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The Honorable Thomas P. DiNapoli New York State Comptroller Office of the State Comptroller 110 State Street Albany, New York 12236

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Dear Comptroller DiNapoli,

On behalf of the membership of the Private Equity Women Investor Network (PEWIN), we applaud the efforts of the Office of the Comptroller and the staff of NYCRF in supporting diverse fund managers through the Annual Emerging Manager & MWBE Conference. For 17 years, the members of PEWIN have been proud participants of this important event which brings together leading thinkers and influencers in our industry.

At a time when diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives are coming under increased pressure nationally, your institution has remained steadfast in your commitment to advance these critical ideals. For that, we remain united in support of your program and are honored to be included.

PEWIN remains dedicated to supporting the advancement of women in the private equity and venture capital industries. Our focus is on convening and connecting women leaders in our asset class so that others may follow and ascend to positions of empowerment. The Conference offers a welcoming venue for all, where access to insights, decision makers and capital abounds. Thank you for the opportunity to support a level playing field for your prospective portfolio managers.

We look forward to the future and working together to further build upon the strong foundation you have set.

Wishing your team all the best for another successful conference.

Sincerely,

Emily Mendell Executive Director

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