the Charter so as to authorize or create or to increase the authorized amount of, any Junior Shares or any shares of any class or series ranking on a parity with the Series B Preferred Stock or the Voting Preferred Shares (including any amendment to increase the amount of authorized shares of Series B Preferred Stock) shall not be deemed to materially adversely affect the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and (ii) any filing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland by the Corporation including in connection with a merger, consolidation or otherwise, shall not be deemed to be an amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock, provided that: (1) the Corporation is the surviving entity and the Series B Preferred Stock remain outstanding with the terms thereof materially unchanged in any respect adverse to the holders thereof; or (2) the resulting, surviving or transferee entity is organized under the laws of any state and substitutes or exchanges the Series B Preferred Stock for other preferred stock or shares having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption thereof that are substantially similar to that of the Series B Preferred Stock (except for changes that do not materially and adversely affect the holders of Series B Preferred Stock); and provided further, that if any such amendment, alteration or repeal would materially and adversely affect any voting powers, rights or preferences of the Series B Preferred Stock or one or more but not all series of Voting Preferred Shares at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all series similarly affected, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be required in lieu of the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares otherwise entitled to vote in accordance herewith; or

(b) The authorization or creation of, or the increase in the authorized amount of, any shares of any class or series or any security convertible into shares of any class or series ranking prior to the Series B Preferred Stock in the distribution on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation or in the payment of dividends; provided, however, that, in the case of each of subparagraphs (a) and (b), no such vote of the holders of Series B Preferred Stock

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or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, shall be required if, at or prior to the time when such amendment, alteration or repeal is to take effect, or when the issuance of any such prior shares or convertible security is to be made, as the case may be, provision is made for the redemption of all Series B Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, at the time outstanding in accordance with Section 5 hereof or, in the case of a merger, consolidation or otherwise, regardless of the date of the transaction, the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock receive in the transaction their liquidation preference plus accrued and unpaid dividends.

**Section 11. Information Rights.** During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act and any shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail to all holders of Series B Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the Corporation's record books and without cost to such holders, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series B Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail the information to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act.

**Section 12. Record Holders.** The Corporation and the Transfer Agent may deem and treat the record holder of any Series B Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the Transfer Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

**Section 13. Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer.** The Series B Preferred Stock constitute Preferred Stock, and Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock of the Corporation. Therefore, the Series B Preferred Stock, being Capital Stock, is governed by and issued subject to all the limitations, terms and conditions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series B Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

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**EXHIBIT C**  
**SERIES C PREFERRED STOCK**

Under a power contained in the charter (the "**Charter**") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "**Corporation**"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation, classified and designated 5,750,000 shares (the "**Shares**") of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "**Series C Preferred Stock**"), with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:

**8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock**

Section 1. **Number of Shares and Designation.** This series of Preferred Stock shall be designated as 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "**Series C Preferred Stock**"), and 5,750,000 shall be the number of shares of Preferred Stock constituting such series.

Section 2. **Definitions.** For purposes of the Series C Preferred Stock, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: "**Alternative Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Alternative Form Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Annual Dividend Rate**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Board of Directors**" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Corporation or any committee authorized by such Board of Directors to perform any of its responsibilities with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock.

"**Business Day**" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which state or federally chartered banking institutions in New York, New York are not required to be open.

"**Change of Control Conversion Date**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 7 hereof. "**Change of Control Conversion Right**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Change of Control**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof. "**Charter**" shall mean the charter of the Corporation.

"**Class A Common Stock**" shall mean the Class A Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

"**Common Stock**" shall mean, collectively, the Class A Common Stock, the Class B Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share, and the Performance Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

"**Common Stock Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof. "**Common Stock Price**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (d) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Conversion Rate**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof. "**Depository**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (l) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Dividend Parity Stock**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Dividend Payment Date**" shall mean February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, of each year, commencing on or about February 15, 2017; provided, however, that if any Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day, the dividend payment due on such Dividend Payment Date shall instead be paid on the first Business Day immediately following such Dividend Payment Date without any adjustment to the amount of the dividend due on that Dividend Payment Date on account of such delay.

"**Dividend Payment Record Date**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Dividend Period**" shall mean a quarterly dividend period commencing on, and including, a Dividend Payment Date and ending on, but excluding, the next succeeding Dividend Payment Date (other than the initial Dividend Period with respect to each share of Series C Preferred Stock, which, (i) for shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017, shall commence on, and include, November 15, 2016 and end on, but exclude, the first Dividend Payment Date; and (ii) for shares of Series C Preferred

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Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017, shall commence on, and include, the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on Series C Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such Series C Preferred Stock and end on, but exclude, the next succeeding Dividend Payment Date).

"DTC" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (l) of Section 7 hereof.

"Exchange Cap" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 7 hereof.

"Junior Shares" shall mean the Common Stock and any other class or series of stock of the Corporation constituting junior shares of stock within the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 9 hereof.

"Liquidation Preference" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 4 hereof.

"Person" shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other entity, and shall include any successor (by merger or otherwise) of such entity.

"Preferred Directors" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. "Redemption Date" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5 hereof. "Redemption Price" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

"Securities Exchange Act" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

"Series A Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series B Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series C Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 hereof.

"Series D Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series E Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series F Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

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"Series G Preferred Stock" shall mean the 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series H Preferred Stock" shall mean the 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Set apart for payment" shall be deemed to include, without any action other than the following, the recording by the Corporation in its accounting ledgers of any accounting or bookkeeping entry which indicates, pursuant to a declaration of a dividend or other distribution by the Board of Directors, the allocation of funds to be so paid on any series or class of shares of stock of the Corporation.

"Share Cap" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof.

"Share Split" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 7 hereof.

"Transfer Agent" means American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, New York, New York, or such other agent or agents of the Corporation as may be designated by the Board of Directors or its designee as the transfer agent for the Series C Preferred Stock.

"Voting Preferred Shares" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. "Voting Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

Section 3. Dividends. (a) The holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation out of assets legally available for that purpose, dividends payable in cash at the rate per annum of \$2.21875 per share of Series C Preferred Stock (the "Annual Dividend Rate") (equivalent to a rate of 8.875% of the Liquidation Preference per annum). Such dividends with respect to each share of Series C Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from, and including, November 15, 2016 and with respect to each share of Series C Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from, and including, the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on shares of Series C Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such shares of Series C Preferred Stock, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets of the Corporation legally available for the payment of such dividends, and shall be payable quarterly, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation, in arrears on Dividend Payment Dates, commencing with respect to each share of Series C Preferred Stock on the first Dividend Payment Date following issuance of such shares of Series C Preferred Stock. Dividends are cumulative from the most recent Dividend Payment Date to which dividends have been paid, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be

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assets legally available therefor. Each such dividend shall be payable in arrears to the holders of record of the Series C Preferred Stock, as they appear on the share records of the Corporation at the close of business on such record dates, not more than 30 days preceding the applicable Dividend Payment Date (the "**Dividend Payment Record Date**"), as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Accrued and unpaid dividends for any past Dividend Periods may be authorized and declared and paid at any time, without reference to any regular Dividend Payment Date, to holders of record on such date, not exceeding 30 days preceding the payment date thereof, as may be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(b) The amount of dividends payable for each full Dividend Period for the Series C Preferred Stock shall be computed by dividing the Annual Dividend Rate by four. The amount of dividends payable for the initial Dividend Period, or any other period shorter or longer than a full Dividend Period, on the Series C Preferred Stock shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year. Holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series C Preferred Stock. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series C Preferred Stock that may be in arrears.

(c) So long as any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to payment of dividends ("**Dividend Parity Stock**") for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are authorized, declared and paid or authorized, declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series C Preferred Stock for all past Dividend Periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon Series C Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any series or class or classes of Dividend Parity Stock shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accrued and unpaid on the Series C Preferred Stock and such Dividend Parity Stock.

(d) So long as any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in shares of, or options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of, Junior Shares) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Shares, nor shall any Junior Shares be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than (i) a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, (ii) pursuant to Article VII of the Charter, (iii) as a result of a reclassification of such Junior Shares for or into other Junior Shares, or (iv) the purchase of fractional interests in Junior Shares pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of any securities convertible into or exchangeable for such Junior Shares), for any consideration (or any monies to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Shares), unless in each case the

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full cumulative dividends on all outstanding Series C Preferred Stock and any Dividend Parity Stock of the Corporation shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past Dividend Periods with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Dividend Parity Stock.

**Section 4. Liquidation Preference.** (a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation (whether capital or surplus) shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Shares, the holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive \$25.00 per share of the Series C Preferred Stock (the "**Liquidation Preference**") plus an amount equal to all dividends (whether or not earned or declared) accrued and unpaid thereon to the date of final distribution to such holder; but such holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to such distribution, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be distributed among the holders of such Series C Preferred Stock and any such other stock ratably in accordance with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series C Preferred Stock and any such other stock if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory share exchange and (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall not be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Subject to the rights of the holders of shares of any series or class or classes of shares of stock ranking on a parity with or prior to the Series C Preferred Stock upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Shares shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

**Section 5. Redemption at the Option of the Corporation.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 7(a), upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Corporation may, at its option, upon not less than 30 nor more than 90 days' written notice, redeem the Series C Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, within 120 days after the first date on which such Change of Control occurred, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon (whether or not declared) to, but not including, the date fixed for redemption (the "**Redemption Price**"); provided that, if the Redemption Date is after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, no additional amount for such accrued and unpaid dividend will be included in the Redemption Price and the dividend payments on such Dividend Payment Date shall be made pursuant to Section 5(d). If,

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prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section 5, the holders of Series C Preferred Stock will not have the Change of Control Conversion Right (as hereinafter defined) with respect to the shares called for redemption. If the Corporation elects to redeem any shares of Series C Preferred Stock as described in this Section 5(a), it may use any available cash to pay the Redemption Price, and it will not be required to pay the Redemption Price only out of the proceeds from the issuance of other equity securities or any other specific source. A "Change of Control" shall be deemed to have occurred at such time as (i) (A) the date a "person", including any syndicate or group deemed to be a person within the meaning of Sections 13(d)

(3) and 14(d)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Securities Exchange Act") becomes the ultimate "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all shares of voting stock that such person or group has the right to acquire regardless of when such right is first exercisable), directly or indirectly, of voting stock representing more than 50% of the total voting power of the total voting stock of the Corporation; or (B) the date of the consummation of a merger or share exchange of the Corporation with another entity where the Corporation's stockholders immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not beneficially own, immediately after the merger or share exchange, shares representing 50% or more of all votes (without consideration of the rights of any class of stock to elect directors by a separate group vote) to which all stockholders of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange would be entitled in the election of directors, or where members of the Board of Directors immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not immediately after the merger or share exchange constitute a majority of the board of directors of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange, and (ii) following the closing of any transaction referred to in clause (i), neither the Corporation nor the acquiring or surviving entity has a class of common equity securities (or American Depositary Receipts representing such securities) listed on the New York Stock Exchange, the NYSE MKT or the NASDAQ Stock Market, or listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system that is a successor to any such securities exchange. "Voting Stock" shall mean stock of any class or kind having the power to vote generally in the election of directors. Any redemption pursuant to this Section 5(a) shall follow generally the procedures set forth in the second paragraph of Section 5(c).

(b) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (a) above, the Series C Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to October 11, 2017. On and after October 11, 2017, the Corporation, at its option, may redeem the shares of Series C Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, as set forth herein, subject to the provisions described below.

(c) On and after October 11, 2017, the Series C Preferred Stock shall be redeemable at the option of the Corporation, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at the Redemption Price. Each date on which Series C Preferred Stock are to be redeemed (a "Redemption Date") shall be selected by the Corporation, shall be specified in the notice of redemption and shall not be less than 30 days or more than 90 days after the date on which the Corporation gives, or causes to be given, notice of redemption by mail pursuant to the next paragraph.

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A notice of redemption (which may be contingent on the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 90 days prior to the Redemption Date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series C Preferred Stock at their respective addresses as they appear on the Corporation's share transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Series C Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given (unless such a holder elects to tender such holder's shares). Each notice shall state: (i) the Redemption Date; (ii) the Redemption Price; (iii) the number of shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series C Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (iv) the place or places where the certificates representing the shares of Series C Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, if any of such shares are certificated; (v) that distributions on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such Redemption Date except as otherwise provided herein; and (vi) if such redemption is being made in connection with a Change of Control, that the holders of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock being so called for redemption will not be able to tender such shares of Series C Preferred Stock for conversion in connection with the Change of Control and that each share of Series C Preferred Stock tendered for conversion that is called, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined below), for redemption will be redeemed on the related date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no notice of redemption will be required where the Corporation elects to redeem Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5(b) and Article VII of the Charter to preserve its REIT qualification for federal income tax purposes.

(d) If the Redemption Date falls after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of Series C Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series C Preferred Stock on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series C Preferred Stock before such Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided in calculating the Redemption Price and in this Section 5(d), the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series C Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(e) If full cumulative dividends for all past dividend periods on the Series C Preferred Stock and any series or class or classes of Dividend Parity Stock of the Corporation have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, except as otherwise permitted under the Charter, the Series C Preferred Stock may not be redeemed in part and the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series C Preferred Stock or any capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, other than in exchange for Junior Shares.

(f) Notice having been mailed as aforesaid, from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Corporation shall fail to make available the amount of cash necessary to effect such redemption), (i) except as otherwise provided herein, dividends on the shares of Series C Preferred Stock so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, (ii) said shares shall no longer be

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deemed to be outstanding, and (iii) all rights of the holders thereof as holders of Series C Preferred Stock of the Corporation shall cease (except the rights to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest thereon, upon surrender and endorsement of their certificates if so required and to receive any dividends payable thereon). The Corporation's obligation to provide cash in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be deemed fulfilled if, on or before the Redemption Date, the Corporation shall deposit with a bank or trust company (which may be an affiliate of the Corporation) that has an office in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, or in Baltimore, Maryland and that has, or is an affiliate of a bank or trust company that has, a capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, the cash necessary for such redemption, in trust, with irrevocable instructions that such cash be applied to the redemption of the Series C Preferred Stock so called for redemption. No interest shall accrue for the benefit of the holder of Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed on any cash so set aside by the Corporation. Subject to applicable escheat laws, any

such cash unclaimed at the end of two years from the Redemption Date shall revert to the general funds of the Corporation, after which reversion the holders of such shares so called for redemption shall look only to the general funds of the Corporation for the payment of such cash.

As promptly as practicable after the surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for any such shares of Series C Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and if the notice shall so state), such shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be exchanged for the cash (without interest thereon) for which such shares of Series C Preferred Stock have been redeemed. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected by the Corporation from the outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock not previously called for redemption by lot or pro rata (as nearly as may be) or by any other method determined by the Corporation in its sole discretion to be equitable. If fewer than all the shares of Series C Preferred Stock represented by any certificate are redeemed, then new certificates representing the unredeemed shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be issued without cost to the holder thereof.

**Section 6. Reacquired Shares to Be Retired.** All shares of Series C Preferred Stock that have been issued and reacquired in any manner by the Corporation shall be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock, without designation as to series.

**Section 7. Conversion Rights.** Except as provided in this Section 7, the Series C Preferred Stock are not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation at the option of any holder of Series C Preferred Stock.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series C Preferred Stock shall have the right (unless, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock held by such holder pursuant to Section 5, in which case such holder will have the right only with respect to shares of Series C Preferred Stock that are not called for redemption) to convert each of the Series C Preferred Stock held by such holder (the "**Change of Control Conversion Right**") on the Change of Control Conversion Date into a number of shares of Class A Common Stock (the "**Common Stock Conversion Consideration**") equal to the

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lesser of: (i) the quotient obtained by dividing (x) the sum of the Liquidation Preference per share of Series C Preferred Stock plus the amount of any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to, but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (unless the Change of Control Conversion Date is after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date for the Series C Preferred Stock, in which case no additional amount for such accrued and unpaid dividends shall be included in this sum) by (y) the Common Stock Price (as defined below) (such quotient, the "**Conversion Rate**"); and (ii) 8.4585 (the "**Share Cap**"), subject to adjustments provided in Section 7(b) below.

(b) The Share Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any share splits (including those effected pursuant to a distribution of Class A Common Stock to existing holders of Class A Common Stock), subdivisions or combinations (in each case, a "**Share Split**") with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Share Cap as the result of a Share Split will be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product obtained by multiplying (i) the Share Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split. For the avoidance of doubt, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence, the aggregate number of shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative

Conversion Consideration (as defined below), as applicable) issuable or deliverable, as applicable, in connection with the exercise of the Change of Control Conversion Right shall not exceed the product of the Share Cap times the aggregate number of shares of the Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at the Change of Control Conversion Date (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable) (the "**Exchange Cap**"). The Exchange Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any Share Splits on the same basis as the corresponding adjustment to the Share Cap.

(c) The "**Change of Control Conversion Date**" is the date the Series C Preferred Stock is to be converted, which shall be a Business Day selected by the Corporation that is no fewer than 20 days nor more than 35 days after the date on which it provides the notice described in Section 7(h) to the holders of Series C Preferred Stock.

(d) The "**Common Stock Price**" is (i) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by the holders of Class A Common Stock is solely cash, the amount of cash consideration per share of Class A Common Stock or (ii) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of Class A Common Stock is other than solely cash (x) the average of the closing sale prices per share of Class A Common Stock (or, if no closing sale price is reported, the average of the closing bid and ask prices per share or, if more than one in either case, the average of the average closing bid and the average closing ask prices per share) for the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the date on which such Change of Control occurred as reported on the principal U.S. securities exchange on which Class A Common Stock is then traded, or (y) the average of the last quoted bid prices for Class A Common Stock in the over-the-counter market as reported by Pink OTC Markets Inc. or similar organization for the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the date on which such Change of Control occurred, if Class A Common Stock is not then listed for trading on a U.S. securities exchange.

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(e) In the case of a Change of Control pursuant to which Class A Common Stock is or will be converted into cash, securities or other property or assets (including any combination thereof) (the "**Alternative Form Consideration**"), a holder of Series C Preferred Stock shall receive upon conversion of such Series C Preferred Stock the kind and amount of Alternative Form Consideration which such holder would have owned or been entitled to receive upon the Change of Control had such holder held a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the Common Stock Conversion Consideration immediately prior to the effective time of the Change of Control (the "**Alternative Conversion Consideration**"; the Common Stock Conversion Consideration or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, whichever shall be applicable to a Change of Control, is referred to as the "**Conversion Consideration**").

(f) If the holders of Class A Common Stock have the opportunity to elect the form of consideration to be received in the Change of Control, the Conversion Consideration in respect of such Change of Control shall be deemed to be the kind and amount of consideration actually received by holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock that made or voted for such an election (if electing between two types of consideration) or holders of a plurality of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock that made or voted for such an election (if electing between more than two types of consideration), as the case may be, and shall be subject to any limitations to which all holders of Class A Common Stock are subject, including, without limitation, pro rata reductions applicable to any portion of the consideration payable in such Change of Control.

(g) No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock in connection with a Change of Control. Instead, holders shall be entitled to receive the cash value of such fractional shares based upon the Common Stock Price used in determining the Common Stock Conversion Consideration for such Change of Control.

(h) Within 15 days following the occurrence of a Change of Control, provided that the Corporation has not then exercised its right to redeem all shares of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5, the Corporation shall provide to holders of Series C Preferred Stock a notice of occurrence of the Change of Control that describes the resulting Change of Control Conversion Right, which notice shall be delivered to the holders of record of the shares of the Series C Preferred Stock in their addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation and shall state: (i) the events constituting the Change of Control; (ii) the date of the Change of Control; (iii) the last date on which the holders of Series C Preferred Stock may exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right; (iv) the method and period for calculating the Common Stock Price;

(v) the Change of Control Conversion Date; (vi) that if, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem all or any shares of Series C Preferred Stock, holders will not be able to convert the shares of Series C Preferred Stock called for redemption and such shares will be redeemed on the related Redemption Date, even if such shares have already been tendered for conversion pursuant to the Change of Control Conversion Right; (vii) if applicable, the type and amount of Alternative Conversion Consideration entitled to be received per share of Series C Preferred Stock; (viii) the name and address of the paying agent, transfer agent and conversion agent for the Series C Preferred Stock; (ix) the procedures that the holders of Series C Preferred Stock

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must follow to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right (including procedures for surrendering shares for conversion through the facilities of a Depositary (as defined below)), including the form of conversion notice to be delivered by such holders as described below; and (x) the last date on which holders of Series C Preferred Stock may withdraw shares surrendered for conversion and the procedures that such holders must follow to effect such a withdrawal.

(i) The Corporation shall also issue a press release containing such notice provided for in Section 7(h) for publication on Dow Jones & Company, Inc., Business Wire, PR Newswire or Bloomberg Business News (or, if these organizations are not in existence at the time of issuance of the press release, such other news or press organization as is reasonably calculated to broadly disseminate the relevant information to the public), and post a notice on its website, in any event prior to the opening of business on the first Business Day following any date on which it provides the notice provided for in Section 7(h) to the holders of Series C Preferred Stock.

(j) To exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right, the holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall be required to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the certificate(s), if any, representing the shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer (or, in the case of any shares of Series C Preferred Stock held in book-entry form through a Depositary, to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be converted through the facilities of such Depositary), together with a written conversion notice in the form provided by the Corporation, duly completed, to its transfer agent. The conversion notice must state: (i) the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date; (ii) the number of shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be converted; and (iii) that the Series C Preferred Stock is to be converted pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Series C Preferred Stock.

(k) Holders of Series C Preferred Stock may withdraw any notice of exercise of a Change of Control Conversion Right (in whole or in part) by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the transfer agent of the Corporation prior to the close of business on the Business Day prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date. The notice of withdrawal delivered by any holder must state: (i) the number of withdrawn shares of Series C Preferred Stock; (ii) if certificated shares of Series C Preferred Stock have been surrendered for conversion, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn shares of Series C Preferred Stock; and (iii) the number of shares of Series C Preferred Stock, if any, which remain subject to the holder's conversion notice.

(l) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Sections 7(j) and (k), if any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are held in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or a similar depository (each, a "Depositary"), the conversion notice and/or the notice of withdrawal, as applicable, must comply with applicable procedures, if any, of the applicable Depositary.

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(m) Series C Preferred Stock as to which the Change of Control Conversion Right has been properly exercised and for which the conversion notice has not been properly withdrawn will be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration in accordance with the Change of Control Conversion Right on the Change of Control Conversion Date, unless prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5, in which case only the shares of Series C Preferred Stock properly surrendered for conversion and not properly withdrawn that are not called for redemption will be converted as aforesaid. If the Corporation elects to redeem shares of Series C Preferred Stock that would otherwise be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration on a Change of Control Conversion Date, such shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall not be so converted and the holders of such shares shall be entitled to receive on the applicable Redemption Date the Redemption Price as provided in Section 5.

(n) The Corporation shall deliver all securities, cash and any other property owing upon conversion no later than the third Business Day following the Change of Control Conversion Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the persons entitled to receive any shares of Class A Common Stock or other securities delivered on conversion will be deemed to have become the holders of record thereof as of the Change of Control Conversion Date.

(o) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Series C Preferred Stock, no holder of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to convert such Series C Preferred Stock into shares of Class A Common Stock or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, as the case may be, to the extent that receipt of such Class A Common Stock or the Alternative Conversion Consideration would cause such holder (or any other person) to exceed the applicable share ownership limitations contained in the Charter or this Articles Supplementary or the governing document of the surviving entity, as the case may be, unless the Corporation provides an exemption from this limitation to such holder pursuant to the Charter and this Articles Supplementary or the governing document of the surviving entity.

(p) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein and except as otherwise required by law, the persons who are the holders of record of shares of Series C Preferred Stock at the close of business on a Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to receive the dividend payable on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the conversion of those

shares after such Dividend Record Date and on or prior to such Dividend Payment Date and, in such case, the full amount of such dividend shall be paid on such Dividend Payment Date to the persons who were the holders of record at the close of business on such Dividend Record Date. Except as provided in this Section 7(p), the Corporation shall make no allowance for unpaid dividends that are not in arrears on the shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be converted.

**Section 8. Permissible Distributions.** In determining whether a distribution (other than upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up), whether by dividend, or upon redemption or other acquisition of shares or otherwise, is permitted under Maryland law, amounts that would be needed, if the Corporation were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of holders of shares of any class or series of stock whose preferential rights upon dissolution are superior or prior to those receiving the distribution shall not be added to the Corporation's total liabilities.

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**Section 9. Ranking.** Any class or series of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to rank:

(a) prior to the Series C Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if the holders of such class or series shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of Series C Preferred Stock;

(b) on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, whether or not the dividend rates, dividend payment dates or redemption or liquidation prices per share thereof be different from those of the Series C Preferred Stock, if the holders of such class or series and the Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in proportion to their respective amounts of accrued and unpaid dividends per share or liquidation preferences, without preference or priority one over the other; and

(c) junior to the Series C Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if such class or series of stock shall be Common Stock or if the holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of such class or series, and such class or series shall not in either case rank prior to the Series C Preferred Stock ("**Junior Shares**").

As of the date hereof, 2,900,000 authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock, 14,900,000 authorized shares of Series B Preferred Stock, 8,050,000 authorized shares of Series D Preferred Stock, 10,350,000 authorized shares of Series E Preferred Stock, 10,400,000 authorized shares of Series F Preferred Stock, 3,450,000 authorized shares of Series G Preferred Stock and 11,500,000 authorized shares of Series H Preferred Stock rank on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to the payment of dividends and as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

**Section 10. Voting.** Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series C Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action.

If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series C Preferred Stock shall be in arrears (which shall, with respect to any such quarterly dividend, mean that any such dividend has not been paid in full), whether or not earned or declared, the number of directors then constituting the Board of Directors shall be increased by two and the holders of Series C Preferred Stock, together with the holders of shares of every series or class of Dividend Parity Stock having like voting rights (shares of any such series or class, including the Series A Preferred Stock, the Series B Preferred Stock, the Series D Preferred Stock, the Series E Preferred Stock, the Series F Preferred Stock, the Series G Preferred Stock and the Series H Preferred Stock, the "**Voting Preferred Shares**"), voting as a single class regardless of series, shall be entitled to elect two additional directors (the "**Preferred Directors**") to serve on the Board of Directors at any annual meeting of stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, or at a special meeting of the holders of Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares called as hereinafter provided. For the avoidance of doubt, in

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the election of both Preferred Directors, any outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock, Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock, Series H Preferred Stock and other Voting Preferred Shares shall vote together as a class, and the affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast by holders of outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock, Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock, Series H Preferred Stock and other Voting Preferred Shares shall be required to elect a Preferred Director. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares then outstanding shall have been paid and full dividends thereon for the current quarterly dividend period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, then the right of the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares to elect such two additional directors shall cease (but subject always to the same provision for the vesting of such voting rights in the case of any similar future arrearages in six quarterly dividends), and the terms of office of the persons elected as director, by the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares shall forthwith terminate and the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall be reduced accordingly. At any time after such voting power shall have been so vested in the holders of shares of Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, the Secretary of the Corporation may, and upon the written request of any holder of Series C Preferred Stock (addressed to the Secretary at the principal office of the Corporation) shall, call a special meeting of the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock and of the Voting Preferred Shares for the election of the directors to be elected by them as herein provided, such call to be made by notice similar to that provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation for a special meeting of the stockholders or as required by law. If any such special meeting required to be called as above provided shall not be called by the Secretary within 20 days after receipt of such request, then any holder of Series C Preferred Stock may call such meeting, upon the notice above provided, and for that purpose shall have access to the stock books of the Corporation. The directors elected at any such special meeting shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in lieu thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as above provided. If any vacancy shall occur among the directors elected by the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, a successor shall be elected by the Board of Directors to serve until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, and until their

successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as provided above. In no event shall the holders of Series C Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to this Section 10 to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed.

So long as any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, in addition to any other vote or consent of stockholders required by the Charter, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be necessary for effecting or validating:

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(a) Any amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary (whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise) that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock or the Voting Preferred Shares; provided, however, that (i) the amendment of the provisions of the Charter so as to authorize or create or to increase the authorized amount of, any Junior Shares or any shares of any class or series ranking on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up or the Voting Preferred Shares (including any amendment to increase the amount of authorized shares of Series C Preferred Stock) shall not be deemed to materially adversely affect the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of Series C Preferred Stock and (ii) any filing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland by the Corporation including in connection with a merger, consolidation or otherwise, shall not be deemed to be an amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock, provided that: (1) the Corporation is the surviving entity and the Series C Preferred Stock remain outstanding with the terms thereof materially unchanged in any respect adverse to the holders thereof; or (2) the resulting, surviving or transferee entity is organized under the laws of any state and substitutes or exchanges the Series C Preferred Stock for other preferred stock, shares or other equity interests having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption thereof that are substantially similar to that of the Series C Preferred Stock (except for changes that do not materially and adversely affect the holders of Series C Preferred Stock); and *provided further*, that if any such amendment, alteration or repeal would materially and adversely affect any voting powers, rights or preferences of the Series C Preferred Stock or one or more but not all series of Voting Preferred Shares at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all series similarly affected, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be required in lieu of the affirmative vote of at least

66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares otherwise entitled to vote in accordance herewith; or

(b) The authorization or creation of, or the increase in the authorized amount of, any shares of any class or series or any security convertible into shares of any class or series ranking prior to the Series C Preferred Stock in the distribution on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation or in the payment of dividends; provided, however, that, in the case of each of subparagraphs (a) and (b), no such vote of the holders of Series C Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, shall be required if, at or prior to the time when such amendment, alteration or repeal is to take effect, or when the issuance of any such prior shares or convertible security is to be made, as the case may be, provision is made for the redemption of all Series C Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, at the time outstanding in accordance with Section 5 hereof or, in the case of a merger, consolidation or otherwise, regardless of the date of the transaction, the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock receive in the transaction their liquidation preference plus accrued and unpaid dividends.

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For purposes of determining the voting rights of the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock under this Section 10, each holder will be entitled to one vote for each Liquidation Preference per share with respect to shares of the Series C Preferred Stock held by such holder. Whether the vote or consent of the holders of a plurality, majority or other portion of the shares of the Series C Preferred Stock and any Voting Preferred Shares has been cast or given on any matter on which the holders of shares of the Series C Preferred Stock are entitled to vote shall be determined by the Corporation by reference to the specified liquidation amounts of the shares voted or covered by the consent.

**Section 11. Information Rights.** During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act and any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail to all holders of Series C Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the Corporation's record books and without cost to such holders, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series C Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail the information to the holders of Series C Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act.

**Section 12. Record Holders.** The Corporation and the Transfer Agent may deem and treat the record holder of any Series C Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the Transfer Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

**Section 13. Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer.** The Series C Preferred Stock constitutes Preferred Stock, and Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock of the Corporation. Therefore, the Series C Preferred Stock, being Capital Stock, is governed by and issued subject to all the limitations, terms and conditions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series C Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

**EXHIBIT D**  
**SERIES D PREFERRED STOCK**

Under a power contained in the charter (the "**Charter**") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "**Corporation**"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation, classified and designated 8,050,000 shares (the "**Shares**") of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "**Series D Preferred Stock**"), with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:

**8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock**

**Section 1. Number of Shares and Designation.** This series of Preferred Stock shall be designated as 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "**Series D Preferred Stock**"), and 8,050,000 shall be the number of shares of Preferred Stock constituting such series.

**Section 2. Definitions.** For purposes of the Series D Preferred Stock, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: "**Alternative Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Alternative Form Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Annual Dividend Rate**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Board of Directors**" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Corporation or any committee authorized by such Board of Directors to perform any of its responsibilities with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock.

"**Business Day**" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which state or federally chartered banking institutions in New York, New York are not required to be open.

"**Change of Control Conversion Date**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Change of Control Conversion Right**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof. "**Change of Control**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

"**Charter**" shall mean the charter of the Corporation.

"**Class A Common Stock**" shall mean the Class A Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

"**Common Stock**" shall mean, collectively, the Class A Common Stock, the Class B Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share, and the Performance Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

"**Common Stock Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof. "**Common Stock Price**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (d) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Conversion Rate**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof. "**Depository**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (l) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Dividend Parity Stock**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Dividend Payment Date**" shall mean February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, of each year, commencing on or about February 15, 2017; provided, however, that if any Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day, the dividend payment due on such Dividend Payment Date shall instead be paid on the first Business Day immediately following such Dividend Payment Date without any adjustment to the amount of the dividend due on that Dividend Payment Date on account of such delay.

"**Dividend Payment Record Date**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Dividend Period**" shall mean a quarterly dividend period commencing on, and including, a Dividend Payment Date and ending on, but excluding, the next succeeding Dividend Payment Date (other than the initial Dividend Period with respect to each share of Series D Preferred Stock, which, (i) for shares of Series D Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017, shall



commence on, and include, November 15, 2016 and end on, but exclude, the first Dividend Payment Date; and (ii) for shares of Series D Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017, shall commence on, and include, the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on Series D Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such Series D Preferred Stock and end on, but exclude, the next succeeding Dividend Payment Date).

**"DTC"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (l) of Section 7 hereof.

**"Exchange Cap"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 7 hereof.

**"Junior Shares"** shall mean the Common Stock and any other class or series of stock of the Corporation constituting junior shares of stock within the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 9 hereof.

**"Liquidation Preference"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 4 hereof.

**"Person"** shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other entity, and shall include any successor (by merger or otherwise) of such entity.

**"Preferred Directors"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. **"Redemption Date"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5 hereof. **"Redemption Price"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

**"Securities Exchange Act"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

**"Series A Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series B Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

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**"Series C Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series D Preferred Stock"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 hereof.

**"Series E Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series F Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series G Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Series H Preferred Stock"** shall mean the 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

**"Set apart for payment"** shall be deemed to include, without any action other than the following, the recording by the Corporation in its accounting ledgers of any accounting or bookkeeping entry which indicates, pursuant to a declaration of a dividend or other distribution by the Board of Directors, the allocation of funds to be so paid on any series or class of shares of stock of the Corporation.

**"Share Cap"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof.

**"Share Split"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 7 hereof.

**"Transfer Agent"** means American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, New York, New York, or such other agent or agents of the Corporation as may be designated by the Board of Directors or its designee as the transfer agent for the Series D Preferred Stock.

**"Voting Preferred Shares"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. **"Voting Stock"** shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

Section 3. Dividends. (a) The holders of Series D Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation out of assets legally available for that purpose, dividends payable in cash at the rate per annum of \$2.125 per share of Series D Preferred Stock (the **"Annual Dividend Rate"**) (equivalent to a rate of 8.500% of the Liquidation Preference per annum). Such dividends with respect to each share of Series D Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017 shall be

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cumulative from, and including, November 15, 2016 and with respect to each share of Series D Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from, and including, the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on shares of Series D Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such shares of Series D Preferred Stock, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets of the Corporation legally available for the payment of such dividends, and shall be payable quarterly, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation, in arrears on Dividend Payment Dates, commencing with respect to each share of Series D Preferred Stock on the first Dividend Payment Date following issuance of such shares of Series D Preferred Stock. Dividends are cumulative from the most recent Dividend Payment Date to which dividends have been paid, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets legally available therefor. Each such dividend shall be payable in arrears to the holders of record of the Series D Preferred Stock, as they appear on the share records of the Corporation at the close of business on such record dates, not more than 30 days preceding the applicable Dividend Payment Date (the "Dividend Payment Record Date"), as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Accrued and unpaid dividends for any past Dividend Periods may be authorized and declared and paid at any time, without reference to any regular Dividend Payment Date, to holders of record on such date, not exceeding 30 days preceding the payment date thereof, as may be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(b) The amount of dividends payable for each full Dividend Period for the Series D Preferred Stock shall be computed by dividing the Annual Dividend Rate by four. The amount of dividends payable for the initial Dividend Period, or any other period shorter or longer than a full Dividend Period, on the Series D Preferred Stock shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year. Holders of Series D Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series D Preferred Stock. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series D Preferred Stock that may be in arrears.

(c) So long as any shares of Series D Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock as to payment of dividends ("Dividend Parity Stock") for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are authorized, declared and paid or authorized, declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series D Preferred Stock for all past Dividend Periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon Series D Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any series or class or classes of Dividend Parity Stock shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accrued and unpaid on the Series D Preferred Stock and such Dividend Parity Stock.

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(d) So long as any shares of Series D Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in shares of, or options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of, Junior Shares) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Shares, nor shall any Junior Shares be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than (i) a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, (ii) pursuant to Article VII of the Charter, (iii) as a result of a reclassification of such Junior Shares for or into other Junior Shares, or (iv) the purchase of fractional interests in Junior Shares pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of any securities convertible into or exchangeable for such Junior Shares), for any consideration (or any monies to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Shares), unless in each case the full cumulative dividends on all outstanding Series D Preferred Stock and any Dividend Parity Stock of the Corporation shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past Dividend Periods with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Dividend Parity Stock.

**Section 4. Liquidation Preference.** (a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation (whether capital or surplus) shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Shares, the holders of Series D Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive \$25.00 per share of the Series D Preferred Stock (the "Liquidation Preference") plus an amount equal to all dividends (whether or not earned or declared) accrued and unpaid thereon to the date of final distribution to such holder; but such holders of Series D Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of Series D Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock as to such distribution, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be distributed among the holders of such Series D Preferred Stock and any such other stock ratably in accordance with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series D Preferred Stock and any such other stock if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory share exchange and (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall not be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Subject to the rights of the holders of shares of any series or class or classes of shares of stock ranking on a parity with or prior to the Series D Preferred Stock upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Shares shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

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#### **Section 5. Redemption at the Option of the Corporation.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 7(a), upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Corporation may, at its option, upon not less than 30 nor more than 90 days' written notice, redeem the Series D Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, within 120 days after the first date on which such Change of Control occurred, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon (whether or not declared) to, but not including, the date fixed for redemption (the "Redemption Price"); provided that, if the Redemption Date is after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, no additional amount for such accrued and unpaid dividend will be included in the Redemption Price and the dividend payments on such Dividend Payment Date shall be made pursuant to Section 5(d). If, prior to the Change of Control Conversion

Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series D Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section 5, the holders of Series D Preferred Stock will not have the Change of Control Conversion Right (as hereinafter defined) with respect to the shares called for redemption. If the Corporation elects to redeem any shares of Series D Preferred Stock as described in this Section 5(a), it may use any available cash to pay the Redemption Price, and it will not be required to pay the Redemption Price only out of the proceeds from the issuance of other equity securities or any other specific source. A "Change of Control" shall be deemed to have occurred at such time as (i) (A) the date a "person", including any syndicate or group deemed to be a person within the meaning of Sections 13(d)(3) and 14(d)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Securities Exchange Act") becomes the ultimate "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all shares of voting stock that such person or group has the right to acquire regardless of when such right is first exercisable), directly or indirectly, of voting stock representing more than 50% of the total voting power of the total voting stock of the Corporation; or (B) the date of the consummation of a merger or share exchange of the Corporation with another entity where the Corporation's stockholders immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not beneficially own, immediately after the merger or share exchange, shares representing 50% or more of all votes (without consideration of the rights of any class of stock to elect directors by a separate group vote) to which all stockholders of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange would be entitled in the election of directors, or where members of the Board of Directors immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not immediately after the merger or share exchange constitute a majority of the board of directors of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange, and (ii) following the closing of any transaction referred to in clause (i), neither the Corporation nor the acquiring or surviving entity has a class of common equity securities (or American Depositary Receipts representing such securities) listed on the New York Stock Exchange, the NYSE MKT or the NASDAQ Stock Market, or listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system that is a successor to any such securities exchange. "Voting Stock" shall mean stock of any class or kind having the power to vote generally in the election of directors. Any redemption pursuant to this Section 5(a) shall follow generally the procedures set forth in the second paragraph of Section 5(c).

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(b) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (a) above, the Series D Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to April 10, 2018. On and after April 10, 2018, the Corporation, at its option, may redeem the shares of Series D Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, as set forth herein, subject to the provisions described below.

(c) On and after April 10, 2018, the Series D Preferred Stock shall be redeemable at the option of the Corporation, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at the Redemption Price. Each date on which Series D Preferred Stock are to be redeemed (a "Redemption Date") shall be selected by the Corporation, shall be specified in the notice of redemption and shall not be less than 30 days or more than 90 days after the date on which the Corporation gives, or causes to be given, notice of redemption by mail pursuant to the next paragraph.

A notice of redemption (which may be contingent on the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 90 days prior to the Redemption Date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series D Preferred Stock at their respective addresses as they appear on the Corporation's share transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Series D Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given (unless such a holder elects to tender such holder's shares). Each notice shall state: (i) the Redemption Date; (ii) the Redemption Price; (iii) the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series D Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (iv) the place or places where the certificates representing the shares of Series D Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, if any of such shares are certificated; (v) that distributions on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such Redemption Date except as otherwise provided herein; and (vi) if such redemption is being made in connection with a Change of Control, that the holders of the shares of Series D Preferred Stock being so called for redemption will not be able to tender such shares of Series D Preferred Stock for conversion in connection with the Change of Control and that each share of Series D Preferred Stock tendered for conversion that is called, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined below), for redemption will be redeemed on the related date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no notice of redemption will be required where the Corporation elects to redeem Series D Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5(b) and Article VII of the Charter to preserve its REIT qualification for federal income tax purposes.

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(d) If the Redemption Date falls after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of Series D Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series D Preferred Stock on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series D Preferred Stock before such Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided in calculating the Redemption Price and in this Section 5(d), the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series D Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(e) If full cumulative dividends for all past dividend periods on the Series D Preferred Stock and any series or class or classes of Dividend Parity Stock of the Corporation have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, except as otherwise permitted under the Charter, the Series D Preferred Stock may not be redeemed in part and the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series D Preferred Stock or any capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock as to payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, other than in exchange for Junior Shares.

(f) Notice having been mailed as aforesaid, from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Corporation shall fail to make available the amount of cash necessary to effect such redemption), (i) except as otherwise provided herein, dividends on the shares of Series D Preferred Stock so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, (ii) said shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding, and (iii) all rights of the holders thereof as holders of Series D Preferred Stock of the Corporation shall cease (except the rights to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest thereon, upon surrender and endorsement of their certificates if so required and to receive any dividends payable thereon). The Corporation's obligation to provide cash in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be deemed fulfilled if, on or before the Redemption Date, the Corporation shall deposit with a bank or trust company (which may be an affiliate of the Corporation) that has an office in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, or in Baltimore, Maryland and that has, or is an affiliate of a bank or trust company that has, a capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, the cash necessary for such redemption, in trust, with irrevocable instructions that such cash be applied to the redemption of the Series D Preferred Stock so called for redemption. No interest shall accrue for the benefit of the holder of Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed on any cash so set aside by the Corporation. Subject to applicable escheat laws, any such cash unclaimed at the end of two years from the Redemption Date shall revert to the general funds of the Corporation, after which reversion the holders of such shares so called for redemption shall look only to the general funds of the Corporation for the payment of such cash.

As promptly as practicable after the surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for any such shares of Series D Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and if the notice shall so state), such shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be exchanged for the cash (without interest thereon) for which such shares of Series D Preferred Stock have been redeemed. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected by the Corporation from the outstanding shares

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of Series D Preferred Stock not previously called for redemption by lot or pro rata (as nearly as may be) or by any other method determined by the Corporation in its sole discretion to be equitable. If fewer than all the shares of Series D Preferred Stock represented by any certificate are redeemed, then new certificates representing the unredeemed shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be issued without cost to the holder thereof.

Section 6. **Reacquired Shares to Be Retired.** All shares of Series D Preferred Stock that have been issued and reacquired in any manner by the Corporation shall be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock, without designation as to series.

Section 7. **Conversion Rights.** Except as provided in this Section 7, the Series D Preferred Stock are not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation at the option of any holder of Series D Preferred Stock.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series D Preferred Stock shall have the right (unless, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series D Preferred Stock held by such holder pursuant to Section 5, in which case such holder will have the right only with respect to shares of Series D Preferred Stock that are not called for redemption) to convert each of the Series D Preferred Stock held by such holder (the "**Change of Control Conversion Right**") on the Change of Control Conversion Date into a number of shares of Class A Common Stock (the "**Common Stock Conversion Consideration**") equal to the lesser of: (i) the quotient obtained by dividing (x) the sum of the Liquidation Preference per share of Series D Preferred Stock plus the amount of any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to, but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (unless the Change of Control Conversion Date is after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date for the Series D Preferred Stock, in which case no additional amount for such accrued and unpaid dividends shall be included in this sum) by (y) the Common Stock Price (as defined below) (such quotient, the "**Conversion Rate**"); and (ii) 5.8241 (the "**Share Cap**"), subject to adjustments provided in Section 7(b) below.

(b) The Share Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any share splits (including those effected pursuant to a distribution of Class A Common Stock to existing holders of Class A Common Stock), subdivisions or combinations (in each case, a "**Share Split**") with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Share Cap as the result of a Share Split will be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product obtained by multiplying (i) the Share Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split. For the avoidance of doubt, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence, the aggregate number of shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration (as defined below), as applicable) issuable or deliverable, as applicable, in connection with the exercise of the Change of Control Conversion Right shall not exceed the product of the Share

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Cap times the aggregate number of shares of the Series D Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at the Change of Control Conversion Date (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable) (the "**Exchange Cap**"). The Exchange Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any Share Splits on the same basis as the corresponding adjustment to the Share Cap.

(c) The "**Change of Control Conversion Date**" is the date the Series D Preferred Stock is to be converted, which shall be a Business Day selected by the Corporation that is no fewer than 20 days nor more than 35 days after the date on which it provides the notice described in Section 7(h) to the holders of Series D Preferred Stock.

(d) The "**Common Stock Price**" is (i) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by the holders of Class A Common Stock is solely cash, the amount of cash consideration per share of Class A Common Stock or (ii) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of Class A Common Stock is other than solely cash (x) the average of the closing sale prices per share of Class A Common Stock (or, if no closing sale price is reported, the average of the closing bid and ask prices per share or, if more than one in either case, the average of the average closing bid and the average closing ask prices per share) for the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the date on which such Change of Control occurred as reported on the principal U.S. securities exchange on which Class A Common Stock is then traded, or (y) the average of the last quoted bid prices for Class A Common Stock in the over-the-counter market as reported by Pink OTC Markets Inc. or similar organization for the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the date on which such Change of Control occurred, if Class A Common Stock is not then listed for trading on a U.S. securities exchange.

(e) In the case of a Change of Control pursuant to which Class A Common Stock is or will be converted into cash, securities or other property or assets (including any combination thereof) (the "**Alternative Form Consideration**"), a holder of Series D Preferred Stock shall receive upon conversion of such Series D Preferred Stock the kind and amount of Alternative Form Consideration which such holder would have owned or been entitled to receive upon the Change of Control had such holder held a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the Common Stock Conversion Consideration immediately prior to the effective time of the Change of Control (the "**Alternative Conversion Consideration**"; the Common Stock Conversion Consideration or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, whichever shall be applicable to a Change of Control, is referred to as the "**Conversion Consideration**").

(f) If the holders of Class A Common Stock have the opportunity to elect the form of consideration to be received in the Change of Control, the Conversion Consideration in respect of such Change of Control shall be deemed to be the kind and amount of consideration actually received by holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock that made or voted for such an election (if electing between two types of consideration) or holders of a plurality of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock that made or voted for such an election (if

electing between more than two types of consideration), as the case may be, and shall be subject to any limitations to which all holders of Class A Common Stock are subject, including, without limitation, pro rata reductions applicable to any portion of the consideration payable in such Change of Control.

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(g) No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of the Series D Preferred Stock in connection with a Change of Control. Instead, holders shall be entitled to receive the cash value of such fractional shares based upon the Common Stock Price used in determining the Common Stock Conversion Consideration for such Change of Control.

(h) Within 15 days following the occurrence of a Change of Control, provided that the Corporation has not then exercised its right to redeem all shares of Series D Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5, the Corporation shall provide to holders of Series D Preferred Stock a notice of occurrence of the Change of Control that describes the resulting Change of Control Conversion Right, which notice shall be delivered to the holders of record of the shares of the Series D Preferred Stock in their addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation and shall state: (i) the events constituting the Change of Control; (ii) the date of the Change of Control; (iii) the last date on which the holders of Series D Preferred Stock may exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right; (iv) the method and period for calculating the Common Stock Price; (v) the Change of Control Conversion Date; (vi) that if, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem all or any shares of Series D Preferred Stock, holders will not be able to convert the shares of Series D Preferred Stock called for redemption and such shares will be redeemed on the related Redemption Date, even if such shares have already been tendered for conversion pursuant to the Change of Control Conversion Right; (vii) if applicable, the type and amount of Alternative Conversion Consideration entitled to be received per share of Series D Preferred Stock; (viii) the name and address of the paying agent, transfer agent and conversion agent for the Series D Preferred Stock; (ix) the procedures that the holders of Series D Preferred Stock must follow to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right (including procedures for surrendering shares for conversion through the facilities of a Depository (as defined below)), including the form of conversion notice to be delivered by such holders as described below; and (x) the last date on which holders of Series D Preferred Stock may withdraw shares surrendered for conversion and the procedures that such holders must follow to effect such a withdrawal.

(i) The Corporation shall also issue a press release containing such notice provided for in Section 7(h) for publication on Dow Jones & Company, Inc., Business Wire, PR Newswire or Bloomberg Business News (or, if these organizations are not in existence at the time of issuance of the press release, such other news or press organization as is reasonably calculated to broadly disseminate the relevant information to the public), and post a notice on its website, in any event prior to the opening of business on the first Business Day following any date on which it provides the notice provided for in Section 7(h) to the holders of Series D Preferred Stock.

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(j) To exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right, the holders of Series D Preferred Stock shall be required to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the certificate(s), if any, representing the shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer (or, in the case of any shares of Series D Preferred Stock held in book-entry form through a Depository, to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be converted through the facilities of such Depository), together with a written conversion notice in the form provided by the Corporation, duly completed, to its transfer agent. The conversion notice must state: (i) the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date; (ii) the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be converted; and (iii) that the Series D Preferred Stock is to be converted pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Series D Preferred Stock.

(k) Holders of Series D Preferred Stock may withdraw any notice of exercise of a Change of Control Conversion Right (in whole or in part) by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the transfer agent of the Corporation prior to the close of business on the Business Day prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date. The notice of withdrawal delivered by any holder must state: (i) the number of withdrawn shares of Series D Preferred Stock; (ii) if certificated shares of Series D Preferred Stock have been surrendered for conversion, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn shares of Series D Preferred Stock; and (iii) the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock, if any, which remain subject to the holder's conversion notice.

(l) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Sections 7(j) and (k), if any shares of Series D Preferred Stock are held in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or a similar depository (each, a "Depository"), the conversion notice and/or the notice of withdrawal, as applicable, must comply with applicable procedures, if any, of the applicable Depository.

(m) Series D Preferred Stock as to which the Change of Control Conversion Right has been properly exercised and for which the conversion notice has not been properly withdrawn will be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration in accordance with the Change of Control Conversion Right on the Change of Control Conversion Date, unless prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series D Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5, in which case only the shares of Series D Preferred Stock properly surrendered for conversion and not properly withdrawn that are not called for redemption will be converted as aforesaid. If the Corporation elects to redeem shares of Series D Preferred Stock that would otherwise be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration on a Change of Control Conversion Date, such shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall not be so converted and the holders of such shares shall be entitled to receive on the applicable Redemption Date the Redemption Price as provided in Section 5.

(n) The Corporation shall deliver all securities, cash and any other property owing upon conversion no later than the third Business Day following the Change of Control Conversion Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the persons entitled to receive any shares of Class A Common Stock or other securities delivered on conversion will be deemed to have become the holders of record thereof as of the Change of Control Conversion Date.

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(o) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Series D Preferred Stock, no holder of Series D Preferred Stock shall be entitled to convert such Series D Preferred Stock into shares of Class A Common Stock or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, as the case may be, to the extent that receipt of such Class A Common Stock or the Alternative Conversion Consideration would cause such holder (or any other person) to exceed the applicable share ownership limitations contained in the Charter or this Articles Supplementary or the governing document of the surviving entity, as the case may be, unless the Corporation provides an exemption from this limitation to such holder pursuant to the Charter and this Articles Supplementary or the governing document of the surviving entity.

(p) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein and except as otherwise required by law, the persons who are the holders of record of shares of Series D Preferred Stock at the close of business on a Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to receive the dividend payable on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the conversion of those shares after such Dividend Record Date and on or prior to such Dividend Payment Date and, in such case, the full amount of such dividend shall be paid on such Dividend Payment Date to the persons who were the holders of record at the close of business on such Dividend Record Date. Except as provided in this Section 7(p), the Corporation shall make no allowance for unpaid dividends that are not in arrears on the shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be converted.

**Section 8. Permissible Distributions.** In determining whether a distribution (other than upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up), whether by dividend, or upon redemption or other acquisition of shares or otherwise, is permitted under Maryland law, amounts that would be needed, if the Corporation were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of holders of shares of any class or series of stock whose preferential rights upon dissolution are superior or prior to those receiving the distribution shall not be added to the Corporation's total liabilities.

**Section 9. Ranking.** Any class or series of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to rank:

(a) prior to the Series D Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if the holders of such class or series shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of Series D Preferred Stock;

(b) on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, whether or not the dividend rates, dividend payment dates or redemption or liquidation prices per share thereof be different from those of the Series D Preferred Stock, if the holders of such class or series and the Series D Preferred Stock shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in proportion to their respective amounts of accrued and unpaid dividends per share or liquidation preferences, without preference or priority one over the other; and

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(c) junior to the Series D Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if such class or series of stock shall be Common Stock or if the holders of Series D Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of such class or series, and such class or series shall not in either case rank prior to the Series D Preferred Stock ("Junior Shares").

As of the date hereof, 2,900,000 authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock, 14,900,000 authorized shares of Series B Preferred Stock, 5,750,000 authorized shares of Series C Preferred Stock, 10,350,000 authorized shares of Series E Preferred Stock, 10,400,000 authorized shares of Series F Preferred Stock, 3,450,000 authorized shares of Series G Preferred Stock and 11,500,000 authorized shares of Series H Preferred Stock rank on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock as to the payment of dividends and as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

**Section 10. Voting.** Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series D Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action.

If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series D Preferred Stock shall be in arrears (which shall, with respect to any such quarterly dividend, mean that any such dividend has not been paid in full), whether or not earned or declared, the number of directors then constituting the Board of Directors shall be increased by two and the holders of Series D Preferred Stock, together with the holders of shares of every series or class of Dividend Parity Stock having like voting rights (shares of any such series or class, including the Series A Preferred Stock, the Series B Preferred Stock, the Series C Preferred Stock, the Series E Preferred Stock, the Series F Preferred Stock, the Series G Preferred Stock and the Series H Preferred Stock, the "Voting Preferred Shares"), voting as a single class regardless of series, shall be entitled to elect two additional directors (the "Preferred Directors") to serve on the Board of Directors at any annual meeting of stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, or at a special meeting of the holders of Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares called as hereinafter provided. For the avoidance of doubt, in the election of both Preferred Directors, any outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock, Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock, Series H Preferred Stock and other Voting Preferred Shares shall vote together as a class, and the affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast by holders of outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock, Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock, Series H Preferred Stock and other Voting Preferred Shares shall be required to elect a Preferred Director. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the

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Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares then outstanding shall have been paid and full dividends thereon for the current quarterly dividend period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, then the right of the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares to elect such two additional directors shall cease (but subject always to the same provision for the vesting of such voting rights in the case of any similar future arrearages in six quarterly dividends), and the terms of office of the persons elected as director, by the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares shall forthwith terminate and the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall be reduced accordingly. At any time after such voting power shall have been so vested in the holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, the Secretary of the Corporation may, and upon the written request of any holder of Series D Preferred Stock (addressed to the Secretary at the principal office of the Corporation) shall, call a special meeting of the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock and of the Voting Preferred Shares for the election of the directors to be elected by them as herein provided, such call to be made by notice similar to that provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation for a special meeting of the stockholders or as required by law. If any such special meeting required to be called as above provided shall not be called by the Secretary within 20 days after receipt of such request, then any holder of Series D Preferred Stock may call such meeting, upon the notice above provided, and for that purpose shall have access to the stock books of

the Corporation. The directors elected at any such special meeting shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in lieu thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as above provided. If any vacancy shall occur among the directors elected by the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, a successor shall be elected by the Board of Directors to serve until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as provided above. In no event shall the holders of Series D Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to this Section 10 to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed.

So long as any shares of Series D Preferred Stock are outstanding, in addition to any other vote or consent of stockholders required by the Charter, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be necessary for effecting or validating:

(a) Any amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary (whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise) that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock or the Voting Preferred Shares; provided, however, that (i) the amendment of the provisions of the Charter so as to authorize or create or to increase the authorized amount of, any Junior Shares or any shares of any class or series ranking on a parity

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with the Series D Preferred Stock as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up or the Voting Preferred Shares (including any amendment to increase the amount of authorized shares of Series D Preferred Stock) shall not be deemed to materially adversely affect the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of Series D Preferred Stock and (ii) any filing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland by the Corporation including in connection with a merger, consolidation or otherwise, shall not be deemed to be an amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock, provided that: (1) the Corporation is the surviving entity and the Series D Preferred Stock remain outstanding with the terms thereof materially unchanged in any respect adverse to the holders thereof; or (2) the resulting, surviving or transferee entity is organized under the laws of any state and substitutes or exchanges the Series D Preferred Stock for other preferred stock, shares or other equity interests having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption thereof that are substantially similar to that of the Series D Preferred Stock (except for changes that do not materially and adversely affect the holders of Series D Preferred Stock); and *provided further*, that if any such amendment, alteration or repeal would materially and adversely affect any voting powers, rights or preferences of the Series D Preferred Stock or one or more but not all series of Voting Preferred Shares at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all series similarly affected, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be required in lieu of the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares otherwise entitled to vote in accordance herewith; or

(b) The authorization or creation of, or the increase in the authorized amount of, any shares of any class or series or any security convertible into shares of any class or series ranking prior to the Series D Preferred Stock in the distribution on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation or in the payment of dividends; provided, however, that, in the case of each of subparagraphs (a) and (b), no such vote of the holders of Series D Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, shall be required if, at or prior to the time when such amendment, alteration or repeal is to take effect, or when the issuance of any such prior shares or convertible security is to be made, as the case may be, provision is made for the redemption of all Series D Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, at the time outstanding in accordance with Section 5 hereof or, in the case of a merger, consolidation or otherwise, regardless of the date of the transaction, the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock receive in the transaction their liquidation preference plus accrued and unpaid dividends.

For purposes of determining the voting rights of the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock under this Section 10, each holder will be entitled to one vote for each Liquidation Preference per share with respect to shares of the Series D Preferred Stock held by such holder. Whether the vote or consent of the holders of a plurality, majority or other portion

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of the shares of the Series D Preferred Stock and any Voting Preferred Shares has been cast or given on any matter on which the holders of shares of the Series D Preferred Stock are entitled to vote shall be determined by the Corporation by reference to the specified liquidation amounts of the shares voted or covered by the consent.

**Section 11. Information Rights.** During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act and any shares of Series D Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail to all holders of Series D Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the Corporation's record books and without cost to such holders, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series D Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail the information to the holders of Series D Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act.

**Section 12. Record Holders.** The Corporation and the Transfer Agent may deem and treat the record holder of any Series D Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the Transfer Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.



Section 13. Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer. The Series D Preferred Stock constitutes Preferred Stock, and Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock of the Corporation. Therefore, the Series D Preferred Stock, being Capital Stock, is governed by and issued subject to all the limitations, terms and conditions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series D Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

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## EXHIBIT E

### SERIES E PREFERRED STOCK

Under a power contained in the charter (the "**Charter**") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "**Corporation**"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation, classified and designated 10,350,000 shares (the "**Shares**") of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "**Series E Preferred Stock**"), with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:

#### 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock

Section 1. Number of Shares and Designation. This series of Preferred Stock shall be designated as 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share (the "**Series E Preferred Stock**"), and 10,350,000 shall be the number of shares of Preferred Stock constituting such series.

Section 2. Definitions. For purposes of the Series E Preferred Stock, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: "**Alternative Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Alternative Form Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Annual Dividend Rate**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Board of Directors**" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Corporation or any committee authorized by such Board of Directors to perform any of its responsibilities with respect to the Series E Preferred Stock.

"**Business Day**" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which state or federally chartered banking institutions in New York, New York are not required to be open.

"**Change of Control Conversion Date**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 7 hereof. "**Change of Control Conversion Right**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Change of Control**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof. "**Charter**" shall mean the charter of the Corporation.

"**Class A Common Stock**" shall mean the Class A Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

"**Common Stock**" shall mean, collectively, the Class A Common Stock, the Class B Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share, and the Performance Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$.01 per share.

"**Common Stock Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof. "**Common Stock Price**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (d) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Conversion Consideration**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (e) of Section 7 hereof. "**Conversion Rate**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof. "**Depository**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (l) of Section 7 hereof.

"**Dividend Parity Stock**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Dividend Payment Date**" shall mean February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, of each year, commencing on or about February 15, 2017; provided, however, that if any Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day, the dividend payment due on such Dividend Payment Date shall instead be paid on the first Business Day immediately following such Dividend Payment Date without any adjustment to the amount of the dividend due on that Dividend Payment Date on account of such delay.

"**Dividend Payment Record Date**" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

"**Dividend Period**" shall mean a quarterly dividend period commencing on, and including, a Dividend Payment Date and ending on, but excluding, the next succeeding Dividend Payment Date (other than the initial Dividend Period with respect to each share of Series E Preferred Stock, which, (i) for shares of Series E Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017, shall commence on, and include, November 15, 2016 and end on, but exclude, the first Dividend Payment Date; and (ii) for shares of Series E Preferred

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Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017, shall commence on, and include, the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on Series E Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such Series E Preferred Stock and end on, but exclude, the next succeeding Dividend Payment Date).

"DTC" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (l) of Section 7 hereof.

"Exchange Cap" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 7 hereof.

"Junior Shares" shall mean the Common Stock and any other class or series of stock of the Corporation constituting junior shares of stock within the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 9 hereof.

"Liquidation Preference" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 4 hereof.

"Person" shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other entity, and shall include any successor (by merger or otherwise) of such entity.

"Preferred Directors" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. "Redemption Date" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5 hereof. "Redemption Price" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

"Securities Exchange Act" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

"Series A Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series B Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series C Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series D Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series E Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 hereof.

"Series F Preferred Stock" shall mean the 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

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"Series G Preferred Stock" shall mean the 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Series H Preferred Stock" shall mean the 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share.

"Set apart for payment" shall be deemed to include, without any action other than the following, the recording by the Corporation in its accounting ledgers of any accounting or bookkeeping entry which indicates, pursuant to a declaration of a dividend or other distribution by the Board of Directors, the allocation of funds to be so paid on any series or class of shares of stock of the Corporation.

"Share Cap" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 7 hereof.

"Share Split" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (b) of Section 7 hereof.

"Transfer Agent" means American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, New York, New York, or such other agent or agents of the Corporation as may be designated by the Board of Directors or its designee as the transfer agent for the Series E Preferred Stock.

"Voting Preferred Shares" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 hereof. "Voting Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 5 hereof.

Section 3. Dividends. (a) The holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation out of assets legally available for that purpose, dividends payable in cash at the rate per annum of \$2.1875 per share of Series E Preferred Stock (the "Annual Dividend Rate") (equivalent to a rate of 8.75% of the Liquidation Preference per annum). Such dividends with respect to each share of Series E Preferred Stock issued prior to January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from, and including, November 15, 2016 and with respect to each share of Series E Preferred Stock issued on or after January 11, 2017 shall be cumulative from, and including, the Dividend Payment Date with respect to which dividends were actually paid on shares of Series E Preferred Stock that were outstanding immediately preceding the issuance of such shares of Series E Preferred Stock, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets of the Corporation legally available for the payment of such dividends, and shall be payable quarterly, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors and declared by the Corporation, in arrears on Dividend Payment Dates, commencing with respect to each share of Series E Preferred Stock on the first Dividend Payment Date following issuance of such shares of Series E Preferred Stock. Dividends are

cumulative from the most recent Dividend Payment Date to which dividends have been paid, whether or not in any Dividend Period or Periods there shall be assets legally available therefor. Each such dividend shall be payable in arrears to the holders of

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record of the Series E Preferred Stock, as they appear on the share records of the Corporation at the close of business on such record dates, not more than 30 days preceding the applicable Dividend Payment Date (the "**Dividend Payment Record Date**"), as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Accrued and unpaid dividends for any past Dividend Periods may be authorized and declared and paid at any time, without reference to any regular Dividend Payment Date, to holders of record on such date, not exceeding 30 days preceding the payment date thereof, as may be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(b) The amount of dividends payable for each full Dividend Period for the Series E Preferred Stock shall be computed by dividing the Annual Dividend Rate by four. The amount of dividends payable for the initial Dividend Period, or any other period shorter or longer than a full Dividend Period, on the Series E Preferred Stock shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year. Holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series E Preferred Stock. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series E Preferred Stock that may be in arrears.

(c) So long as any shares of Series E Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series E Preferred Stock as to payment of dividends ("**Dividend Parity Stock**") for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are authorized, declared and paid or authorized, declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series E Preferred Stock for all past Dividend Periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon Series E Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any series or class or classes of Dividend Parity Stock shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accrued and unpaid on the Series E Preferred Stock and such Dividend Parity Stock.

(d) So long as any shares of Series E Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in shares of, or options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of, Junior Shares) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Shares, nor shall any Junior Shares be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than (i) a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, (ii) pursuant to Article VII of the Charter, (iii) as a result of a reclassification of such Junior Shares for or into other Junior Shares, or (iv) the purchase of fractional interests in Junior Shares pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of any securities convertible into or exchangeable for such Junior Shares), for any consideration (or any monies to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Shares), unless in each case the full cumulative dividends on all outstanding Series E Preferred Stock and any Dividend Parity Stock of the Corporation shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past Dividend Periods with respect to the Series E Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Dividend Parity Stock.

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Section 4. Liquidation Preference. (a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation (whether capital or surplus) shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Shares, the holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive \$25.00 per share of the Series E Preferred Stock (the "**Liquidation Preference**") plus an amount equal to all dividends (whether or not earned or declared) accrued and unpaid thereon to the date of final distribution to such holder; but such holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series E Preferred Stock as to such distribution, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be distributed among the holders of such Series E Preferred Stock and any such other stock ratably in accordance with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series E Preferred Stock and any such other stock if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory share exchange and (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall not be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Subject to the rights of the holders of shares of any series or class or classes of shares of stock ranking on a parity with or prior to the Series E Preferred Stock upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Shares shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

#### Section 5. Redemption at the Option of the Corporation.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 7(a), upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Corporation may, at its option, upon not less than 30 nor more than 90 days' written notice, redeem the Series E Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, within 120 days after the first date on which such Change of Control occurred, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon (whether or not declared) to, but not including, the date fixed for redemption (the "**Redemption Price**"); provided that, if the Redemption Date is after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, no additional amount for such accrued and unpaid dividend will be included in the Redemption Price and the dividend payments on such Dividend Payment Date shall be made pursuant to Section 5(d). If, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its

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election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section 5, the holders of Series E Preferred Stock will not have the Change of Control Conversion Right (as hereinafter defined) with respect to the shares called for redemption. If the Corporation elects to redeem any shares of Series E Preferred Stock as described in this Section 5(a), it may use any available cash to pay the Redemption Price, and it will not be required to pay the Redemption Price only out of the proceeds from the issuance of other equity securities or any other specific source. A "Change of Control" shall be deemed to have occurred at such time as (i) (A) the date a "person", including any syndicate or group deemed to be a person within the meaning of Sections 13(d)(3) and 14(d)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Securities Exchange Act") becomes the ultimate "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all shares of voting stock that such person or group has the right to acquire regardless of when such right is first exercisable), directly or indirectly, of voting stock representing more than 50% of the total voting power of the total voting stock of the Corporation; or (B) the date of the consummation of a merger or share exchange of the Corporation with another entity where the Corporation's stockholders immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not beneficially own, immediately after the merger or share exchange, shares representing 50% or more of all votes (without consideration of the rights of any class of stock to elect directors by a separate group vote) to which all stockholders of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange would be entitled in the election of directors, or where members of the Board of Directors immediately prior to the merger or share exchange would not immediately after the merger or share exchange constitute a majority of the board of directors of the corporation issuing cash or securities in the merger or share exchange, and (ii) following the closing of any transaction referred to in clause (i), neither the Corporation nor the acquiring or surviving entity has a class of common equity securities (or American Depositary Receipts representing such securities) listed on the New York Stock Exchange, the NYSE MKT or the NASDAQ Stock Market, or listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system that is a successor to any such securities exchange. "Voting Stock" shall mean stock of any class or kind having the power to vote generally in the election of directors. Any redemption pursuant to this Section 5(a) shall follow generally the procedures set forth in the second paragraph of Section 5(c).

(b) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (a) above, the Series E Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to May 15, 2019. On and after May 15, 2019, the Corporation, at its option, may redeem the shares of Series E Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, as set forth herein, subject to the provisions described below.

(c) On and after May 15, 2019, the Series E Preferred Stock shall be redeemable at the option of the Corporation, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at the Redemption Price. Each date on which Series E Preferred Stock are to be redeemed (a "Redemption Date") shall be selected by the Corporation, shall be specified in the notice of redemption and shall not be less than 30 days or more than 90 days after the date on which the Corporation gives, or causes to be given, notice of redemption by mail pursuant to the next paragraph.

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A notice of redemption (which may be contingent on the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 90 days prior to the Redemption Date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series E Preferred Stock at their respective addresses as they appear on the Corporation's share transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Series E Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given (unless such a holder elects to tender such holder's shares). Each notice shall state: (i) the Redemption Date; (ii) the Redemption Price; (iii) the number of shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series E Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (iv) the place or places where the certificates representing the shares of Series E Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, if any of such shares are certificated; (v) that distributions on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such Redemption Date except as otherwise provided herein; and (vi) if such redemption is being made in connection with a Change of Control, that the holders of the shares of Series E Preferred Stock being so called for redemption will not be able to tender such shares of Series E Preferred Stock for conversion in connection with the Change of Control and that each share of Series E Preferred Stock tendered for conversion that is called, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined below), for redemption will be redeemed on the related date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no notice of redemption will be required where the Corporation elects to redeem Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5(b) and Article VII of the Charter to preserve its REIT qualification for federal income tax purposes.

(d) If the Redemption Date falls after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of Series E Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series E Preferred Stock on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series E Preferred Stock before such Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided in calculating the Redemption Price and in this Section 5(d), the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series E Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(e) If full cumulative dividends for all past dividend periods on the Series E Preferred Stock and any series or class or classes of Dividend Parity Stock have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, except as otherwise permitted under the Charter, the Series E Preferred Stock may not be redeemed in part and the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series E Preferred Stock or any capital stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series E Preferred Stock as to payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, other than in exchange for Junior Shares.

(f) Notice having been mailed as aforesaid, from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Corporation shall fail to make available the amount of cash necessary to effect such redemption), (i) except as otherwise provided herein, dividends on the shares of Series E Preferred Stock so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, (ii) said shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding, and (iii) all rights of the holders thereof as holders of Series E

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Preferred Stock of the Corporation shall cease (except the rights to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest thereon, upon surrender and endorsement of their certificates if so required and to receive any dividends payable thereon). The Corporation's obligation to provide cash in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be deemed fulfilled if, on or before the Redemption Date, the Corporation shall deposit with a bank or trust company (which may be an affiliate of the Corporation) that has an office in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, or in Baltimore, Maryland and that has, or is an affiliate of a bank or trust company that has, a capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, the cash necessary for such redemption, in trust, with irrevocable instructions that such cash be applied to the redemption of the Series E Preferred Stock so called for redemption. No interest shall accrue for the benefit of the holder of Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed on any cash so set aside by the Corporation. Subject to applicable escheat laws, any such cash unclaimed at the end of two years from the Redemption Date shall revert to the general funds of the Corporation, after which reversion the holders of such shares so called for redemption shall look only to the general funds of the Corporation for the payment of such cash.

As promptly as practicable after the surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for any such shares of Series E Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and if the notice shall so state), such shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall be exchanged for the cash (without interest thereon) for which such shares of Series E Preferred Stock have been redeemed. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected by the Corporation from the outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock not previously called for redemption by lot or pro rata (as nearly as may be possible). If fewer than all the shares of Series E Preferred Stock represented by any certificate are redeemed, then new certificates representing the unredeemed shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall be issued without cost to the holder thereof.

**Section 6. Reacquired Shares to Be Retired.** All shares of Series E Preferred Stock that have been issued and reacquired in any manner by the Corporation shall be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock, without designation as to series.

**Section 7. Conversion Rights.** Except as provided in this Section 7, the Series E Preferred Stock are not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation at the option of any holder of Series E Preferred Stock.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series E Preferred Stock shall have the right (unless, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series E Preferred Stock held by such holder pursuant to Section 5, in which case such holder will have the right only with respect to shares of Series E Preferred Stock that are not called for redemption) to convert each of the Series E Preferred Stock held by such holder (the "**Change of Control Conversion Right**") on the Change of Control Conversion Date into a number of shares of Class A Common Stock (the "**Common Stock Conversion Consideration**") equal to the lesser of: (i) the quotient obtained by dividing (x) the sum of the Liquidation Preference per share of Series E Preferred Stock plus the amount of any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon

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to, but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (unless the Change of Control Conversion Date is after a Dividend Payment Record Date and prior to the corresponding Dividend Payment Date for the Series E Preferred Stock, in which case no additional amount for such accrued and unpaid dividends shall be included in this sum) by (y) the Common Stock Price (as defined below) (such quotient, the "**Conversion Rate**"); and (ii) 3.5403 (the "**Share Cap**"), subject to adjustments provided in Section 7(b) below.

(b) The Share Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any share splits (including those effected pursuant to a distribution of Class A Common Stock to existing holders of Class A Common Stock), subdivisions or combinations (in each case, a "**Share Split**") with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Share Cap as the result of a Share Split will be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product obtained by multiplying (i) the Share Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split. For the avoidance of doubt, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence, the aggregate number of shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration (as defined below), as applicable) issuable or deliverable, as applicable, in connection with the exercise of the Change of Control Conversion Right shall not exceed the product of the Share Cap times the aggregate number of shares of the Series E Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at the Change of Control Conversion Date (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable) (the "**Exchange Cap**"). The Exchange Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any Share Splits on the same basis as the corresponding adjustment to the Share Cap.

(c) The "**Change of Control Conversion Date**" is the date the Series E Preferred Stock is to be converted, which shall be a Business Day selected by the Corporation that is no fewer than 20 days nor more than 35 days after the date on which it provides the notice described in Section 7(h) to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock.

(d) The "**Common Stock Price**" is (i) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by the holders of Class A Common Stock is solely cash, the amount of cash consideration per share of Class A Common Stock or (ii) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of Class A Common Stock is other than solely cash (x) the average of the closing sale prices per share of Class A Common Stock (or, if no closing sale price is reported, the average of the closing bid and ask prices per share or, if more than one in either case, the average of the average closing bid and the average closing ask prices per share) for the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the date on which such Change of Control occurred as reported on the principal U.S. securities exchange on which Class A Common Stock is then traded, or (y) the average of the last quoted bid prices for Class A Common Stock in the over-the-counter market as reported by Pink OTC Markets Inc. or similar organization for the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the date on which such Change of Control occurred, if Class A Common Stock is not then listed for trading on a U.S. securities exchange.

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(e) In the case of a Change of Control pursuant to which Class A Common Stock is or will be converted into cash, securities or other property or assets (including any combination thereof) (the "**Alternative Form Consideration**"), a holder of Series E Preferred Stock shall receive upon conversion of such Series E Preferred Stock the kind and amount of Alternative Form Consideration which such holder would have owned or been entitled to receive upon the Change of Control had such holder held a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the Common Stock Conversion Consideration immediately prior to the effective time of the Change of Control (the "**Alternative Conversion Consideration**"; the Common Stock Conversion Consideration or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, whichever shall be applicable to a Change of Control, is referred to as the "**Conversion Consideration**").

(f) If the holders of Class A Common Stock have the opportunity to elect the form of consideration to be received in the Change of Control, the Conversion Consideration in respect of such Change of Control shall be deemed to be the kind and amount of consideration actually received by holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock that made or voted for such an election (if electing between two types of consideration) or holders of a plurality of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock that made or voted for such an election (if electing between more than two types of consideration), as the case may be, and shall be subject to any limitations to which all holders of Class A Common Stock are subject, including, without limitation, pro rata reductions applicable to any portion of the consideration payable in such Change of Control.

(g) No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of the Series E Preferred Stock in connection with a Change of Control. Instead, holders shall be entitled to receive the cash value of such fractional shares based upon the Common Stock Price used in determining the Common Stock Conversion Consideration for such Change of Control.

(h) Within 15 days following the occurrence of a Change of Control, provided that the Corporation has not then exercised its right to redeem all shares of Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5, the Corporation shall provide to holders of Series E Preferred Stock a notice of occurrence of the Change of Control that describes the resulting Change of Control Conversion Right, which notice shall be delivered to the holders of record of the shares of the Series E Preferred Stock in their addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation and shall state: (i) the events constituting the Change of Control; (ii) the date of the Change of Control; (iii) the last date on which the holders of Series E Preferred Stock may exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right; (iv) the method and period for calculating the Common Stock Price; (v) the change of Control Conversion Date; (vi) that if, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem all or any shares of Series E Preferred Stock, holders will not be able to convert the shares of Series E Preferred Stock called for redemption and such shares will be redeemed on the related Redemption Date, even if such shares have already been tendered for conversion pursuant to the Change of Control Conversion Right; (vii) if applicable, the type and amount of Alternative Conversion Consideration entitled to be received per share of Series E Preferred Stock; (viii) the name and address of the paying agent, transfer agent and conversion agent for the Series E Preferred Stock; (ix) the procedures that the holders of Series E Preferred Stock

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must follow to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right (including procedures for surrendering shares for conversion through the facilities of a Depositary (as defined below)), including the form of conversion notice to be delivered by such holders as described below; and (x) the last date on which holders of Series E Preferred Stock may withdraw shares surrendered for conversion and the procedures that such holders must follow to effect such a withdrawal.

(i) The Corporation shall also issue a press release containing such notice provided for in Section 7(h) for publication on Dow Jones & Company, Inc., Business Wire, PR Newswire or Bloomberg Business News (or, if these organizations are not in existence at the time of issuance of the press release, such other news or press organization as is reasonably calculated to broadly disseminate the relevant information to the public), and post a notice on its website, in any event prior to the opening of business on the first Business Day following any date on which it provides the notice provided for in Section 7(h) to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock.

(j) To exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right, the holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be required to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the certificate(s), if any, representing the shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer (or, in the case of any shares of Series E Preferred Stock held in book-entry form through a Depositary, to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be converted through the facilities of such Depositary), together with a written conversion notice in the form provided by the Corporation, duly completed, to its transfer agent. The conversion notice must state: (i) the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date; (ii) the number of shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be converted; and (iii) that the shares of Series E Preferred Stock are to be converted pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Series E Preferred Stock.

(k) Holders of Series E Preferred Stock may withdraw any notice of exercise of a Change of Control Conversion Right (in whole or in part) by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the transfer agent of the Corporation prior to the close of business on the Business Day prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date. The notice of withdrawal delivered by any holder must state: (i) the number of withdrawn shares of Series E Preferred Stock; (ii) if certificated shares of Series E Preferred Stock have been surrendered for conversion, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn shares of Series E Preferred Stock; and (iii) the number of shares of Series E Preferred Stock, if any, which remain subject to the holder's conversion notice.

(l) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Sections 7(j) and (k), if any shares of Series E Preferred Stock are held in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") or a similar depositary (each, a "**Depositary**"), the conversion notice and/or the notice of withdrawal, as applicable, must comply with applicable procedures, if any, of DTC or the applicable Depositary.

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(m) Series E Preferred Stock as to which the Change of Control Conversion Right has been properly exercised and for which the conversion notice has not been properly withdrawn will be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration in accordance with the Change of Control Conversion Right on the Change of Control Conversion Date, unless prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date the Corporation has provided notice of its election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 5, in which case only the shares of Series E Preferred Stock properly surrendered for conversion and not properly withdrawn that are not called for redemption will be converted as aforesaid. If the Corporation elects to redeem shares of Series E Preferred Stock that would otherwise be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration on a Change of Control Conversion Date, such shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall not be so converted and the holders of such shares shall be entitled to receive on the applicable Redemption Date the Redemption Price as provided in Section 5.

(n) The Corporation shall deliver all securities, cash and any other property owing upon conversion no later than the third Business Day following the Change of Control Conversion Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the persons entitled to receive any shares of Class A Common Stock or other securities delivered on conversion will be deemed to have become the holders of record thereof as of the Change of Control Conversion Date.

(o) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Series E Preferred Stock, no holder of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to convert such Series E Preferred Stock into shares of Class A Common Stock or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, as the case may be, to the extent that receipt of such Class A Common Stock or the Alternative Conversion Consideration would cause such holder (or any other person) to exceed the applicable share ownership limitations contained in the Charter or this Articles Supplementary or the governing document of the surviving entity, as the case may be, unless the Corporation provides an exemption from this limitation to such holder pursuant to the Charter and this Articles Supplementary or the surviving entity provides an exemption pursuant to the governing document of the surviving entity.

(p) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein and except as otherwise required by law, the persons who are the holders of record of shares of Series E Preferred Stock at the close of business on a Dividend Payment Record Date shall be entitled to receive the dividend payable on the corresponding Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the conversion of those shares after such Dividend Record Date and on or prior to such Dividend Payment Date and, in such case, the full amount of such dividend shall be paid on such Dividend Payment Date to the persons who were the holders of record at the close of business on such Dividend Record Date. Except as provided in this Section 7(p), the Corporation shall make no allowance for unpaid dividends that are not in arrears on the shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be converted.

Section 8. Permissible Distributions. In determining whether a distribution (other than upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up), whether by dividend, or upon redemption or other acquisition of shares or otherwise, is permitted under Maryland law, amounts that would be needed, if the Corporation were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of holders of shares of any class or series of stock whose preferential rights upon dissolution are superior or prior to those receiving the distribution shall not be added to the Corporation's total liabilities.

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Section 9. Ranking. Any class or series of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to rank:

(a) prior to the Series E Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if the holders of such class or series shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock;

(b) on a parity with the Series E Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, whether or not the dividend rates, dividend payment dates or redemption or liquidation prices per share thereof be different from those of the Series E Preferred Stock, if the holders of such class or series and the Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in proportion to their respective amounts of accrued and unpaid dividends per share or liquidation preferences, without preference or priority one over the other; and

(c) junior to the Series E Preferred Stock, as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, if such class or series of stock shall be Common Stock or if the holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to the holders of such class or series, and such class or series shall not in either case rank prior to the Series E Preferred Stock ("**Junior Shares**").

As of the date hereof, 2,900,000 authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock, 14,900,000 authorized shares of Series B Preferred Stock, 5,750,000 authorized shares of Series C Preferred Stock, 8,050,000 authorized shares of Series D Preferred Stock, 10,400,000 authorized shares of Series F Preferred Stock, 3,450,000 authorized shares of Series G Preferred Stock and 11,500,000 authorized shares of Series H Preferred Stock rank on a parity with the Series E Preferred Stock as to the payment of dividends and as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

Section 10. Voting. Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series E Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action.

If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series E Preferred Stock are in arrears (which shall, with respect to any such quarterly dividend, mean that any such dividend has not been paid in full), whether or not earned or declared, the number of directors then constituting the Board of Directors shall be increased by two and the holders of Series E Preferred Stock, together with the holders of shares of every series or class of Dividend Parity Stock having like voting rights (shares of any such series or class, including the Series A Preferred Stock, the Series B Preferred Stock, the Series C Preferred Stock, the Series D Preferred Stock, the Series F Preferred Stock, the Series G Preferred Stock and the Series H Preferred Stock, the "**Voting Preferred Shares**"), voting as a single class regardless of series, will have the right to elect two additional directors (the "**Preferred Directors**") to serve on the Board of Directors at any annual meeting of stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, or at a special meeting of the holders of Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares called as hereinafter provided. For the avoidance of doubt, in

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the election of both Preferred Directors, any outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock, Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock, Series H Preferred Stock and other Voting Preferred Shares shall vote together as a class, and the affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast by holders of outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock, Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock, Series H Preferred Stock and other Voting Preferred Shares shall be required to elect a Preferred Director. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares then outstanding shall have been paid and full dividends thereon for the current quarterly dividend period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, then the right of the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares to elect such two additional directors shall cease (but subject always to the same provision for the vesting of such voting rights in the case of any similar future arrearages in six quarterly dividends), and the terms of office of the persons elected as director, by the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares shall forthwith terminate and the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall be reduced accordingly. At any time after such voting



power shall have been so vested in the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, the Secretary of the Corporation may, and upon the written request of any holder of Series E Preferred Stock (addressed to the Secretary at the principal office of the Corporation) shall, call a special meeting of the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock and of the Voting Preferred Shares for the election of the directors to be elected by them as herein provided, such call to be made by notice similar to that provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation for a special meeting of the stockholders or as required by law. If any such special meeting required to be called as above provided shall not be called by the Secretary within 20 days after receipt of such request, then any holder of Series E Preferred Stock may call such meeting, upon the notice above provided, and for that purpose shall have access to the stock books of the Corporation. The directors elected at any such special meeting shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in lieu thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as above provided. If any vacancy shall occur among the directors elected by the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, a successor shall be elected by the Board of Directors to serve until the next annual meeting of the stockholders or special meeting held in place thereof, and until their successors are duly elected and qualify, and if such office shall not have previously terminated as provided above. In no event shall the holders of Series E Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to this Section 10 to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed.

So long as any shares of Series E Preferred Stock are outstanding, in addition to any other vote or consent of stockholders required by the Charter, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be necessary for effecting or validating:

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(a) Any amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary (whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise) that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock or the Voting Preferred Shares; provided, however, that (i) the amendment of the provisions of the Charter so as to authorize or create or to increase the authorized amount of, any Junior Shares or any shares of any class or series ranking on a parity with the Series E Preferred Stock as to the payment of dividends or as to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up or the Voting Preferred Shares (including any amendment to increase the amount of authorized shares of Series E Preferred Stock) shall not be deemed to materially adversely affect the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of Series E Preferred Stock and (ii) any filing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland by the Corporation including in connection with a merger, consolidation or otherwise, shall not be deemed to be an amendment, alteration or repeal of any of the provisions of the Charter or these Articles Supplementary that materially and adversely affects the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock, provided that: (1) the Corporation is the surviving entity and the Series E Preferred Stock remain outstanding with the terms thereof materially unchanged in any respect adverse to the holders thereof; or (2) the resulting, surviving or transferee entity is organized under the laws of any state and substitutes or exchanges the Series E Preferred Stock for other preferred stock, shares or other equity interests having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption thereof that are substantially similar to that of the Series E Preferred Stock (except for changes that do not materially and adversely affect the holders of Series E Preferred Stock); and provided further, that if any such amendment, alteration or repeal would materially and adversely affect any voting powers, rights or preferences of the Series E Preferred Stock or one or more but not all series of Voting Preferred Shares at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of at least 66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all series similarly affected, at the time outstanding, voting as a single class regardless of series, given in person or by proxy, either in writing without a meeting or by vote at any meeting called for the purpose, shall be required in lieu of the affirmative vote of at least

66-2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Shares otherwise entitled to vote in accordance herewith; or

(b) The authorization or creation of, or the increase in the authorized amount of, any shares of any class or series or any security convertible into shares of any class or series ranking prior to the Series E Preferred Stock in the distribution on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation or in the payment of dividends; provided, however, that, in the case of each of subparagraphs (a) and (b), no such vote of the holders of Series E Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, shall be required if, at or prior to the time when such amendment, alteration or repeal is to take effect, or when the issuance of any such prior shares or convertible security is to be made, as the case may be, provision is made for the redemption of all Series E Preferred Stock or Voting Preferred Shares, as the case may be, at the time outstanding in accordance with Section 5 hereof or, in the case of a merger, consolidation or otherwise, regardless of the date of the transaction, the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock receive in the transaction their liquidation preference plus accrued and unpaid dividends.

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For purposes of determining the voting rights of the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock under this Section 10, each holder will be entitled to one vote for each Liquidation Preference per share with respect to shares of the Series E Preferred Stock held by such holder. Whether the vote or consent of the holders of a plurality, majority or other portion of the shares of the Series E Preferred Stock and any Voting Preferred Shares has been cast or given on any matter on which the holders of shares of the Series E Preferred Stock are entitled to vote shall be determined by the Corporation by reference to the specified liquidation amounts of the shares voted or covered by the consent.

Section 11. Information Rights. During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act and any shares of Series E Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail to all holders of Series E Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the Corporation's record books and without cost to such holders, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series E Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail the information to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act.



Section 12. **Record Holders.** The Corporation and the Transfer Agent may deem and treat the record holder of any Series E Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the Transfer Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

Section 13. **Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer.** The Series E Preferred Stock constitutes Preferred Stock, and Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock of the Corporation. Therefore, the Series E Preferred Stock, being Capital Stock, is governed by and issued subject to all the limitations, terms and conditions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series E Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

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## EXHIBIT F

### SERIES F PREFERRED STOCK

Under a power contained in the charter (the "Charter") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board") classified and designated 10,400,000 shares of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:

#### **8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock**

(1) **Designation and Number.** A series of Preferred Stock, designated as the "8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock" (the "Series F Preferred Stock"), is hereby established. The par value of the Series F Preferred Stock is \$0.01 per share. The number of shares of the Series F Preferred Stock shall be 10,400,000.

(2) **Ranking.** The Series F Preferred Stock will, with respect to rights to receive dividends and to participate in distributions or payments upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, rank (a) senior to the Common Stock (as defined in the Charter) and any other class of capital stock of the Corporation, now or hereafter issued and outstanding, the terms of which provide that such capital stock ranks, as to the payment of dividends or amounts upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, junior to such Series F Preferred Stock ("Junior Stock"), (b) on a parity with the 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, and the 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, and any equity securities the Corporation may authorize or issue in the future that, pursuant to the terms thereof, rank on parity with the Series F Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation ("Parity Stock"); and (c) junior to any equity securities the Corporation may authorize or issue in the future that, pursuant to the terms thereof, rank senior to the Series F Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation ("Senior Stock"). Any authorization or issuance of Senior Stock would require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock voting together as a single class with all other classes or series of Parity Stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable. Any convertible or exchangeable debt securities that the Corporation may issue are not considered to be equity securities for these purposes.

#### **(3) Dividends.**

(a) Holders of the then outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board and declared by the Corporation, out of funds legally available for payment of dividends, cumulative cash dividends at the rate of 8.50% per annum of the \$25.00 liquidation preference of each share of Series F Preferred Stock (equivalent to \$2.125 per annum per share).

(b) Dividends on each outstanding share of Series F Preferred Stock shall be cumulative from and including January 15, 2017 and shall be payable (i) for the period from January 15, 2017 to April 14, 2017, on April 15, 2017, and (ii) for each quarterly distribution period thereafter, quarterly in equal amounts in arrears on the 15th day of each January, April, July and October, commencing on July 15, 2017 (each such day being hereinafter called a "Series F Dividend Payment Date") at the then applicable annual rate; provided, however, that if any Series F Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day (as hereinafter defined), the dividend that would otherwise have been payable on such Series F Dividend Payment Date may be paid on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if paid on such Series F Dividend Payment Date, and no interest or other sums shall accrue on the amount so payable from such Series F Dividend Payment Date to such next succeeding Business Day. Each dividend is payable to holders of record as they appear on the stock records of the Corporation at the close of business on the record date, not exceeding 30 days preceding the applicable Series F Dividend Payment Date, as shall be fixed by the Board. Dividends shall accumulate from January 15, 2017 or the most recent Series F Dividend Payment Date to which full cumulative dividends have been paid, whether or not in any such dividend period or periods there shall be funds legally available for the payment of such dividends, whether the Corporation has earnings or whether such dividends are authorized. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series F Preferred Stock that may be in arrears. Holders of the Series F Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of full cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series F Preferred Stock. Dividends payable on the Series F Preferred Stock for any period greater or less than a full dividend period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends payable on the Series F Preferred Stock for each full dividend period will be computed by dividing the applicable annual dividend rate by four. After full cumulative distributions on the Series F Preferred Stock have been paid, the holders of Series F Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any further distributions with respect to that dividend period.

(c) So long as any shares of Series F Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of Parity Stock for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been declared and paid or are contemporaneously declared

and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series F Preferred Stock for all prior dividend periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon the Series F Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any other series or class or classes of Parity Stock shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accumulated and unpaid on the Series F Preferred Stock and such Parity Stock.

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(d) So long as any shares of Series F Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in Junior Stock or, in options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase, Junior Stock) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Stock, nor shall any Junior Stock be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, or a conversion into or exchange for Junior Stock or redemptions for the purpose of preserving the Corporation's qualification as a REIT (as defined in the Charter)), for any consideration (or any monies to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Stock), unless in each case full cumulative dividends on all outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock and any Parity Stock at the time such dividends are payable shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past dividend periods with respect to the Series F Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Parity Stock.

(e) Any dividend payment made on the Series F Preferred Stock, including any capital gains dividends, shall first be credited against the earliest accrued but unpaid dividend due with respect to such shares which remains payable.

(f) Except as provided herein, the Series F Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to participate in the earnings or assets of the Corporation.

(g) As used herein, the term "Business Day" shall mean any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close.

(h) As used herein, the term "dividend" does not include dividends payable solely in shares of Junior Stock on Junior Stock, or in options, warrants or rights to holders of Junior Stock to subscribe for or purchase any Junior Stock.

### (4) Liquidation Preference.

(a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Stock, the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive \$25.00 per share (the "Liquidation Preference") plus an amount per share equal to all accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not earned or declared) thereon to, but not including, the date of final distribution to such holders; but such holders of the Series F Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other Parity Stock, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be

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distributed among the holders of such Series F Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Stock ratably in accordance with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series F Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Stock if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, none of (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory stock exchange by the Corporation or (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Until payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, and to the holders of Parity Stock, subject to any terms and provisions applying thereto, no payment will be made to any holder of Junior Stock upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation. Subject to the rights of the holders of Parity Stock, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Stock shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

### (5) Optional Redemption.

(a) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (b) below, the Series F Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to March 20, 2017. On and after March 20, 2017, the Corporation, at its option, upon giving notice as provided below, may redeem the Series F Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock (whether or not declared), to, but not including, the redemption date (the "Regular Redemption Right").

(b) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control (as defined herein), the Corporation will have the option, upon giving notice as provided below, to redeem the Series F Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, within 120 days after the first date on which the Change of Control has occurred (the "Special Redemption Right"), for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock (whether or not declared), to, but not including, the redemption date (the "Special Redemption Price"). If the Corporation exercises its Special Redemption Right in connection with a Change of Control, holders of Series F Preferred Stock will not be permitted to exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right (as defined herein) in respect of any shares of Series F Preferred Stock that have been called for redemption, and any shares of Series F Preferred Stock subsequently called for redemption that have been tendered for conversion will be redeemed on the applicable date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein). Any partial redemption will be selected by lot or pro rata or by any other equitable method the Corporation may choose (including by electing to exercise the Special Redemption Right only with respect to shares of Series F Preferred Stock for which holders have exercised their Change of Control Conversion Right).

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A "Change of Control" will be deemed to have occurred at such time after the original issuance of the Series F Preferred Stock when the following has occurred:

(i) the acquisition by any person, including any syndicate or group deemed to be a "person" under Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act, of beneficial ownership, directly or indirectly, through a purchase, merger or other acquisition transaction or series of purchases, mergers or other acquisition transactions of shares of the Corporation entitling that person to exercise more than 50% of the total voting power of all shares of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in elections of directors (except that such person will be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all securities that such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only upon the occurrence of a subsequent condition); and

(ii) following the closing of any transaction referred to in clause (i) above, neither the Corporation nor the acquiring or surviving entity has a class of common securities or American Depositary Receipts listed on the NYSE, the NYSE Amex Equities, or NYSE Amex, or NASDAQ, or listed on an exchange that is a successor to the NYSE, NYSE Amex or NASDAQ.

(c) The following provisions set forth the general procedures for redemption applicable to redemptions pursuant to the Regular Redemption Right and the Special Redemption

Right:

(i) Upon any redemption date applicable to Series F Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay on each share of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed any accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared), in arrears, for any dividend period ending on or prior to the redemption date. If a redemption date falls after a record date for a Series F Preferred Stock dividend payment and prior to the corresponding Series F Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of the Series F Preferred Stock at the close of business on such record date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series F Preferred Stock on the corresponding Series F Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series F Preferred Stock prior to such Series F Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on any shares of Series F Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(ii) If full cumulative dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock and any class or classes of Parity Stock have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series F Preferred Stock in part or any Parity Stock other than in exchange for Junior Stock; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the purchase by the Corporation of shares held in excess of the limits set forth in the Charter in order to ensure that the Corporation continues to meet the requirements for qualification as a REIT.

(iii) On and after the date fixed for redemption, provided that the Corporation has made available at the office of the registrar and transfer agent a sufficient amount of cash to effect the redemption, dividends will cease to accrue on the shares of Series F Preferred Stock called for redemption (except that, in the case of a redemption date after a dividend payment record date and prior to the related Series F Dividend Payment Date, holders of Series F Preferred Stock on the applicable dividend payment record date will be entitled on such Series F Dividend Payment Date to receive the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series F Dividend Payment Date), such shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares as holders of Series F Preferred Stock shall cease except the right to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest from the date of such redemption.

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(d) The following provisions set forth the procedures for redemption, in addition to those general procedures set forth in Section 5(c) hereof, pursuant to the Regular Redemption

Right:

(i) A notice of redemption (which may be contingent upon the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the holders of record of the Series F Preferred Stock at their addresses as they appear on the Corporation's stock transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any shares of the Series F Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. In addition to any information required by law or by the applicable rules of any exchange upon which the Series F Preferred Stock may be listed or admitted to trading, each notice shall state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series F Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (D) the place or places where the certificates, if any, evidencing the shares of Series F Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (E) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date except as otherwise provided herein.

(ii) If fewer than all the outstanding shares of the Series F Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or pro rata (as nearly as practicable without creating fractional shares) or by any other equitable method the Corporation may choose.

(iii) At its election, the Corporation, prior to a redemption date, may irrevocably deposit the redemption price (including accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date) of the Series F Preferred Stock so called for redemption in trust for the holders thereof with a bank or trust company, in which case the redemption notice to holders of the Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall (A) state the date of such deposit, (B) specify the office of such bank or trust company as the place of payment of the redemption price and (C) require such holders to surrender the certificates evidencing such shares at such place on or about the date fixed in such redemption notice (which may not be later than the redemption date) against payment of the redemption price (including all accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date). Subject to applicable escheat laws, any monies so deposited which remain unclaimed by the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock at the end of two years after the redemption date shall be returned by such bank or trust company to the Corporation.

(e) The following provisions set forth the procedures for redemption, in addition to those general procedures set forth in Section 5(c) hereof, pursuant to the Special Redemption

Right:

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(i) A notice of special optional redemption will be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the holders of record of the Series F Preferred Stock at their addresses as they appear on the Corporation's stock transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing will

not affect the validity of the proceedings for the special optional redemption of the shares of Series F Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice will state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (D) the place or places where the certificates, if any, evidencing the shares of Series F Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment; (E) that the shares of Series F Preferred Stock are being redeemed pursuant to the Corporation's special optional redemption right in connection with the occurrence of a Change of Control and a brief description of the transaction or transactions constituting such Change of Control; (F) that the holders of shares of Series F Preferred Stock to which the notice relates will not be able to tender such shares of Series F Preferred Stock for conversion in connection with the Change of Control and each share of Series F Preferred Stock tendered for conversion that is selected for redemption, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, will be redeemed on the related date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date; and (G) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date except as otherwise provided herein.

(ii) If fewer than all the shares of Series F Preferred Stock held by any holder are to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder will also specify the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or pro rata or by any other equitable method the Corporation may choose (including by electing to exercise the Special Redemption Right only with respect to shares of Series F Preferred Stock for which holders have exercised their Change of Control Conversion Right).

(iii) On and after the date fixed for redemption, provided that the Corporation has given a notice of redemption and has paid or set aside sufficient funds for the redemption in trust for the benefit of the holders of shares of Series F Preferred Stock called for redemption, those shares of Series F Preferred Stock will be treated as no longer being outstanding, no further dividends will accrue on the share of Series F Preferred Stock called for redemption and all other rights of the holders of those shares of Series F Preferred Stock will terminate (except that, in the case of a redemption date after a dividend payment record date and prior to the related Series F Dividend Payment Date, holders of Series F Preferred Stock on the applicable record date will be entitled on such Series F Dividend Payment Date to receive the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series F Dividend Payment Date). The holders of those shares of Series F Preferred Stock will retain their right to receive the redemption price for their shares and any accrued and unpaid dividends to (but not including) the redemption date, without interest from the date of such redemption.

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(iv) At its election, the Corporation, prior to a redemption date, may irrevocably deposit the redemption price (including accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date) of the Series F Preferred Stock so called for redemption in trust for the holders thereof with a bank or trust company, in which case the redemption notice to holders of the Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall (A) state the date of such deposit, (B) specify the office of such bank or trust company as the place of payment of the redemption price and (C) require such holders to surrender the certificates evidencing such shares at such place on or about the date fixed in such redemption notice (which may not be later than the redemption date) against payment of the redemption price (including all accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date). Subject to applicable escheat laws, any monies so deposited which remain unclaimed by the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock at the end of two years after the redemption date shall be returned by such bank or trust company to the Corporation.

(f) Any shares of Series F Preferred Stock that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued Preferred Stock, without designation as to series until such shares are once more designated as part of a particular series by the Board.

(6) **Voting Rights.** Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series F Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action. In any matter in which the holders of Series F Preferred Stock are entitled to vote, each such holder shall have the right to one vote for each share of Series F Preferred Stock held by such holder.

(a) If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series F Preferred Stock are in arrears, whether or not earned or declared, the number of members then constituting the Board will be increased by two and the holders of Series F Preferred Stock, voting together as a class with the holders of any other series of Parity Stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable (any such other series, the "Voting Preferred Stock"), will have the right to elect two additional directors of the Corporation (the "Preferred Stock Directors") at an annual meeting of stockholders or a properly called special meeting of the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock and such Voting Preferred Stock and at each subsequent annual meeting of stockholders until all such dividends and dividends for the then current quarterly period on the Series F Preferred Stock and such other Voting Preferred Stock have been paid or declared and set aside for payment. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock then outstanding have been paid and full dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock for the then current quarterly dividend period have been paid in full or declared and set apart for payment in full, then the right of the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock to elect the two Preferred Stock Directors will cease, the terms of office of the Preferred Stock Directors will forthwith terminate and the number of members of the Board will be reduced accordingly; provided, however, that the right of the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock to elect the Preferred Stock Directors will again vest if and whenever six quarterly dividends are in arrears, as described above. In no event shall the holders of Series F Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to these voting rights to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed. In class votes with other Voting Preferred Stock, preferred stock of different series shall vote in proportion to the liquidation preference of the preferred stock.

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(b) So long as any shares of Series F Preferred Stock are outstanding, the approval of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of outstanding Series F Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class, either at a meeting of stockholders or by written consent, is required (i) to amend, alter or repeal any provisions of the Charter (including these Articles Supplementary), whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, to affect materially and adversely the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock, unless in connection with any such amendment, alteration or repeal, the Series F Preferred Stock remains outstanding without the terms thereof being materially changed in any respect adverse to the holders thereof or is converted into or exchanged for preferred stock of the surviving entity having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption thereof that are substantially similar to those of the Series F Preferred Stock, or (ii) to authorize, create, or increase the authorized amount of any class or series of capital stock having rights senior to the Series F Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or amounts upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up (provided that if such amendment affects materially and adversely the rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of one or more but not all of the other series of Voting Preferred Stock, the consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of each such series so affected is required). However, the Corporation may create additional classes of Parity Stock and Junior Stock, amend the Charter and these Articles Supplementary to increase the authorized number of shares of Parity Stock (including the Series F Preferred Stock) and Junior Stock and issue additional series of Parity Stock and Junior Stock without the consent of any holder of Series F Preferred Stock.

(c) The foregoing voting provisions shall not apply if, at or prior to the time when the act with respect to which such vote would otherwise be required shall be effected, all outstanding Series F Preferred Stock shall have been redeemed or called for redemption upon proper notice and sufficient funds shall have been deposited in trust to effect such redemption.

(7) *Information Rights.* During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and any shares of Series F Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail (or other permissible means under the Exchange Act) to all holders of Series F Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the record books of the Corporation and without cost to such holders, copies of the annual reports on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q that the Corporation would have been required to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act if the Corporation were subject thereto (other than any exhibits that would have been required) and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series F Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail (or otherwise provide) the information to the holders of Series F Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, in each case, based on the dates on which the Corporation would be required to file such periodic reports if the Corporation were a "non-accelerated filer" within the meaning of the Exchange Act.

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(8) *Other Limitations; Ownership and Transfer of the Series F Preferred Stock.* The Series F Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock (as defined in the Charter) of the Corporation and is governed by and issued subject to all the ownership and transfer restrictions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series F Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

(9) *Conversion Upon a Change of Control.* The Series F Preferred Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except as provided in this Section 9.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series F Preferred Stock will have the right, subject to the Special Redemption Right of the Corporation, to convert some or all of the shares of Series F Preferred Stock held by such holder (the "Change of Control Conversion Right") on the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein) into a number of shares of Class A Common Stock (as defined in the Charter) per share of Series F Preferred Stock (the "Common Stock Conversion Consideration") equal to the lesser of (A) the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of (x) \$25.00, plus (y) an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared) to, but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein), except if such Change of Control Conversion Date is after a record date for a Series F Preferred Stock dividend payment and prior to the corresponding Series F Dividend Payment Date, in which case the amount pursuant to this clause (i)(y) shall equal \$0.00 in respect of such dividend payment to be made on such Series F Dividend Payment Date, by (ii) the Common Stock Price (as defined herein) (such quotient, the "Conversion Rate"), and (B) 4.3718 (the "Share Cap"), subject to the immediately succeeding paragraph.

The Share Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any share splits (including those effected pursuant to a Class A Common Stock dividend), subdivisions or combinations (in each case, a "Share Split") with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Share Cap as the result of a Share Split shall be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product of (i) the Share Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split.

For the avoidance of doubt, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence, the aggregate number of shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration (as defined herein), as applicable) issuable in connection with the exercise of the Change of Control Conversion Right shall not exceed 22,733,222 shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative

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Conversion Consideration, as applicable), subject to increase to the extent the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Series F Preferred Stock in the initial public offering of Series F Preferred Stock is exercised, not to exceed 26,143,205 shares of Class A Common Stock in total (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable) (the "Exchange Cap"). The Exchange Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any Share Splits with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Exchange Cap as the result of a Share Split will be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product of (i) the Exchange Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split.

In the case of a Change of Control as a result of which holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to receive consideration other than solely shares of Class A Common Stock, including other securities, other property or assets (including cash or any combination thereof) with respect to or in exchange for shares of Class A Common Stock (the "Alternative Form Consideration"), a holder of Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled thereafter to convert (subject to the Corporation's Special Redemption Right) such Series F Preferred Stock not into Class A Common Stock but solely into the kind and amount of Alternative Form Consideration which the holder of Series F Preferred Stock would have owned or been entitled to receive upon such Change of Control as if such holder of Series F Preferred Stock then held the Common Stock Conversion Consideration immediately prior to the effective time of the Change of Control (the "Alternative Conversion Consideration," and the Common Stock Conversion Consideration or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, as may be applicable to a Change of Control, shall be referred to herein as the "Conversion Consideration").

If the holders of Class A Common Stock have the opportunity to elect the form of consideration to be received in such Change of Control, the Conversion Consideration will be deemed to be the kind and amount of consideration actually received by holders of a majority of Class A Common Stock that voted for such an election (if electing between two types of consideration) or holders of a plurality of Class A Common Stock that voted for such an election (if electing between more than two types of consideration), as the case may be.

As used herein, "Common Stock Price" will mean (i) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of shares of Class A Common Stock is solely cash, the amount of cash consideration per share of Class A Common Stock, (ii) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of Class A Common Stock is other than solely cash, the average of the closing price per share of Class A Common Stock on the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the effective date of the Change of Control, and

(iii) if there is not a readily determinable closing price for the Class A Common Stock or Alternative Form Consideration (as defined herein), the fair market value of Class A Common Stock or such Alternative Form Consideration (as determined by the Board or a committee thereof).

(b) No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of Series F Preferred Stock. In lieu of fractional shares, holders shall be entitled to receive the cash value of such fractional shares based on the Common Stock Price.

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(c) Within 15 days following the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Corporation shall provide to holders of Series F Preferred Stock a notice of occurrence of the Change of Control that describes the resulting Change of Control Conversion Right. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the conversion of any Series F Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice shall state the following: (i) the events constituting the Change of Control; (ii) the date of the Change of Control; (iii) the last date on which the holders of Series F Preferred Stock may exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right, which shall be the Change of Control Conversion Date; (iv) the method and period for calculating the Common Stock Price; (v) the Change of Control Conversion Date, which will be a business day occurring within 20 to 35 days following the date of the notice; (vi) if applicable, the type and amount of Alternative Conversion Consideration entitled to be received per share of Series F Preferred Stock; (vii) the name and address of the paying agent and the conversion agent; and (viii) the procedures that the holders of Series F Preferred Stock must follow to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right.

(d) The Corporation shall issue a press release for publication on the Dow Jones & Company, Inc., Business Wire, PR Newswire or Bloomberg Business News (or, if such organizations are not in existence at the time of issuance of such press release, such other news or press organization as is reasonably calculated to broadly disseminate the relevant information to the public), or post notice on the Corporation's website, in any event prior to the opening of business on the first Business Day following any date on which the Corporation provides notice pursuant to paragraph (c) above to the holders of Series F Preferred Stock.

(e) In order to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right, a holder of Series F Preferred Stock shall be required to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the certificates (if any) evidencing the shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer, together with a written conversion notice completed, to the transfer agent. Such conversion notice shall state: (i) the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date; (ii) the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be converted; and (iii) that the shares of Series F Preferred Stock are to be converted pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Series F Preferred Stock. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Series F Preferred Stock are held in global form, such notice shall comply with applicable procedures of the Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). The "Change of Control Conversion Date" shall be a Business Day set forth in the notice of Change of Control provided in accordance with paragraph 9(c) hereof that is no less than 20 days nor more than 35 days after the date on which the Corporation gives such notice pursuant to paragraph 9(c) hereof.

(f) Holders of Series F Preferred Stock may withdraw any notice of exercise of a Change of Control Conversion Right (in whole or in part) by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the Corporation's transfer agent prior to the close of business on the Business Day prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date. The notice of withdrawal must state: (i) the number of withdrawn shares of Series F Preferred Stock; (ii) if certificated shares of Series F Preferred Stock have been issued, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn shares of Series F Preferred Stock; and (iii) the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock, if any, which remain subject to the conversion notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Series F Preferred Stock are held in global form, the notice of withdrawal shall comply with applicable DTC procedures.

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(g) Series F Preferred Stock as to which the Change of Control Conversion Right has been properly exercised and for which the conversion notice has not been properly withdrawn shall be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration in accordance with the Change of Control Conversion Right on the Change of Control Conversion Date.

(h) In connection with the exercise of any Change of Control Conversion Right, the Corporation will comply with all U.S. federal and state securities laws and stock exchange rules in connection with any conversion of Series F Preferred Stock into Class A Common Stock. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no holder of Series F Preferred Stock will be entitled to convert such Series F Preferred Stock for Class A Common Stock to the extent that receipt of such Class A Common Stock would cause such holder (or any other person) to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own, within the meaning of the Charter, Common Stock of the Corporation in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit, as such term is defined in the Charter.

(10) *Record Holders.* The Corporation and the transfer agent for the Series F Preferred Stock may deem and treat the record holder of any Series F Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the transfer agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

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## EXHIBIT G

### SERIES G PREFERRED STOCK

Under a power contained in the charter (the "Charter") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board") classified and designated 3,450,000 shares of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:



### **7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock**

(1) *Designation and Number.* A series of Preferred Stock, designated as the "7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock" (the "Series G Preferred Stock"), is hereby established. The par value of the Series G Preferred Stock is \$0.01 per share. The number of shares of the Series G Preferred Stock shall be 3,450,000.

(2) *Ranking.* The Series G Preferred Stock will, with respect to rights to receive dividends and to participate in distributions or payments upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, rank (a) senior to the Common Stock (as defined in the Charter) and any other class of capital stock of the Corporation, now or hereafter issued and outstanding, the terms of which provide that such capital stock ranks, as to the payment of dividends or amounts upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, junior to such Series G Preferred Stock ("Junior Stock"), (b) on a parity with the 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, and the 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, and any equity securities the Corporation may authorize or issue in the future that, pursuant to the terms thereof, rank on parity with the Series G Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation ("Parity Stock"); and (c) junior to any equity securities the Corporation may authorize or issue in the future that, pursuant to the terms thereof, rank senior to the Series G Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation ("Senior Stock"). Any authorization or issuance of Senior Stock would require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock voting together as a single class with all other classes or series of Parity Stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable. Any convertible or exchangeable debt securities that the Corporation may issue are not considered to be equity securities for these purposes.

#### **(3) Dividends.**

(a) Holders of the then outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board and declared by the Corporation, out of funds legally available for payment of dividends, cumulative cash dividends at the rate of 7.50% per annum of the \$25.00 liquidation preference of each share of Series G Preferred Stock (equivalent to \$1.875 per annum per share).

(b) Dividends on each outstanding share of Series G Preferred Stock shall be cumulative from and including January 15, 2017 and shall be payable (i) for the period from January 15, 2017 to April 14, 2017, on April 15, 2017, and (ii) for each quarterly distribution period thereafter, quarterly in equal amounts in arrears on the 15th day of each January, April, July and October, commencing on July 15, 2017 (each such day being hereinafter called a "Series G Dividend Payment Date") at the then applicable annual rate; provided, however, that if any Series G Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day (as hereinafter defined), the dividend that would otherwise have been payable on such Series G Dividend Payment Date may be paid on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if paid on such Series G Dividend Payment Date, and no interest or other sums shall accrue on the amount so payable from such Series G Dividend Payment Date to such next succeeding Business Day. Each dividend is payable to holders of record as they appear on the stock records of the Corporation at the close of business on the record date, not exceeding 30 days preceding the applicable Series G Dividend Payment Date, as shall be fixed by the Board. Dividends shall accumulate from January 15, 2017 or the most recent Series G Dividend Payment Date to which full cumulative dividends have been paid, whether or not in any such dividend period or periods there shall be funds legally available for the payment of such dividends, whether the Corporation has earnings or whether such dividends are authorized. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series G Preferred Stock that may be in arrears. Holders of the Series G Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of full cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series G Preferred Stock. Dividends payable on the Series G Preferred Stock for any period greater or less than a full dividend period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends payable on the Series G Preferred Stock for each full dividend period will be computed by dividing the applicable annual dividend rate by four. After full cumulative distributions on the Series G Preferred Stock have been paid, the holders of Series G Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any further distributions with respect to that dividend period.

(c) So long as any shares of Series G Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of Parity Stock for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been declared and paid or are contemporaneously declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series G Preferred Stock for all prior dividend periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon the Series G Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any other series or class or classes of Parity Stock shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accumulated and unpaid on the Series G Preferred Stock and such Parity Stock.

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(d) So long as any shares of Series G Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in Junior Stock of, or in options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase, Junior Stock) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Stock, nor shall any Junior Stock be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, or a conversion into or exchange for Junior Stock or redemptions for the purpose of preserving the Corporation's qualification as a REIT (as defined in the Charter)), for any consideration (or any monies to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Stock), unless in each case full cumulative dividends on all outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock and any Parity Stock at the time such dividends are payable shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past dividend periods with respect to the Series G Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Parity Stock.

(e) Any dividend payment made on the Series G Preferred Stock, including any capital gains dividends, shall first be credited against the earliest accrued but unpaid dividend due with respect to such shares which remains payable.

(f) Except as provided herein, the Series G Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to participate in the earnings or assets of the Corporation.



(g) As used herein, the term "Business Day" shall mean any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close.

(h) As used herein, the term "dividend" does not include dividends payable solely in shares of Junior Stock on Junior Stock, or in options, warrants or rights to holders of Junior Stock to subscribe for or purchase any Junior Stock.

#### (4) Liquidation Preference.

(a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Stock, the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive \$25.00 per share (the "Liquidation Preference") plus an amount per share equal to all accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not earned or declared) thereon to, but not including, the date of final distribution to such holders; but such holders of the Series G Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other Parity Stock, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be distributed among the holders of such Series G Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Stock

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ratably in accordance with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series G Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Stock if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, none of (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory stock exchange by the Corporation or (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Until payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, and to the holders of Parity Stock, subject to any terms and provisions applying thereto, no payment will be made to any holder of Junior Stock upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation. Subject to the rights of the holders of Parity Stock, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Stock shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

#### (5) Optional Redemption.

(a) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (b) below, the Series G Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to June 19, 2019. On and after June 19, 2019, the Corporation, at its option, upon giving notice as provided below, may redeem the Series G Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock (whether or not declared), to, but not including, the redemption date (the "Regular Redemption Right").

(b) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control (as defined herein), the Corporation will have the option, upon giving notice as provided below, to redeem the Series G Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, within 120 days after the first date on which the Change of Control has occurred (the "Special Redemption Right"), for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock (whether or not declared), to, but not including, the redemption date (the "Special Redemption Price"). If the Corporation exercises its Special Redemption Right in connection with a Change of Control, holders of Series G Preferred Stock will not be permitted to exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right (as defined herein) in respect of any shares of Series G Preferred Stock that have been called for redemption, and any shares of Series G Preferred Stock subsequently called for redemption that have been tendered for conversion will be redeemed on the applicable date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein). Any partial redemption will be selected by lot or pro rata.

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A "Change of Control" will be deemed to have occurred at such time after the original issuance of the Series G Preferred Stock when the following has occurred:

(i) the acquisition by any person, including any syndicate or group deemed to be a "person" under Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act, of beneficial ownership, directly or indirectly, through a purchase, merger or other acquisition transaction or series of purchases, mergers or other acquisition transactions of shares of the Corporation entitling that person to exercise more than 50% of the total voting power of all shares of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in elections of directors (except that such person will be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all securities that such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only upon the occurrence of a subsequent condition); and

(ii) following the closing of any transaction referred to in clause (i) above, neither the Corporation nor the acquiring or surviving entity has a class of common securities or American Depositary Receipts listed on the NYSE, the NYSE Amex Equities, or NYSE Amex, or NASDAQ, or listed on an exchange that is a successor to the NYSE, NYSE Amex or NASDAQ.

(c) The following provisions set forth the general procedures for redemption applicable to redemptions pursuant to the Regular Redemption Right and the Special Redemption Right:

(i) Upon any redemption date applicable to Series G Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay on each share of Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed any accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared), in arrears, for any dividend period ending on or prior to the redemption date. If a redemption date falls after a record date for a Series G Preferred Stock dividend payment and prior to the corresponding Series G Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of the Series G Preferred Stock at the close of business on such record date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series G Preferred Stock on the corresponding Series G Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series G Preferred Stock prior to such Series G Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on any shares of Series G Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(ii) If full cumulative dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock and any class or classes of Parity Stock have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series G Preferred Stock in part or any Parity Stock other than in exchange for Junior Stock; provided, however, that the foregoing shall

not prevent the purchase by the Corporation of shares held in excess of the limits set forth in the Charter in order to ensure that the Corporation continues to meet the requirements for qualification as a REIT.

(iii) On and after the date fixed for redemption, provided that the Corporation has made available at the office of the registrar and transfer agent a sufficient amount of cash to effect the redemption, dividends will cease to accrue on the shares of Series G Preferred Stock called for redemption (except that, in the case of a redemption date after a dividend payment record date and prior to the related Series G Dividend Payment Date, holders of Series G Preferred Stock on the applicable dividend payment record date will be entitled on such Series G Dividend Payment Date to receive the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series G Dividend Payment Date), such shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares as holders of Series G Preferred Stock shall cease except the right to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest from the date of such redemption.

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(d) The following provisions set forth the procedures for redemption, in addition to those general procedures set forth in Section 5(c) hereof, pursuant to the Regular Redemption Right.

(i) A notice of redemption (which may be contingent upon the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the holders of record of the Series G Preferred Stock at their addresses as they appear on the Corporation's stock transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any shares of the Series G Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. In addition to any information required by law or by the applicable rules of any exchange upon which the Series G Preferred Stock may be listed or admitted to trading, each notice shall state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series G Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (D) the place or places where the certificates, if any, evidencing the shares of Series G Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (E) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date except as otherwise provided herein.

(ii) If fewer than all the outstanding shares of the Series G Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or pro rata (as nearly as practicable without creating fractional shares).

(iii) At its election, the Corporation, prior to a redemption date, may irrevocably deposit the redemption price (including accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date) of the Series G Preferred Stock so called for redemption in trust for the holders thereof with a bank or trust company, in which case the redemption notice to holders of the Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall (A) state the date of such deposit, (B) specify the office of such bank or trust company as the place of payment of the redemption price and (C) require such holders to surrender the certificates evidencing such shares at such place on or about the date fixed in such redemption notice (which may not be later than the redemption date) against payment of the redemption price (including all accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date). Subject to applicable escheat laws, any monies so deposited which remain unclaimed by the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock at the end of two years after the redemption date shall be returned by such bank or trust company to the Corporation.

(e) The following provisions set forth the procedures for redemption, in addition to those general procedures set forth in Section 5(c) hereof, pursuant to the Special Redemption Right.

(i) A notice of special optional redemption will be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the holders of record of the Series G Preferred Stock at their addresses as they appear on the Corporation's stock transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing will not affect the validity of the proceedings for the special optional redemption of the shares of Series G Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice will state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (D) the place or places where

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the certificates, if any, evidencing the shares of Series G Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment; (E) that the shares of Series G Preferred Stock are being redeemed pursuant to the Corporation's special optional redemption right in connection with the occurrence of a Change of Control and a brief description of the transaction or transactions constituting such Change of Control;

(F) that the holders of shares of Series G Preferred Stock to which the notice relates will not be able to tender such shares of Series G Preferred Stock for conversion in connection with the Change of Control and each share of Series G Preferred Stock tendered for conversion that is selected for redemption, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, will be redeemed on the related date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date; and (G) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date except as otherwise provided herein.

(ii) If fewer than all the shares of Series G Preferred Stock held by any holder are to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder will also specify the number of shares of Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or pro rata.

(iii) On and after the date fixed for redemption, provided that the Corporation has given a notice of redemption and has paid or set aside sufficient funds for the redemption in trust for the benefit of the holders of shares of Series G Preferred Stock called for redemption, those shares of Series G Preferred Stock will be treated as no longer being outstanding, no further dividends will accrue on the share of Series G Preferred Stock called for redemption and all other rights of the holders of those shares of Series G Preferred Stock will terminate (except that, in the case of a redemption date after a dividend payment record date and prior to the related Series G Dividend Payment Date, holders of Series G Preferred Stock on the applicable record date will be entitled on such Series G Dividend Payment Date to receive the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series G Dividend Payment Date). The holders of those shares of Series G Preferred Stock will retain their right to receive the redemption price for their shares and any accrued and unpaid dividends to (but not including) the redemption date, without interest from the date of such redemption.

(iv) At its election, the Corporation, prior to a redemption date, may irrevocably deposit the redemption price (including accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date) of the Series G Preferred Stock so called for redemption in trust for the holders thereof with a bank or trust company, in which case the redemption notice to holders of the Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall (A) state the date of such deposit, (B) specify the office of such bank or trust company as the place of payment of the redemption price and (C) require such holders to surrender the certificates evidencing such shares at such place on or about the date fixed in such redemption notice (which may not be later than the redemption date) against payment of the redemption price (including all accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date). Subject to applicable escheat laws, any monies so deposited

which remain unclaimed by the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock at the end of two years after the redemption date shall be returned by such bank or trust company to the Corporation.

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(f) Any shares of Series G Preferred Stock that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued Preferred Stock, without designation as to series until such shares are once more designated as part of a particular series by the Board.

(6) *Voting Rights.* Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series G Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action. In any matter in which the holders of Series G Preferred Stock are entitled to vote, each such holder shall have the right to one vote for each share of Series G Preferred Stock held by such holder.

(a) If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series G Preferred Stock are in arrears, whether or not earned or declared, the number of members then constituting the Board will be increased by two and the holders of Series G Preferred Stock, voting together as a class with the holders of any other series of Parity Stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable (any such other series, the "Voting Preferred Stock"), will have the right to elect two additional directors of the Corporation (the "Preferred Stock Directors") at an annual meeting of stockholders or a properly called special meeting of the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock and such Voting Preferred Stock and at each subsequent annual meeting of stockholders until all such dividends and dividends for the then current quarterly period on the Series G Preferred Stock and such other Voting Preferred Stock have been paid or declared and set aside for payment. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock then outstanding have been paid and full dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock for the then current quarterly dividend period have been paid in full or declared and set apart for payment in full, then the right of the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock to elect the two Preferred Stock Directors will cease, the terms of office of the Preferred Stock Directors will forthwith terminate and the number of members of the Board will be reduced accordingly; provided, however, that the right of the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock to elect the Preferred Stock Directors will again vest if and whenever six quarterly dividends are in arrears, as described above. In no event shall the holders of Series G Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to these voting rights to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed. In class votes with other Voting Preferred Stock, preferred stock of different series shall vote in proportion to the liquidation preference of the preferred stock.

(b) So long as any shares of Series G Preferred Stock are outstanding, the approval of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of outstanding Series G Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class, either at a meeting of stockholders or by written consent, is required (i) to amend, alter or repeal any provisions of the Charter (including these Articles Supplementary), whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, to affect materially and adversely the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock, unless in connection with any such amendment, alteration or repeal, the Series G Preferred Stock remains outstanding without the terms thereof being materially changed in any respect adverse to the holders thereof or is converted into or exchanged for preferred stock of the surviving entity having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption

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thereof that are substantially similar to those of the Series G Preferred Stock, or (ii) to authorize, create, or increase the authorized amount of any class or series of capital stock having rights senior to the Series G Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or amounts upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up (provided that if such amendment affects materially and adversely the rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of one or more but not all of the other series of Voting Preferred Stock, the consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of each such series so affected is required). However, the Corporation may create additional classes of Parity Stock and Junior Stock, amend the Charter and these Articles Supplementary to increase the authorized number of shares of Parity Stock (including the Series G Preferred Stock) and Junior Stock and issue additional series of Parity Stock and Junior Stock without the consent of any holder of Series G Preferred Stock.

(c) The foregoing voting provisions shall not apply if, at or prior to the time when the act with respect to which such vote would otherwise be required shall be effected, all outstanding Series G Preferred Stock shall have been redeemed or called for redemption upon proper notice and sufficient funds shall have been deposited in trust to effect such redemption.

(7) *Information Rights.* During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and any shares of Series G Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail (or other permissible means under the Exchange Act) to all holders of Series G Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the record books of the Corporation and without cost to such holders, copies of the annual reports on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q that the Corporation would have been required to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act if the Corporation were subject thereto (other than any exhibits that would have been required) and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series G Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail (or otherwise provide) the information to the holders of Series G Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, in each case, based on the dates on which the Corporation would be required to file such periodic reports if the Corporation were a "non-accelerated filer" within the meaning of the Exchange Act.

(8) *Other Limitations; Ownership and Transfer of the Series G Preferred Stock.* The Series G Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock (as defined in the Charter) of the Corporation and is governed by and issued subject to all the ownership and transfer restrictions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series G Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

(9) *Conversion Upon a Change of Control.* The Series G Preferred Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except as provided in this Section 9.

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(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series G Preferred Stock will have the right, subject to the Special Redemption Right of the Corporation, to convert some or all of the shares of Series G Preferred Stock held by such holder (the "Change of Control Conversion Right") on the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein) into a number of shares of Class A Common Stock (as defined in the Charter) per share of Series G Preferred Stock (the "Common Stock Conversion Consideration") equal to the lesser of (A) the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of (x) \$25.00, plus (y) an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared) to, but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein), except if such Change of Control Conversion Date is after a record date for a Series G Preferred Stock dividend payment and prior to the corresponding Series G Dividend Payment Date, in which case the amount pursuant to this clause (i)(y) shall equal \$0.00 in respect of such dividend payment to be made on such Series G Dividend Payment Date, by (ii) the Common Stock Price (as defined herein) (such quotient, the "Conversion Rate"), and (B) 3.2936 (the "Share Cap"), subject to the immediately succeeding paragraph.

The Share Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any share splits (including those effected pursuant to a Class A Common Stock dividend), subdivisions or combinations (in each case, a "Share Split") with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Share Cap as the result of a Share Split shall be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product of (i) the Share Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split.

For the avoidance of doubt, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence, the aggregate number of shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration (as defined herein), as applicable) issuable in connection with the exercise of the Change of Control Conversion Right shall not exceed 9,880,809 shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable), subject to increase to the extent the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Series G Preferred Stock in the initial public offering of Series G Preferred Stock is exercised, not to exceed 11,362,931 shares of Class A Common Stock in total (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable) (the "Exchange Cap"). The Exchange Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any Share Splits with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Exchange Cap as the result of a Share Split will be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product of (i) the Exchange Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split.

In the case of a Change of Control as a result of which holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to receive consideration other than solely shares of Class A Common Stock, including other securities, other property or assets (including cash or any combination thereof) with respect to or in exchange for shares of Class A Common Stock (the "Alternative Form Consideration"), a holder of Series G Preferred Stock shall be entitled thereafter to convert (subject to the Corporation's Special Redemption Right) such Series G Preferred Stock not into Class A Common Stock but solely into the kind and amount of Alternative Form Consideration

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which the holder of Series G Preferred Stock would have owned or been entitled to receive upon such Change of Control as if such holder of Series G Preferred Stock then held the Common Stock Conversion Consideration immediately prior to the effective time of the Change of Control (the "Alternative Conversion Consideration," and the Common Stock Conversion Consideration or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, as may be applicable to a Change of Control, shall be referred to herein as the "Conversion Consideration").

If the holders of Class A Common Stock have the opportunity to elect the form of consideration to be received in such Change of Control, the Conversion Consideration will be deemed to be the kind and amount of consideration actually received by holders of a majority of Class A Common Stock that voted for such an election (if electing between two types of consideration) or holders of a plurality of Class A Common Stock that voted for such an election (if electing between more than two types of consideration), as the case may be.

As used herein, "Common Stock Price" will mean (i) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of shares of Class A Common Stock is solely cash, the amount of cash consideration per share of Class A Common Stock, (ii) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of Class A Common Stock is other than solely cash, the average of the closing price per share of Class A Common Stock on the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the effective date of the Change of Control, and (iii) if there is not a readily determinable closing price for the Class A Common Stock or Alternative Form Consideration (as defined herein), the fair market value of Class A Common Stock or such Alternative Form Consideration (as determined by the Board or a committee thereof).

(b) No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of Series G Preferred Stock. In lieu of fractional shares, holders shall be entitled to receive the cash value of such fractional shares based on the Common Stock Price.

(c) Within 15 days following the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Corporation shall provide to holders of Series G Preferred Stock a notice of occurrence of the Change of Control that describes the resulting Change of Control Conversion Right. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the conversion of any Series G Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice shall state the following: (i) the events constituting the Change of Control; (ii) the date of the Change of Control; (iii) the last date on which the holders of Series G Preferred Stock may exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right, which shall be the Change of Control Conversion Date; (iv) the method and period for calculating the Common Stock Price; (v) the Change of Control Conversion Date, which will be a business day occurring within 20 to 35 days following the date of the notice; (vi) if applicable, the type and amount of Alternative Conversion Consideration entitled to be received per share of Series G Preferred Stock; (vii) the name and address of the paying agent and the conversion agent; and (viii) the procedures that the holders of Series G Preferred Stock must follow to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right.

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(d) The Corporation shall issue a press release for publication on the Dow Jones & Company, Inc., Business Wire, PR Newswire or Bloomberg Business News (or, if such organizations are not in existence at the time of issuance of such press release, such other news or press organization as is reasonably calculated to broadly disseminate the relevant information to the public), or post notice on the Corporation's website, in any event prior to the opening of business on the first Business Day following any date on which the Corporation provides notice pursuant to paragraph (c) above to the holders of Series G Preferred Stock.

(e) In order to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right, a holder of Series G Preferred Stock shall be required to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the certificates (if any) evidencing the shares of Series G Preferred Stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer, together with a written conversion notice completed, to the transfer agent. Such conversion notice shall state: (i) the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date; (ii) the number of shares of Series G Preferred Stock to be converted; and (iii) that the shares of Series G Preferred Stock are to be converted pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Series G Preferred Stock. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Series G Preferred Stock are held in global form, such notice shall comply with applicable procedures of the Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). The "Change of Control Conversion Date" shall be a Business Day set forth in the notice of Change of Control provided in accordance with paragraph 9(c) hereof that is no less than 20 days nor more than 35 days after the date on which the Corporation gives such notice pursuant to paragraph 9(c) hereof.

(f) Holders of Series G Preferred Stock may withdraw any notice of exercise of a Change of Control Conversion Right (in whole or in part) by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the Corporation's transfer agent prior to the close of business on the Business Day prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date. The notice of withdrawal must state: (i) the number of withdrawn shares of Series G Preferred Stock; (ii) if certificated shares of Series G Preferred Stock have been issued, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn shares of Series G Preferred Stock; and (iii) the number of shares of Series G Preferred Stock, if any, which remain subject to the conversion notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Series G Preferred Stock are held in global form, the notice of withdrawal shall comply with applicable DTC procedures.

(g) Series G Preferred Stock as to which the Change of Control Conversion Right has been properly exercised and for which the conversion notice has not been properly withdrawn shall be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration in accordance with the Change of Control Conversion Right on the Change of Control Conversion Date.

(h) In connection with the exercise of any Change of Control Conversion Right, the Corporation will comply with all U.S. federal and state securities laws and stock exchange rules in connection with any conversion of Series G Preferred Stock into Class A Common Stock. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no holder of Series G Preferred Stock will be entitled to convert such Series G Preferred Stock for Class A Common Stock to the extent that receipt of such Class A Common Stock would cause such holder (or any other person) to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own, within the meaning of the Charter, Common Stock of the Corporation in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit, as such term is defined in the Charter.

(10) *Record Holders.* The Corporation and the transfer agent for the Series G Preferred Stock may deem and treat the record holder of any Series G Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the transfer agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

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## EXHIBIT H

### SERIES H PREFERRED STOCK

Under a power contained in the charter (the "Charter") of Colony NorthStar, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board") classified and designated 11,500,000 shares of the Preferred Stock (as defined in the Charter), as shares of 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, with the following preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption set forth below, which upon any restatement of the Charter, shall be deemed to be part of Article VI of the Charter, with any necessary or appropriate changes to the enumeration or lettering of sections or subsections hereof:

#### 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock

(1) *Designation and Number.* A series of Preferred Stock, designated as the "7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock" (the "Series H Preferred Stock"), is hereby established. The par value of the Series H Preferred Stock is \$0.01 per share. The number of shares of the Series H Preferred Stock shall be 11,500,000.

(2) *Ranking.* The Series H Preferred Stock will, with respect to rights to receive dividends and to participate in distributions or payments upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, rank (a) senior to the Common Stock (as defined in the Charter) and any other class of capital stock of the Corporation, now or hereafter issued and outstanding, the terms of which provide that such capital stock ranks, as to the payment of dividends or amounts upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, junior to such Series H Preferred Stock ("Junior Stock"), (b) on a parity with the 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.500% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.75% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, the 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, and the 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share and any equity securities the Corporation may authorize or issue in the future that, pursuant to the terms thereof, rank on parity with the Series H Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation ("Parity Stock"); and (c) junior to any equity securities the Corporation may authorize or issue in the future that, pursuant to the terms thereof, rank senior to the Series H Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation ("Senior Stock"). Any authorization or issuance of Senior Stock would require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of Series H Preferred Stock voting together as a single class with all other classes or series of Parity Stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable. Any convertible or exchangeable debt securities that the Corporation may issue are not considered to be equity securities for these purposes.

### (3) Dividends.

(a) Holders of the then outstanding shares of Series H Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board and declared by the Corporation, out of funds legally available for payment of dividends, cumulative cash dividends at the rate of 7.125% per annum of the \$25.00 liquidation preference of each share of Series H Preferred Stock (equivalent to \$1.78125 per annum per share).

(b) Dividends on each outstanding share of Series H Preferred Stock shall be cumulative from and including January 15, 2017 and shall be payable (i) for the period from January 15, 2017 to April 14, 2017, on April 15, 2017, and (ii) for each quarterly distribution period thereafter, quarterly in equal amounts in arrears on the 15th day of each January, April, July and October, commencing on July 15, 2017 (each such day being hereinafter called a "Series H Dividend Payment Date") at the then applicable annual rate; provided, however, that if any Series H Dividend Payment Date falls on any day other than a Business Day (as hereinafter defined), the dividend that would otherwise have been payable on such Series H Dividend Payment Date may be paid on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if paid on such Series H Dividend Payment Date, and no interest or other sums shall accrue on the amount so payable from such Series H Dividend Payment Date to such next succeeding Business Day. Each dividend is payable to holders of record as they appear on the stock records of the Corporation at the close of business on the record date, not exceeding 30 days preceding the applicable Series H Dividend Payment Date, as shall be fixed by the Board. Dividends shall accumulate from January 15, 2017 or the most recent Series H Dividend Payment Date to which full cumulative dividends have been paid, whether or not in any such dividend period or periods there shall be funds legally available for the payment of such dividends, whether the Corporation has earnings or whether such dividends are authorized. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the Series H Preferred Stock that may be in arrears. Holders of the Series H Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividends, whether payable in cash, property or stock, in excess of full cumulative dividends, as herein provided, on the Series H Preferred Stock. Dividends payable on the Series H Preferred Stock for any period greater or less than a full dividend period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends payable on the Series H Preferred Stock for each full dividend period will be computed by dividing the applicable annual dividend rate by four. After full cumulative distributions on the Series H Preferred Stock have been paid, the holders of Series H Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any further distributions with respect to that dividend period.

(c) So long as any shares of Series H Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends, except as described in the immediately following sentence, shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment on any series or class or classes of Parity Stock for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been declared and paid or are contemporaneously declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for such payment on the Series H Preferred Stock for all prior dividend periods. When dividends are not paid in full or a sum sufficient for such payment is not set apart, as aforesaid, all dividends authorized and declared upon the Series H Preferred Stock and all dividends authorized and declared upon any other series or class or classes of Parity Stock shall be authorized and declared ratably in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends accumulated and unpaid on the Series H Preferred Stock and such Parity Stock.

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(d) So long as any shares of Series H Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividends (other than dividends or distributions paid solely in Junior Stock or, in options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase, Junior Stock) shall be authorized and declared or paid or set apart for payment or other distribution authorized and declared or made upon Junior Stock, nor shall any Junior Stock be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (other than a redemption, purchase or other acquisition of Common Stock made for purposes of and in compliance with requirements of an employee incentive or benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary, or a conversion into or exchange for Junior Stock or redemptions for the purpose of preserving the Corporation's qualification as a REIT (as defined in the Charter)), for any consideration (or any monies to be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation, directly or indirectly (except by conversion into or exchange for Junior Stock), unless in each case full cumulative dividends on all outstanding shares of Series H Preferred Stock and any Parity Stock at the time such dividends are payable shall have been paid or set apart for payment for all past dividend periods with respect to the Series H Preferred Stock and all past dividend periods with respect to such Parity Stock.

(e) Any dividend payment made on the Series H Preferred Stock, including any capital gains dividends, shall first be credited against the earliest accrued but unpaid dividend due with respect to such shares which remains payable.

(f) Except as provided herein, the Series H Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to participate in the earnings or assets of the Corporation.

(g) As used herein, the term "Business Day" shall mean any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close.

(h) As used herein, the term "dividend" does not include dividends payable solely in shares of Junior Stock on Junior Stock, or in options, warrants or rights to holders of Junior Stock to subscribe for or purchase any Junior Stock.

### (4) Liquidation Preference.

(a) In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, before any payment or distribution of the assets of the Corporation shall be made to or set apart for the holders of Junior Stock, the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive \$25.00 per share (the "Liquidation Preference") plus an amount per share equal to all accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not earned or declared) thereon to, but not including, the date of final distribution to such holders; but such holders of the Series H Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any further payment. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation, or proceeds thereof, distributable among the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to pay in full the preferential amount aforesaid and liquidating payments on any other Parity Stock, then such assets, or the proceeds thereof, shall be distributed among the holders of such Series H Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Stock ratably in accordance

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with the respective amounts that would be payable on such Series H Preferred Stock and any such other Parity Stock if all amounts payable thereon were paid in full. For the purposes of this Section 4, none of (i) a consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more entities, (ii) a statutory stock exchange by the Corporation or (iii) a sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets shall be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up, voluntary or involuntary, of the Corporation.

(b) Until payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock, as provided in this Section 4, and to the holders of Parity Stock, subject to any terms and provisions applying thereto, no payment will be made to any holder of Junior Stock upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation. Subject to the rights of the holders of Parity Stock, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, after payment shall have been made in full to the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock, as provided in this



Section 4, any series or class or classes of Junior Stock shall, subject to any respective terms and provisions applying thereto, be entitled to receive any and all assets remaining to be paid or distributed, and the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to share therein.

(5) *Optional Redemption.*

(a) Except as otherwise permitted by the Charter and paragraph (b) below, the Series H Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable by the Corporation prior to April 13, 2020. On and after April 13, 2020, the Corporation, at its option, upon giving notice as provided below, may redeem the Series H Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends on the Series H Preferred Stock (whether or not declared), to, but not including, the redemption date (the "Regular Redemption Right").

(b) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control (as defined herein), the Corporation will have the option, upon giving notice as provided below, to redeem the Series H Preferred Stock, in whole, at any time, or in part, from time to time, within 120 days after the first date on which the Change of Control has occurred (the "Special Redemption Right"), for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends on the Series H Preferred Stock (whether or not declared), to, but not including, the redemption date (the "Special Redemption Price"). If the Corporation exercises its Special Redemption Right in connection with a Change of Control, holders of Series H Preferred Stock will not be permitted to exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right (as defined herein) in respect of any shares of Series H Preferred Stock that have been called for redemption, and any shares of Series H Preferred Stock subsequently called for redemption that have been tendered for conversion will be redeemed on the applicable date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein). Any partial redemption will be selected by lot or pro rata.

A "Change of Control" will be deemed to have occurred at such time after the original issuance of the Series H Preferred Stock when the following has occurred:

(i) the acquisition by any person, including any syndicate or group deemed to be a "person" under Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act, of beneficial ownership, directly or indirectly, through a purchase, merger or other acquisition transaction or series of

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purchases, mergers or other acquisition transactions of shares of the Corporation entitling that person to exercise more than 50% of the total voting power of all shares of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in elections of directors (except that such person will be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all securities that such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only upon the occurrence of a subsequent condition); and

(ii) following the closing of any transaction referred to in clause (i) above, neither the Corporation nor the acquiring or surviving entity has a class of common securities or American Depositary Receipts listed on the NYSE, the NYSE Amex Equities, or NYSE Amex, or NASDAQ, or listed on an exchange that is a successor to the NYSE, NYSE Amex or NASDAQ.

(c) The following provisions set forth the general procedures for redemption applicable to redemptions pursuant to the Regular Redemption Right and the Special Redemption Right:

(i) Upon any redemption date applicable to Series H Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay on each share of Series H Preferred Stock to be redeemed any accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared), in arrears, for any dividend period ending on or prior to the redemption date. If a redemption date falls after a record date for a Series H Preferred Stock dividend payment and prior to the corresponding Series H Dividend Payment Date, then each holder of the Series H Preferred Stock at the close of business on such record date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such Series H Preferred Stock on the corresponding Series H Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such Series H Preferred Stock prior to such Series H Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on any shares of Series H Preferred Stock called for redemption.

(ii) If full cumulative dividends on the Series H Preferred Stock and any class or classes of Parity Stock have not been paid or declared and set apart for payment, the Corporation may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire Series H Preferred Stock in part or any Parity Stock other than in exchange for Junior Stock; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the purchase by the Corporation of shares held in excess of the limits set forth in the Charter in order to ensure that the Corporation continues to meet the requirements for qualification as a REIT.

(iii) On and after the date fixed for redemption, provided that the Corporation has made available at the office of the registrar and transfer agent a sufficient amount of cash to effect the redemption, dividends will cease to accrue on the shares of Series H Preferred Stock called for redemption (except that, in the case of a redemption date after a dividend payment record date and prior to the related Series H Dividend Payment Date, holders of Series H Preferred Stock on the applicable dividend payment record date will be entitled on such Series H Dividend Payment Date to receive the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series H Dividend Payment Date), such shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares as holders of Series H Preferred Stock shall cease except the right to receive the cash payable upon such redemption, without interest from the date of such redemption.

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(d) The following provisions set forth the procedures for redemption, in addition to those general procedures set forth in Section 5(c) hereof, pursuant to the Regular Redemption Right:

(i) A notice of redemption (which may be contingent upon the occurrence of a future event) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the holders of record of the Series H Preferred Stock at their addresses as they appear on the Corporation's stock transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any shares of the Series H Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. In addition to any information required by law or by the applicable rules of any exchange upon which the Series H Preferred Stock may be listed or admitted to trading, each notice shall state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series H Preferred Stock to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the shares of Series H Preferred Stock held by such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such shares of Series H Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder; (D) the place or places where the certificates, if any, evidencing the shares of Series H Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (E) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date except as otherwise provided herein.



(ii) If fewer than all the outstanding shares of the Series H Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or pro rata (as nearly as practicable without creating fractional shares).

(iii) At its election, the Corporation, prior to a redemption date, may irrevocably deposit the redemption price (including accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date) of the Series H Preferred Stock so called for redemption in trust for the holders thereof with a bank or trust company, in which case the redemption notice to holders of the Series H Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall (A) state the date of such deposit, (B) specify the office of such bank or trust company as the place of payment of the redemption price and (C) require such holders to surrender the certificates evidencing such shares at such place on or about the date fixed in such redemption notice (which may not be later than the redemption date) against payment of the redemption price (including all accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date). Subject to applicable escheat laws, any monies so deposited which remain unclaimed by the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock at the end of two years after the redemption date shall be returned by such bank or trust company to the Corporation.

(e) The following provisions set forth the procedures for redemption, in addition to those general procedures set forth in Section 5(c) hereof, pursuant to the Special Redemption Right.

(i) A notice of special optional redemption will be mailed, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the holders of record of the Series H Preferred Stock at their addresses as they appear on the Corporation's stock transfer records. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing will not affect the validity of the proceedings for the special optional redemption of the shares of Series H Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice will state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the

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number of shares of Series H Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (D) the place or places where the certificates, if any, evidencing the shares of Series H Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment; (E) that the shares of Series H Preferred Stock are being redeemed pursuant to the Corporation's special optional redemption right in connection with the occurrence of a Change of Control and a brief description of the transaction or transactions constituting such Change of Control; (F) that the holders of shares of Series H Preferred Stock to which the notice relates will not be able to tender such shares of Series H Preferred Stock for conversion in connection with the Change of Control and each share of Series H Preferred Stock tendered for conversion that is selected for redemption, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, will be redeemed on the related date of redemption instead of converted on the Change of Control Conversion Date; and (G) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date except as otherwise provided herein.

(ii) If fewer than all the shares of Series H Preferred Stock held by any holder are to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder will also specify the number of shares of Series H Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder. If fewer than all of the outstanding shares of Series H Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or pro rata.

(iii) On and after the date fixed for redemption, provided that the Corporation has given a notice of redemption and has paid or set aside sufficient funds for the redemption in trust for the benefit of the holders of shares of Series H Preferred Stock called for redemption, those shares of Series H Preferred Stock will be treated as no longer being outstanding, no further dividends will accrue on the share of Series H Preferred Stock called for redemption and all other rights of the holders of those shares of Series H Preferred Stock will terminate (except that, in the case of a redemption date after a dividend payment record date and prior to the related Series H Dividend Payment Date, holders of Series H Preferred Stock on the applicable record date will be entitled on such Series H Dividend Payment Date to receive the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series H Dividend Payment Date). The holders of those shares of Series H Preferred Stock will retain their right to receive the redemption price for their shares and any accrued and unpaid dividends to (but not including) the redemption date, without interest from the date of such redemption.

(iv) At its election, the Corporation, prior to a redemption date, may irrevocably deposit the redemption price (including accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date) of the Series H Preferred Stock so called for redemption in trust for the holders thereof with a bank or trust company, in which case the redemption notice to holders of the Series H Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall (A) state the date of such deposit, (B) specify the office of such bank or trust company as the place of payment of the redemption price and (C) require such holders to surrender the certificates evidencing such shares at such place on or about the date fixed in such redemption notice (which may not be later than the redemption date) against payment of the redemption price (including all accumulated and unpaid dividends to the redemption date). Subject to applicable escheat laws, any monies so deposited which remain unclaimed by the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock at the end of two years after the redemption date shall be returned by such bank or trust company to the Corporation.

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(f) Any shares of Series H Preferred Stock that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued Preferred Stock, without designation as to series until such shares are once more designated as part of a particular series by the Board.

(6) **Voting Rights.** Except as otherwise set forth herein, the Series H Preferred Stock shall not have any relative, participating, optional or other voting rights or powers, and the consent of the holders thereof shall not be required for the taking of any corporate action. In any matter in which the holders of Series H Preferred Stock are entitled to vote, each such holder shall have the right to one vote for each share of Series H Preferred Stock held by such holder.

(a) If and whenever six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series H Preferred Stock are in arrears, whether or not earned or declared, the number of members then constituting the Board will be increased by two and the holders of Series H Preferred Stock, voting together as a class with the holders of any other series of Parity Stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable (any such other series, the "Voting Preferred Stock"), will have the right to elect two additional directors of the Corporation (the "Preferred Stock Directors") at an annual meeting of stockholders or a properly called special meeting of the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock and such Voting Preferred Stock and at each subsequent annual meeting of stockholders until all such dividends and dividends for the then current quarterly period on the Series H Preferred Stock and such other Voting Preferred Stock have been paid or declared and set aside for payment. Whenever all arrears in dividends on the Series H Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock then outstanding have been paid and full dividends on the Series H Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock for the then current quarterly dividend period have been paid in full or declared and set apart for payment in full, then the right of the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock to elect the two Preferred Stock Directors will cease, the terms of office of the Preferred Stock Directors will forthwith terminate and the number of members of the Board will be reduced accordingly; provided, however, that the right of the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock and the Voting Preferred Stock to elect the Preferred Stock Directors will again vest if and whenever six quarterly dividends are in arrears, as described above. In no event shall the

holders of Series H Preferred Stock be entitled pursuant to these voting rights to elect a director that would cause the Corporation to fail to satisfy a requirement relating to director independence of any national securities exchange on which any class or series of the Corporation's stock is listed. In class votes with other Voting Preferred Stock, preferred stock of different series shall vote in proportion to the liquidation preference of the preferred stock.

(b) So long as any shares of Series H Preferred Stock are outstanding, the approval of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of outstanding Series H Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class, either at a meeting of stockholders or by written consent, is required (i) to amend, alter or repeal any provisions of the Charter (including these Articles Supplementary), whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, to affect materially and adversely the voting powers, rights or preferences of the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock, unless in connection with any such amendment, alteration or repeal, the Series H Preferred Stock remains outstanding without the terms thereof being materially changed in any respect adverse to the holders thereof or is converted into or exchanged for preferred stock of

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the surviving entity having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption thereof that are substantially similar to those of the Series H Preferred Stock, or (ii) to authorize, create, or increase the authorized amount of any class or series of capital stock having rights senior to the Series H Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or amounts upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up (provided that if such amendment affects materially and adversely the rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of one or more but not all of the other series of Voting Preferred Stock, the consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of each such series so affected is required). However, the Corporation may create additional classes of Parity Stock and Junior Stock, amend the Charter and these Articles Supplementary to increase the authorized number of shares of Parity Stock (including the Series H Preferred Stock) and Junior Stock and issue additional series of Parity Stock and Junior Stock without the consent of any holder of Series H Preferred Stock.

(c) The foregoing voting provisions shall not apply if, at or prior to the time when the act with respect to which such vote would otherwise be required shall be effected, all outstanding Series H Preferred Stock shall have been redeemed or called for redemption upon proper notice and sufficient funds shall have been deposited in trust to effect such redemption.

(7) *Information Rights.* During any period in which the Corporation is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and any shares of Series H Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will (i) transmit by mail (or other permissible means under the Exchange Act) to all holders of Series H Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear in the record books of the Corporation and without cost to such holders, copies of the annual reports on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q that the Corporation would have been required to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act if the Corporation were subject thereto (other than any exhibits that would have been required) and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any prospective holder of Series H Preferred Stock. The Corporation will mail (or otherwise provide) the information to the holders of Series H Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission if the Corporation were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, in each case, based on the dates on which the Corporation would be required to file such periodic reports if the Corporation were a "non-accelerated filer" within the meaning of the Exchange Act.

(8) *Other Limitations; Ownership and Transfer of the Series H Preferred Stock.* The Series H Preferred Stock constitutes Capital Stock (as defined in the Charter) of the Corporation and is governed by and issued subject to all the ownership and transfer restrictions of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock generally, including but not limited to the terms and conditions (including exceptions and exemptions) of Article VII of the Charter applicable to Capital Stock. The foregoing sentence shall not be construed to limit the applicability to the Series H Preferred Stock of any other term or provision of the Charter.

(9) *Conversion Upon a Change of Control.* The Series H Preferred Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except as provided in this Section 9.

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(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series H Preferred Stock will have the right, subject to the Special Redemption Right of the Corporation, to convert some or all of the shares of Series H Preferred Stock held by such holder (the "Change of Control Conversion Right") on the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein) into a number of shares of Class A Common Stock (as defined in the Charter) per share of Series H Preferred Stock (the "Common Stock Conversion Consideration") equal to the lesser of (A) the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of (x) \$25.00, plus (y) an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared) to, but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein), except if such Change of Control Conversion Date is after a record date for a Series H Preferred Stock dividend payment and prior to the corresponding Series H Dividend Payment Date, in which case the amount pursuant to this clause (i)(y) shall equal \$0.00 in respect of such dividend payment to be made on such Series H Dividend Payment Date, by (ii) the Common Stock Price (as defined herein) (such quotient, the "Conversion Rate"), and (B) 2.8198 (the "Share Cap"), subject to the immediately succeeding paragraph.

The Share Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any share splits (including those effected pursuant to a Class A Common Stock dividend), subdivisions or combinations (in each case, a "Share Split") with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Share Cap as the result of a Share Split shall be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product of (i) the Share Cap in effect immediately prior to such Share Split multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split.

For the avoidance of doubt, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence, the aggregate number of shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration (as defined herein), as applicable) issuable in connection with the exercise of the Change of Control Conversion Right shall not exceed 28,198,415 shares of Class A Common Stock (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable), subject to increase to the extent the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Series H Preferred Stock in the initial public offering of Series H Preferred Stock is exercised, not to exceed 32,428,178 shares of Class A Common Stock in total (or equivalent Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable) (the "Exchange Cap"). The Exchange Cap is subject to pro rata adjustments for any Share Splits with respect to Class A Common Stock as follows: the adjusted Exchange Cap as the result of a Share Split will be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock that is equivalent to the product of (i) the Exchange Cap in effect immediately prior to such

Share Split multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding after giving effect to such Share Split and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such Share Split.

In the case of a Change of Control as a result of which holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to receive consideration other than solely shares of Class A Common Stock, including other securities, other property or assets (including cash or any combination thereof) with respect to or in exchange for shares of Class A Common Stock (the "Alternative Form Consideration"), a holder of Series H Preferred Stock shall be entitled thereafter to convert

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(subject to the Corporation's Special Redemption Right) such Series H Preferred Stock not into Class A Common Stock but solely into the kind and amount of Alternative Form Consideration which the holder of Series H Preferred Stock would have owned or been entitled to receive upon such Change of Control as if such holder of Series H Preferred Stock then held the Common Stock Conversion Consideration immediately prior to the effective time of the Change of Control (the "Alternative Conversion Consideration," and the Common Stock Conversion Consideration or the Alternative Conversion Consideration, as may be applicable to a Change of Control, shall be referred to herein as the "Conversion Consideration").

If the holders of Class A Common Stock have the opportunity to elect the form of consideration to be received in such Change of Control, the Conversion Consideration will be deemed to be the kind and amount of consideration actually received by holders of a majority of Class A Common Stock that voted for such an election (if electing between two types of consideration) or holders of a plurality of Class A Common Stock that voted for such an election (if electing between more than two types of consideration), as the case may be.

As used herein, "Common Stock Price" will mean (i) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of shares of Class A Common Stock is solely cash, the amount of cash consideration per share of Class A Common Stock, (ii) if the consideration to be received in the Change of Control by holders of Class A Common Stock is other than solely cash, the average of the closing price per share of Class A Common Stock on the ten consecutive trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the effective date of the Change of Control, and (iii) if there is not a readily determinable closing price for the Class A Common Stock or Alternative Form Consideration (as defined herein), the fair market value of Class A Common Stock or such Alternative Form Consideration (as determined by the Board or a committee thereof).

(b) No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of Series H Preferred Stock. In lieu of fractional shares, holders shall be entitled to receive the cash value of such fractional shares based on the Common Stock Price.

(c) Within 15 days following the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Corporation shall provide to holders of Series H Preferred Stock a notice of occurrence of the Change of Control that describes the resulting Change of Control Conversion Right. A failure to give such notice or any defect in the notice or in its mailing shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the conversion of any Series H Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given. Each notice shall state the following: (i) the events constituting the Change of Control; (ii) the date of the Change of Control; (iii) the last date on which the holders of Series H Preferred Stock may exercise their Change of Control Conversion Right, which shall be the Change of Control Conversion Date; (iv) the method and period for calculating the Common Stock Price; (v) the Change of Control Conversion Date, which will be a business day occurring within 20 to 35 days following the date of the notice; (vi) if applicable, the type and amount of Alternative Conversion Consideration entitled to be received per share of Series H Preferred Stock; (vii) the name and address of the paying agent and the conversion agent; and (viii) the procedures that the holders of Series H Preferred Stock must follow to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right.

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(d) The Corporation shall issue a press release for publication on the Dow Jones & Company, Inc., Business Wire, PR Newswire or Bloomberg Business News (or, if such organizations are not in existence at the time of issuance of such press release, such other news or press organization as is reasonably calculated to broadly disseminate the relevant information to the public), or post notice on the Corporation's website, in any event prior to the opening of business on the first Business Day following any date on which the Corporation provides notice pursuant to paragraph (c) above to the holders of Series H Preferred Stock.

(e) In order to exercise the Change of Control Conversion Right, a holder of Series H Preferred Stock shall be required to deliver, on or before the close of business on the Change of Control Conversion Date, the certificates (if any) evidencing the shares of Series H Preferred Stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer, together with a written conversion notice completed, to the transfer agent. Such conversion notice shall state: (i) the relevant Change of Control Conversion Date; (ii) the number of shares of Series H Preferred Stock to be converted; and (iii) that the shares of Series H Preferred Stock are to be converted pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Series H Preferred Stock. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Series H Preferred Stock are held in global form, such notice shall comply with applicable procedures of the Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). The "Change of Control Conversion Date" shall be a Business Day set forth in the notice of Change of Control provided in accordance with paragraph 9(c) hereof that is no less than 20 days nor more than 35 days after the date on which the Corporation gives such notice pursuant to paragraph 9(c) hereof.

(f) Holders of Series H Preferred Stock may withdraw any notice of exercise of a Change of Control Conversion Right (in whole or in part) by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the Corporation's transfer agent prior to the close of business on the Business Day prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date. The notice of withdrawal must state: (i) the number of withdrawn shares of Series H Preferred Stock; (ii) if certificated shares of Series H Preferred Stock have been issued, the certificate numbers of the withdrawn shares of Series H Preferred Stock; and (iii) the number of shares of Series H Preferred Stock, if any, which remain subject to the conversion notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the shares of Series H Preferred Stock are held in global form, the notice of withdrawal shall comply with applicable DTC procedures.

(g) Series H Preferred Stock as to which the Change of Control Conversion Right has been properly exercised and for which the conversion notice has not been properly withdrawn shall be converted into the applicable Conversion Consideration in accordance with the Change of Control Conversion Right on the Change of Control Conversion Date.

(h) In connection with the exercise of any Change of Control Conversion Right, the Corporation will comply with all U.S. federal and state securities laws and stock exchange rules in connection with any conversion of Series H Preferred Stock into Class A Common Stock. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no holder of Series H Preferred Stock will be entitled to convert such Series H Preferred Stock for Class A Common Stock to the extent that receipt of such Class A Common Stock would cause such holder (or any other person) to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own, within the meaning of the Charter, Common Stock of the Corporation in excess of the Common Stock Ownership Limit, as such term is defined in the Charter.

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(10) *Record Holders.* The Corporation and the transfer agent for the Series H Preferred Stock may deem and treat the record holder of any Series H Preferred Stock as the true and lawful owner thereof for all purposes, and neither the Corporation nor the transfer agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

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Exhibit 4.6 4.5

**DIGITALBRIDGE GROUP INC.  
DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 12 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

The following description sets forth certain material terms and provisions of our securities registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). This description also summarizes relevant provisions of Maryland law and certain provisions of our Articles of Amendment and Restatement, as amended (the "Charter"), and our Amended and Restated Bylaws (the "Bylaws"). The following description does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the applicable provisions of Maryland law and our Charter and Bylaws, each of which are incorporated by reference as exhibits to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of which this Exhibit 4.6 is a part. We encourage you to read the Charter, the Bylaws and the applicable provisions of Maryland law for additional information.

**General**

Our Charter provides that we are authorized to issue up to 1,250,000,000 500,000,000 shares of stock, consisting of 949,000,000 237,250,000 shares of Class A common stock ("Class A common stock"), 1,000,000 250,000 shares of Class B common stock ("Class B common stock"), 50,000,000 12,500,000 shares of Performance common stock ("Performance common stock"), and 250,000,000 shares of preferred stock, of which: (i) 11,500,000 shares are classified as Series H preferred stock ("Series H preferred stock"); (ii) 13,800,000 shares are classified as Series I preferred stock ("Series I preferred stock"); and (iii) 12,650,000 shares are classified as Series J preferred stock ("Series J preferred stock").

**Common Stock**

***Voting Rights of Common Stock***

Except as may otherwise be specified in the terms of any class or series of shares of common stock or Performance common stock, each outstanding share of Class A common stock entitles the holder to one vote and each outstanding share of Class B common stock entitles the holder to 36.5 votes on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders, including the election of directors, and, except as provided with respect to any other class or series of shares of stock, the holders of such shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock will possess the exclusive voting power and will vote as a single class. There will be no cumulative voting in the election of directors. A nominee for director shall be elected as a director only if such nominee receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast for and against such nominee, unless there is a contested election, in which case directors shall be elected by a plurality of votes cast at a meeting. Holders of shares of Performance common stock are not entitled to vote, except that the consent of the holders of a majority of the shares of Performance common stock, voting as a separate class, is required for any amendment to our Charter that would increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares of Performance common stock, increase or decrease the par value of the shares of Performance common stock, or alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the Performance common stock so as to affect them adversely.

Under the Maryland General Corporation Law, as amended (the "MGCL"), a Maryland corporation generally cannot dissolve, amend its charter, merge, convert into another form of entity, sell all or substantially all of its assets, engage in a share exchange or engage in similar transactions outside the ordinary course of business unless

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declared advisable by our board of directors and approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders holding at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter unless a lesser percentage (but not less than a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter) is set forth in the corporation's charter. Our Charter provides that these actions may be taken if declared advisable by our board of directors and approved by the vote of stockholders entitled to cast at least a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. However, Maryland law permits a corporation to transfer all or substantially all of its assets without the approval of the stockholders of the corporation to one or more persons if all of the equity interests of the person or persons are owned, directly or indirectly, by the corporation.

***Dividends, Liquidation and Other Rights***

Subject to the preferential rights of any other class or series of stock of our company, including our preferred stock, described below, holders of shares of common stock and Performance common stock are entitled to receive dividends on such shares of stock if, as and when authorized by our board, and declared by us out of assets or funds legally available therefor. Such holders are also entitled to share ratably in our assets legally available for distribution to our stockholders in the event of its liquidation, dissolution or winding up or any distribution of our assets after payment or establishment of reserves or other adequate provision for all debts and liabilities of our company and any class or series of stock with preferential rights related thereto, including preferred stock. Under Maryland law, stockholders generally are not liable for the corporation's debts or obligations. If and when our board authorizes or declares a dividend or other distribution with respect to our Class A common stock, such authorization or declaration will constitute a simultaneous authorization or declaration of an equivalent dividend or other distribution with respect to each share of our Class B common stock and each share of our Performance common stock; provided, however, that dividends on shares of our Performance common stock may not exceed any dividends declared on shares of our Class A common stock at the time such dividend is made.

Holders of shares of our common stock and Performance common stock have no preference, conversion (other than as described below with respect to our Class B common stock and Performance common stock), exchange, sinking fund or redemption rights, have no preemptive rights to subscribe for any of our securities and have appraisal rights as described below. Shares of our common stock and Performance common stock will have equal dividend, liquidation and other rights.

In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of our company or any distribution of the assets of our company, each holder of common stock will be entitled to participate, together with any other class of stock not having a preference over our common stock, in the distribution of any remaining assets after payment of our debts and liabilities and distributions to holders of shares having a preference over our common stock.

#### ***Power to Reclassify Our Unissued Shares of Our Securities***

Our Charter authorizes our board to classify and reclassify any unissued shares of our common stock or preferred stock into other classes or series of shares of our common stock or preferred stock and to establish the number of shares in each class or series and to set the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications or terms or conditions of redemption for each such class or series. As a result, subject to any preferences on the preferred stock, our board could authorize the issuance of a new series or class of shares of preferred stock that have priority over the common stock with respect to dividends, distributions and rights upon liquidation and with other terms and conditions that could have the effect

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of delaying, deterring or preventing a transaction or a change in control that might involve a premium price for holders of shares of our common stock or otherwise might be in their best interest.

#### ***Power to Issue Additional Shares of Our Securities***

We believe that the power of our board to issue additional authorized but unissued shares of our securities and to classify or reclassify unissued shares of our securities and thereafter to cause the issuance of such classified or reclassified shares of our securities will provide us with increased flexibility in structuring possible future financings and acquisitions and in meeting other needs that might arise. The additional classes or series will be available for issuance without further action by our stockholders, unless such action is required by applicable law or the rules of any stock exchange or automated quotation system on which our securities may be listed or traded. Although our board does not intend to do so, it could authorize us to issue a class or series that could, depending upon the terms of the particular class or series, delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change in control of our company that might involve a premium price for holders of our securities or that our stockholders might not view as being in the best interest of our stockholders.

#### ***Dissenters' Rights***

Our Charter establishes certain dissenters' rights in addition to those available to stockholders of a Maryland corporation with stock listed on a national securities exchange. The MGCL provides that a dissenting or objecting stockholder has the right to demand and receive payment of the fair value of the stockholder's stock from a successor corporation if: (i) the corporation consolidates or merges with another corporation; (ii) the corporation's stock is to be acquired in a share exchange; (iii) the corporation transfers all or substantially all of its assets in a transaction requiring approval of the corporation's stockholders; (iv) the corporation amends its charter in a way which alters the contract rights, as expressly set forth in the charter, of any outstanding stock and substantially adversely affects the stockholder's rights, unless the right to do so is reserved in the charter of the corporation (which right is so reserved in our Charter); (v) the transaction is subject to certain provisions of the Maryland Business Combination Act; or (vi) the corporation is being converted to another entity form.

The MGCL provides that, subject to a limited exception, a stockholder may not demand the fair value of the stockholder's stock and is bound by the terms of the transaction if, among other things, the stock is listed on a national securities exchange on the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote on the matter. Holders of shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock shall be entitled to exercise the rights of an objecting stockholder provided for under Title 3, Subtitle 2 of the MGCL or any successor statute. In addition to the statutory rights of objecting stockholders and notwithstanding the limitations on exercising the rights of an objecting stockholder when the stock is listed on a national securities exchange, a holder of shares of our Class A common stock or Class B common stock shall have the additional right, pursuant to our Charter, to demand and receive payment of the fair value of such stockholder's shares of common stock in any merger, consolidation or statutory share exchange if the holder is required by the terms of an agreement or plan of merger, consolidation or statutory share exchange to accept for such shares anything except:

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- shares of stock of the corporation surviving or resulting from such merger, consolidation, or statutory share exchange, or depository receipts in respect thereof;
  - shares of stock of any other corporation, or depository receipts in respect thereof, which shares of stock (or depository receipts in respect thereof) or depository receipts at the effective date of the merger or consolidation will be either listed on a national securities exchange or held of record by more than 2,000 holders;
  - cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts described in the foregoing clauses; or
  - any combination of the shares of stock, depository receipts and cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts described in the foregoing clauses.

Holders of shares of our Class A common stock or Class B common stock exercising the rights of an objecting stockholder provided in our Charter must comply with the requirements to properly exercise such rights set forth in Title 3, Subtitle 2 of the MGCL to the same extent as if they were exercising the rights of objecting stockholders provided for in Title 3, Subtitle 2 of the MGCL or any successor statute.

***Conversion of Our Class B Common Stock***

Each share of Class B common stock will convert automatically.

- into one fully paid and non-assessable share of Class A common stock, if Thomas J. Barrack, Jr. or any of his family members (or trusts for the benefit of his family members) directly or indirectly transfers beneficial ownership of Class B common stock other than among each other, for each share of Class B common stock so transferred; and
- into one fully paid and non-assessable share of Class A common stock for every 35.5 DigitalBridge OP units (as defined below) involved in such transfer or cessation if Mr. Barrack directly or indirectly transfers beneficial ownership of any membership units in our operating partnership, which we refer to as "DigitalBridge OP units," directly or indirectly held by him, other than to a "Qualified Transferee" (as defined below), any Qualified Transferee directly or indirectly transfers beneficial ownership of DigitalBridge OP units directly or indirectly held by it other than to Mr. Barrack or to another Qualified Transferee, or a Qualified Transferee that beneficially owns DigitalBridge OP units ceases at any time to continue to be a "Qualified Transferee" (including, without limitation, the failure of a Qualified Transferee that is an executive of our company to be employed by our company or as the result of a divorce or annulment).

"Qualified Transferee" means Colony Capital, LLC and Colony Capital Holdings, LLC and any member or interest holder of CCH Management Partners I, LLC, CCH Management Partners II, LLC, Colony Capital, LLC or Colony Capital Holdings, LLC for so long as any such person remains employed by our company or our affiliates, any family member or affiliate of such persons or any person controlled by any combination of one or more of such persons or their family members. Neither our company nor our operating partnership will be a Qualified Transferee. The purpose of this automatic conversion feature is to ensure that the holders of our Class B common stock do not at any time have votes in excess of the number of DigitalBridge OP units then held by them (or the other permitted holders described above); to the extent that a share of Class B common stock or any group of 35.5 DigitalBridge OP

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units is transferred or ceases to be held by a permitted holder, a share of Class B common stock will convert into one share of Class A common stock, thereafter carrying only one vote.

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Each holder of Class B common stock will have the right, at the holder's option at any time and from time to time, to convert all or a portion of such holder's Class B common stock into an equal number of fully paid and nonassessable non-assessable shares of Class A common stock by delivering the certificates (if any) representing the shares of Class B common stock to be converted, duly endorsed for transfer, together with a written conversion notice to the transfer agent for Class B common stock (or if there is no transfer agent, to us).

#### **Conversion of Our Performance Common Stock**

As all outstanding shares of our Performance common stock converted automatically to Class A common stock in connection with the tri-party merger among Colony Capital, Inc., NorthStar Asset Management Group Inc. and NorthStar Realty Finance Corp., which closed on January 10, 2017, we have no shares of Performance common stock outstanding. We do not intend to issue any Performance common stock in the future.

#### **Transfer Agent and Registrar**

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Equiniti Trust Company, LLC.

#### **Listing**

Our Class A common stock is listed for trading on the NYSE. It is listed under the symbol "DBRG."

### **Certain Provisions of Maryland Law and Our Charter and Bylaws**

#### **Our Board of Directors**

Our Charter and Bylaws provide that, subject to the rights of holders of one or more classes or series of preferred stock, the number of directors of our company may be established by our board but may not be fewer than the minimum required by the MGCL (which is currently one) nor more than 15. Our Charter provides that vacancies on our board may be filled in the manner provided in our Bylaws, which provide that vacancies on our board may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors in office, even if the remaining directors do not constitute a quorum, or by the stockholders to the extent that such vacancy results from the removal of a director by the stockholders. Under Maryland law, stockholders may fill a vacancy on our board that is caused by the removal of a director. Any director elected to fill a vacancy will serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified.

There will be no cumulative voting in the election of directors. A nominee for director shall be elected as a director if such nominee receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast for and against such nominee at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present. However, directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present for which (i) our secretary receives notice that a stockholder has nominated an individual for election as a director in compliance with the advance notice requirements set forth in our Bylaws; and (ii) such nomination has not been withdrawn by such stockholder on or before the close of business on the 10th day before the date of filing of our

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definitive proxy statement with the SEC, and, as a result of which, the number of nominees is greater than the number of directors to be elected at the meeting. We adopted a resignation policy in our Corporate Governance

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Guidelines that requires an incumbent director who fails to receive the required vote for re-election to offer to resign from our board.

#### ***Removal of Directors***

Our Charter provides that, subject to the rights of holders of one or more classes or series of preferred stock, a director may be removed from office at any time, with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of the holders of shares entitled to cast a majority of the votes entitled to be cast generally in the election of directors.

#### ***Action by Written Consent***

Our Charter and Bylaws, taken together, provide that stockholders may act by unanimous written consent, or, if the action is first declared advisable by our board of directors, if authorized by the written consent of stockholders entitled to cast not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize the action at a meeting of stockholders.

#### ***Business Combinations***

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

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

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

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

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

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

The statute provides various exemptions from its provisions, including for business combinations that are exempted by the board of directors before the time that the interested stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. Pursuant to the statute, our board, through a board resolution, has exempted any business combinations between us and any person, provided that any such business combination is first approved by our board (including a majority of the directors of our company who are not affiliates or associates of such person). Consequently, the five-year prohibition and the supermajority vote requirements will not apply to business combinations between us and any interested stockholders (or their affiliates) that are first approved by our board of directors. As a result, such parties may be able to enter into business combinations with us that may not be in the best interest of the stockholders of our company, without compliance with the supermajority vote requirements and the other provisions of the statute.

The business combination statute may discourage others from trying to acquire control of our company and increase the difficulty of consummating any offer.

#### ***Control Share Acquisitions***

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

- one-tenth or more but less than one-third;
- one-third or more but less than a majority; or
- a majority or more of all voting power

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Control shares do not include shares that the acquiring person is then entitled to vote as a result of having previously obtained stockholder approval or shares acquired directly from the corporation. A control share acquisition means the acquisition of issued and outstanding control shares, subject to certain exceptions.

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

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

The control share acquisition statute does not apply: (i) to shares acquired in a merger, consolidation or share exchange if the corporation is a party to the transaction; or (ii) to acquisitions approved or exempted by the charter or bylaws of the corporation.

Our Bylaws contain a provision exempting us from the control share acquisition statute. This provision may be amended or eliminated at any time in the future.

#### **Subtitle 8**

Subtitle 8 permits a Maryland corporation with a class of equity securities registered under the Exchange Act and at least three independent directors to elect to be subject, by provision in its charter or bylaws or a resolution of its board of directors and notwithstanding any contrary provision in its charter or bylaws, to any or all of five provisions:

- a classified board;
- a two-thirds vote requirement for removing a director;
- a requirement that the number of directors be fixed only by vote of the directors;
- a requirement that a vacancy on the board be filled only by the remaining directors and for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred; and
- a majority requirement for the calling of a special meeting of stockholders.

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Our Charter provides that we may not elect to be subject to any of the provisions of Subtitle 8.

#### ***Amendments to Our Charter***

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Subject to the rights of any shares of preferred stock outstanding from time to time, our Charter may be amended only if declared advisable by our board and, except in limited circumstances where stockholder approval is not required by the MGCL, approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than a majority of all of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter.

#### ***Amendments to Our Bylaws***

Our Bylaws may be amended, altered, repealed, or rescinded by our board of directors or by stockholders by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast in the election of directors. Any amendment of our Bylaws approved by our stockholders may not thereafter be amended by our board of directors without the affirmative vote of a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast in the election of directors.

#### ***Dissolution***

The dissolution of our company must be declared advisable by our board and approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than a majority of all of the votes entitled to be cast on the matter.

#### ***Special Meetings of Stockholders***

The Chairman of our board, Vice Chairman of our board, our Chief Executive Officer, our President and our board may call special meetings of our stockholders. A special meeting of our stockholders to act on any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of our stockholders must also be called by our secretary upon the written request of stockholders entitled to cast 25% of all the votes entitled to be cast on such matter at the meeting and containing the information required by our Bylaws.

#### ***Advance Notice of Director Nominations and New Business***

Our Bylaws provide that with respect to an annual meeting of stockholders, nominations of persons for election to our board and the proposal of business to be considered by stockholders may be made only: (i) pursuant to notice of the meeting; (ii) by or at the direction of our board; or (iii) by a stockholder of record at the time of giving notice, at the record date set by our board for the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting and at the time of the annual meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting in the election of directors and who has complied with the advance notice procedures of our Bylaws. Stockholders generally must provide notice to our secretary not before the 150th day or after the 120th day before the first anniversary of the date of our proxy statement for the solicitation of proxies for the election of directors at the preceding year's annual meeting; provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is advanced or delayed by more than 30 days from the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, in order for notice by the stockholder to be timely, such notice must be so delivered not earlier than the 150th day prior to the date of such annual meeting and not later than 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the later of the 120th day prior to the date of such annual meeting, as

originally convened, or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made.

With respect to special meetings of stockholders, only the business specified in the notice of the meeting may be brought before the meeting. Nominations of persons for election to the board at a special meeting may be

made only: (i) by or at the direction of the board; or (ii) by a stockholder at a special meeting that has been called in accordance with our Bylaws for the purpose of electing directors, provided that such stockholder is a stockholder of record at the record date set by our board, for at the time of giving notice and at the time of the special meeting and has complied with the advance notice provisions of our Bylaws. Stockholders generally must provide notice to our secretary no earlier than the 120th day before such special meeting and no later than the later of the 90th day before the special meeting or the 10th day after public announcement of the date of the special meeting and the nominees of our board to be elected at the meeting.

#### ***Anti-Takeover Effect of Certain Provisions of Maryland Law and of Our Charter and Bylaws***

The business combination provisions and the control share acquisition provisions of Maryland law (if later we decide to be bound by such provisions) and the advance notice provisions of our Bylaws could delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change in the control of our company that might involve a premium price for holders of our common stock or otherwise be in their best interest.

#### ***Exculpation and Indemnification of Our Directors and Officers***

Maryland law permits a Maryland corporation to include in its charter a provision eliminating the liability of its directors and officers to the corporation and its stockholders for money damages except for liability resulting from: (i) actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services; or (ii) active and deliberate dishonesty that is established by a final judgment and is material to the cause of action. Our Charter contains such a provision which eliminates liability of our directors and officers to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law.

Our Charter and Bylaws obligate our company, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law, to indemnify any present or former director or officer or any individual who, while a director of our company and at our request, serves or has served another corporation, real estate investment trust, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise as a director, officer, trustee, member, manager, employee, partner or agent, from and against any claim or liability to which that person may become subject or which that person may incur by reason of his or her service in such capacity and to pay or reimburse their reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding. Our Charter and Bylaws also require us to indemnify and advance expenses to any person who served a predecessor of our company in any of the capacities described above and any employee or agent of our company or a predecessor of our company.

Maryland law requires a corporation (unless its charter provides otherwise, which our Charter does not) to indemnify a director or officer who has been successful in the defense of any proceeding to which he or she is made a party to, or witness in, by reason of his or her service in that capacity. Maryland law permits a corporation to indemnify its present and former directors and officers, among others, against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses actually incurred by them in connection with any proceeding to which they may be made, or threatened to be made, a party to, or witness in, by reason of their service in those or other capacities unless it is established that:

- the act or omission of the director or officer was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and (i) was committed in bad faith or (ii) was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty;
- the director or officer actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services; or
- in the case of any criminal proceeding, the director or officer had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful.

A Maryland corporation may not indemnify a director or officer with respect to a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation in which the director or officer was adjudged liable to the corporation or a proceeding charging improper personal benefit to the director or officer in which the director or officer was adjudged liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received. A court may order indemnification if it determines that the director or officer is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification, even though the director or officer did not meet the prescribed standard of conduct or was adjudged liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received. However, indemnification is limited to expenses for an adverse judgment in a suit by or in the right of the corporation, or for a judgment of liability on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received. In addition, Maryland law permits a corporation, and our Charter requires us, to advance reasonable expenses to a director or officer upon the corporation's receipt of: (i) a written affirmation by the director or officer of his or her good faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the corporation; and (ii) a written undertaking by him or her or on his or her behalf to repay the amount paid or reimbursed by the corporation if it is ultimately determined that the standard of conduct was not met.

We have entered into indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers which require that we indemnify such directors and officers to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law and that we pay such persons' expenses in defending any civil or criminal proceeding in advance of final disposition of such proceeding.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be provided to directors, officers or persons controlling the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

#### ***Exclusive Forum***

Our Bylaws provide that, unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, Maryland, or, if that Court does not have jurisdiction, the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, Baltimore Division, shall be the sole and exclusive forum for: (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of our company; (ii) any action asserting a claim of breach of any duty owed by any director or officer or other employee of our company to our company or to the stockholders of our company; (iii) any action asserting a claim against our company or any director or officer or other employee of our company arising pursuant to any provision of the MGCL or our Charter or Bylaws; or (iv) any action asserting a claim against us or any director or officer or other employee of our company that is governed by the internal affairs doctrine.

#### **Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer**

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Our Charter contains certain restrictions on ownership and transfer that are no longer operative following our determination not to maintain our status as a real estate investment trust under the Internal Revenue Code commencing with our taxable year ended December 31, 2022.

#### **Preferred Stock**

##### ***General***

Our Charter authorizes our board of directors, without the approval of our stockholders, to classify any unissued shares of preferred stock and to reclassify any previously classified but unissued shares of preferred stock of any series. Prior to the issuance of shares of any series, our board of directors is required by the MGCL and our Charter to set the terms, preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends or other distributions, qualifications or terms or conditions of redemption for each such series, all of which are set forth in articles supplementary to our Charter adopted for that purpose by our board of directors or a duly authorized special committee thereof (or will be, with respect to future series of preferred stock). Using this authority, our board of directors could authorize the issuance of shares of preferred stock with terms and conditions that could delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change in control that might involve a premium price for holders of our common stock or for other reasons be desired by them.

Upon issuance against full payment of the purchase price therefor, shares of preferred stock are fully paid and ~~nonassessable~~. ~~non-assessable~~. The description of preferred stock set forth below does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the articles supplementary relating to the applicable class or series of preferred stock.

#### **Rank**

Our outstanding preferred stock, with respect to dividend rights and rights upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, ranks:

- senior to all classes or series of our common stock, and to all our equity securities ranking junior to such preferred stock with respect to dividend rights or rights upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up;
- on a parity with all equity securities authorized or designated by us, the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank on a parity with the preferred stock with respect to dividend rights or rights upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up; and
- junior to all our existing and future indebtedness and to any class or series of equity securities authorized or designated by us, the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank senior to the preferred stock with respect to dividend rights or rights upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

#### **Outstanding Preferred Stock**

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Holders of our preferred stock are entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by our board of directors, and declared by them out of assets legally available for payment, cumulative cash dividends at the applicable stated rate. The stated rate for the Series H preferred stock is 7.125% of the \$25 liquidation preference per share, or \$1.78125 per share, per annum; the stated rate for the Series I preferred stock is 7.15% of the \$25 liquidation

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preference per share, or \$1.7875 per share, per annum; and the stated rate for the Series J preferred stock is 7.125% of the \$25 liquidation preference per share, or \$1.78125 per share, per annum.

We may not redeem the preferred stock prior to five years from the date of the original issuance of the applicable series of preferred stock, which, for the Series H preferred stock, such five year period ended on April 13, 2020; for the Series I preferred stock, such five year period ended on June 5, 2022; and for the Series J preferred stock, such five year period ended on September 22, 2022, except pursuant to certain special optional redemption rights. On or after five years from the date of the original issuance of the applicable series of preferred stock described in this paragraph, we may, at our option, upon the notice periods set forth in the applicable Articles Supplementary creating the series of preferred stock, redeem the preferred stock, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption, without interest.

Each outstanding series of our preferred stock is subject to certain conversion and optional redemption rights upon a change of control.

The foregoing summaries of our Series H preferred stock is qualified in their entirety by reference to the description of our Series H preferred stock included in our [Charter](#), a copy of which is incorporated by reference into the Annual Report on Form 10-K of which this Exhibit 4.6 is a part. The foregoing summary of our Series I preferred stock is qualified in its entirety by reference to the description of our Series I preferred stock included in the [articles supplementary designating the Series I preferred stock](#), a copy of which is incorporated by reference into the Annual Report on Form 10-K of which this Exhibit 4.6 is a part. The foregoing summary of our Series J preferred stock is qualified in its entirety by

reference to the description of our Series J preferred stock included in the [articles supplementary designating the Series J preferred stock](#), a copy of which is incorporated by reference into the Annual Report on Form 10-K of which this Exhibit 4.6 is a part.

#### Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for preferred stock is American Stock Transfer & Equiniti Trust Company, LLC.

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#### Exhibit 21.1

### DIGITALBRIDGE GROUP, INC. LIST OF SIGNIFICANT SUBSIDIARIES

Subsidiary Name	State or Jurisdiction of Formation
CFI RE Holdco, DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge OP Subsidiary, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Group Advisors, LLC	Delaware
Colony Capital Investment Advisors, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Investment Holdco, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge OP Subsidiary, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Operating Company, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Guarantor, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Issuer, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Holdings 1, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Digital IM Holdco, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Investment Management LLC	Delaware
Digital Bridge Holdings, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Management Holdings, LLC	Delaware
DCP Fund Advisor, LLC	Delaware
Digital Bridge Advisors, Holdings, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Zeus Investor, LLC	Delaware
Data Digital Bridge Intermediate Holdings, LP	Delaware
DataBridge Upper Parent, Inc.	Delaware
Colony DBH Investor, LLC	Delaware
DataBridge Upper Parent Holdings II, LP	Delaware
DataBridge Upper Parent DC, Inc.	Delaware
Catapult Sell Down Holdings, LP	Delaware
DigitalBridge Zeus Partners II, LP	Delaware
Data Bridge Holdings, Advisors, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Zeus GP, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Valhalla Zeus Investor, LLC	Delaware
DigitalBridge Zeus Partners I-A, II, LP	Delaware
DigitalBridge Valhalla Partners I-A Infrastructure Holdings, LP	Delaware
DCR YieldCo Holdings, LP	Delaware
Aviator DC REIT, Zeus SLP, LLC	Delaware
Aviator Holdings, LP	Delaware
Aviator Holdings REIT, CFI RE Holdco, LLC	Delaware



# CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

- (1) Registration Statement (Form S-3ASR No. 333-271089) of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. pertaining to the registration of its Class A common stock, preferred stock, depository shares, warrants and rights;
- (2) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-253752) 333-197104-01 of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (formerly Colony Capital, Inc.) pertaining to the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan;
- (2) (3) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-215509) of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. pertaining to the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan;
- (3) (4) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-197104-01) 333-253752 of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. pertaining to the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan; and
- (4) (5) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-263235) of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. pertaining to the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan; and
- (6) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-271090) of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. pertaining to the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan;

of our reports dated February 27, 2023 February 23, 2024, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2022 December 31, 2023.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Los Angeles, California  
February 27, 2023 23, 2024

## Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Marc C. Ganzi, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of DigitalBridge Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 27, 2023 23, 2024

/s/ Marc C. Ganzi

Marc C. Ganzi  
Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 31.2

**Certification of Chief Financial Officer**  
**Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Jacky Wu, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of DigitalBridge Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 27, 2023 23, 2024

/s/ Jacky Wu

Jacky Wu  
Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit 32.1

**Certification of Chief Executive Officer**

**Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350,  
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023** as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Marc C. Ganzi, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

- (i) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February **27, 2023** **23, 2024**

/s/ Marc C. Ganzi

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Marc C. Ganzi  
Chief Executive Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C §1350 and shall not be deemed filed by the Company for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or incorporated by reference in any registration statement of the Company filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

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**Exhibit 32.2**

**Certification of Chief Financial Officer  
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350,  
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended **December 31, 2022** **December 31, 2023** as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Jacky Wu, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

- (i) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February **27, 2023** **23, 2024**


/s/ Jacky Wu

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Jacky Wu  
Chief Financial Officer

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**Exhibit 97**

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**Clawback Policy**

**of DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**

**Adopted by the Board of Directors on October 27, 2023**

**Effective Date**

**This Clawback Policy (as may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, this "Policy") shall apply to any Incentive Compensation received on or after October 2, 2023 and supersedes and terminates DigitalBridge Group, Inc.'s previous clawback policy adopted in 2021.**

## Statement of Policy

### General

Subject to the exceptions set forth below, in the event that DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (the “Company”) is required to prepare an Accounting Restatement, the Company shall recover, reasonably promptly, the Excess Incentive Compensation received by any Covered Executive during the Recoupment Period.

This Policy applies to all Incentive Compensation received during the Recoupment Period by a person (a) after beginning service as a Covered Executive, (b) who served as a Covered Executive at any time during the performance period for that Incentive Compensation and (c) while the Company has a class of securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”) or another national securities exchange or a national securities association. Accordingly, this Policy can apply to a person that is no longer a Company employee or a Covered Executive at the time of recovery.

Incentive Compensation is deemed “received” for purposes of this Policy in the fiscal period during which the financial reporting measure specified in the Incentive Compensation award is attained, even if the payment or issuance of such Incentive Compensation occurs after the end of that period. For example, if the performance target for an award is based on total stockholder return for the year ended December 31, 2023, the award will be deemed to have been received in fiscal year 2023 even if paid in fiscal year 2024.

### Exceptions

The Company is not required to recover Excess Incentive Compensation pursuant to this Policy to the extent the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the “Committee”)

makes a determination that recovery would be impracticable for one of the following reasons (and the applicable procedural requirements are met):

- (a) after making a reasonable and documented attempt to recover the Excess Incentive Compensation, which documentation will be provided to the NYSE to the extent required, the Committee determines that the direct expenses that would be paid to a third party to assist in enforcing this Policy would exceed the amount to be recovered;
- (b) based on a legal opinion of counsel acceptable to the NYSE, which opinion will be provided to the NYSE to the extent required, the Committee determines that recovery would violate a home country law adopted prior to November 28, 2022; or
- (c) the Committee determines that recovery would likely cause an otherwise tax-qualified retirement plan, under which benefits are broadly available to employees of the Company, to fail to meet the requirements of 26 U.S.C. 401(a)(13) or 26 U.S.C. 411(a) and regulations thereunder.

### Definitions

“Accounting Restatement” means the Company is required to prepare an accounting restatement due to the material noncompliance of the Company with any financial reporting requirement under the securities laws, including any required accounting restatement to correct an error in previously issued financial statements that is material to the previously issued financial statements, or that would result in a material misstatement if the error were corrected in the current period or left uncorrected in the current period. For the avoidance of doubt, a restatement resulting solely from the retrospective application of a change in generally accepted accounting principles is not an Accounting Restatement.

“Covered Executive” means the Company’s Chief Executive Officer, President, Chief Financial Officer, principal accounting officer (or if there is no such accounting officer, the controller), any vice-president of the Company in charge of a principal business unit, division, or function, any other officer who performs a policy-making function for the Company, any other person who performs similar policy-making functions for the Company, and any other employee who may from time to time be deemed subject to this Policy by the Committee.

“Excess Incentive Compensation” means the amount of Incentive Compensation received during the Recoupment Period by any Covered Executive that exceeds the amount of Incentive Compensation that otherwise would have been received by such Covered Executive if the determination of the Incentive Compensation to be received had been determined based on restated amounts in the Accounting Restatement, computed without regard to any taxes paid.

**"Incentive Compensation"** means any compensation that is granted, earned, or vested based wholly or in part upon the attainment of a financial reporting measure. For purposes of this definition, a **"financial reporting measure"** is (i) any measure that is determined and presented in accordance with the accounting principles used in preparing the Company's financial statements and any measure derived wholly or in part from such measures, or (ii) the Company's stock price and/or total shareholder return. A financial reporting measure need not be presented within the financial statements or included in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

**"Recoupment Period"** means the three completed fiscal years preceding the Trigger Date, and any transition period (that results from a change in the Company's fiscal year) of less than nine months within or immediately following those three completed fiscal years, provided that any transition period of nine months or more shall count as a full fiscal year.

**"Trigger Date"** means the earlier to occur of: (a) the date the Board of Directors, the Audit Committee (or such other committee of the Board of Directors as may be authorized to make such a conclusion), or the officer or officers of the Company authorized to take such action if action by the Board of Directors is not required concludes, or reasonably should have concluded, that the Company is required to prepare an Accounting Restatement; or (b) the date a court, regulator, or other legally authorized body directs the Company to prepare an Accounting Restatement; in the case of both (a) and (b) regardless of if or when restated financial statements are filed.

#### Administration

This Policy is intended to comply with the listing requirements of the NYSE and related SEC rules and shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with those requirements. The Committee has full authority to interpret and administer this Policy. The Committee's determinations under this Policy shall be final and binding on all persons, need not be uniform with respect to each individual covered by the Policy, and shall be given the maximum deference permitted by law.

The Committee has the authority to determine the appropriate means of recovering Excess Incentive Compensation based on the particular facts and circumstances, which could include, but are not limited to, seeking direct reimbursement, forfeiture of awards, offsets against other payments, and forfeiture of deferred compensation (subject to compliance with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code).

Subject to any limitations under applicable law, the Committee may authorize any officer or employee of the Company to take actions necessary or appropriate to carry out the purpose and intent of this Policy, provided that no such authorization shall relate to any recovery under this Policy that involves such officer or employee.

If the Committee cannot determine the amount of excess Incentive Compensation received by a Covered Executive directly from the information in the Accounting Restatement, such as in the case of Incentive Compensation tied to stock price or total stockholder return, then it shall make its determination based on a reasonable estimate of the effect of the Accounting Restatement and shall maintain documentation of such determination, including for purposes of providing such documentation to the NYSE as required by the NYSE.

#### No Indemnification or Advancement of Legal Fees

Notwithstanding the terms of any indemnification agreement, insurance policy, contractual arrangement, the governing documents of the Company or other document or arrangement, the Company shall not indemnify any Covered Executive against, advance any expenses for, or pay the premiums for any insurance policy to cover, any amounts recovered under this Policy or any expenses that a Covered Executive incurs in opposing Company efforts to recoup amounts pursuant to the Policy.

#### Non-Exclusive Remedy; Successors

Recovery of Incentive Compensation pursuant to this Policy shall not in any way limit or affect the rights of the Company to pursue disciplinary, legal, or other action or pursue any other remedies available to it. This Policy shall be in addition to, and is not intended to limit, any rights of the Company to recover Incentive Compensation from Covered Executives under any legal remedy available to the Company and applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended, or pursuant to the terms of any other Company policy, employment agreement, equity award agreement, or similar agreement with a Covered Executive.

This Policy shall be binding and enforceable against all Covered Executives and their successors, beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, or other legal representatives.

#### Amendment

This Policy may be amended from time to time by the Committee or the Board of Directors of the Company.

**DigitalBridge Group, Inc.**  
**Form of Acknowledgment**

By my signature below, I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understand the DigitalBridge Group, Inc. Clawback Policy (the "Policy") adopted by DigitalBridge Group, Inc. (the "Company"), consent and agree to abide by its provisions and further agree that:

1. Defined terms used but not defined in this acknowledgment shall have the meanings set forth in the Policy.
2. The Policy shall apply to any Incentive Compensation as set forth in the Policy and all such Incentive Compensation shall be subject to recovery under the Policy;
3. Any applicable award agreement or other document setting forth the terms and conditions of any Incentive Compensation granted to me by the Company or its affiliates shall be deemed to include the restrictions imposed by the Policy and shall incorporate it by reference and in the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of the Policy and the applicable award agreement or other document setting forth the terms and conditions of any Incentive Compensation granted to me, the terms of the Policy shall govern unless the terms of such other agreement or other document would result in a greater recovery by the Company;
4. In the event it is determined by the Company that any amounts granted, awarded, earned or paid to me must be forfeited or reimbursed to the Company, I will promptly take any action necessary to effectuate such forfeiture and/or reimbursement;
5. I acknowledge that, notwithstanding any indemnification agreement or other arrangement between the Company and me, the Company shall not indemnify me against, advance any expenses for, or pay the premiums for any insurance policy to cover, losses incurred under the Policy;
6. The Policy may be amended from time to time in accordance with its terms; and
7. This acknowledgement and the Policy shall survive and continue in full force and in accordance with its terms, notwithstanding any termination of my employment with the Company and its affiliates.

Signature:

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Print Name:

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Date:

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