

April 6, 2021

#### Dear Stockholders:

We cordially invite you to attend the Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be held virtually on May 13, 2021, at 2:00 P.M.

Details regarding the business to be conducted are more fully described in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement. In addition, I will report on current operations and discuss our plans for growth. We will also have plenty of time for your questions and comments. I believe that the Annual Meeting provides an excellent opportunity for stockholders to become better acquainted with the Company and its directors and officers. I hope that you will be able to attend.

Your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to log in to attend the virtual Annual Meeting, I hope that you will vote as soon as possible. Please review the instructions on each of your voting options described in the Proxy Statement.

Thank you for your ongoing support of, and continued interest in, Psychemedics Corporation.

Sincerely,

Raymond C. Kubacki

Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and President

#### PSYCHEMEDICS CORPORATION

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#### NOTICE OF VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

April 6, 2021

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on May 13, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. There will be no physical meeting location. The Annual Meeting will be a virtual stockholder meeting, conducted via live audio webcast, through which you can submit questions and vote online. The Annual Meeting can be accessed by visiting www.psychemedics.com/proxy and following the instructions. The Annual Meeting will be for the following purposes, as more fully described in the proxy statement (the "Proxy Statement"):

- 1. To elect directors of the Company for the ensuing year and until their respective successors are chosen and qualified;
- 2. To conduct a non-binding advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers;
- 3. To ratify the Audit Committee's appointment of BDO USA, LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2021;
- 4. To consider and act upon a proposal to ratify an amendment and restatement of the Company's 2006 Incentive Plan, including an increase in the number of authorized shares under the Plan; and
- 5. To consider and act upon matters incidental to the foregoing and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on March 15, 2021 as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Virtual Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to be Held Virtually on May 13, 2021: We have elected to provide access to our proxy materials by: (i) sending you this full set of proxy materials, including the proxy statement, our Annual Report for 2020, and a proxy card. Our Proxy Statement, Annual Report for 2020 and proxy card, are also available on the Internet that you may download and print by going to www.psychemedics.com/proxy.

We encourage you to review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials contained herein or accessed on our website at www.psychemedics.com/proxy before voting.

By order of the Board of Directors,

Patrick J. Kinney, Jr., Secretary

The Company's Annual Report for 2020 containing a copy of the Company's Form 10-K (excluding exhibits) for the year ended December 31, 2020 is enclosed herewith.

Please fill in, date, sign and mail promptly the accompanying proxy in the return envelope furnished for that purpose, whether or not you plan to attend the virtual Annual Meeting.



#### PSYCHEMEDICS CORPORATION

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#### PROXY STATEMENT

# VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 13, 2021

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in PSYCHEMEDICS CORPORATION (hereinafter, the "Company"). We have elected to provide access to our proxy materials by: (i) sending you this full set of proxy materials, including the proxy statement, our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2020, and a proxy card; and (ii) notifying you of the availability of these proxy materials on the internet that you may download and print by viewing <a href="https://www.psychemedics.com/proxy">www.psychemedics.com/proxy</a>. We encourage you to review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials contained herein or accessed on our website at <a href="https://www.psychemedics.com/proxy">www.psychemedics.com/proxy</a> before voting.

This statement is furnished to the stockholders of the Company in connection with management's solicitation of proxies to be used at the virtual Annual Meeting of Stockholders on May 13, 2021 and at any adjournment of that meeting. The approximate date on which this proxy statement and accompanying proxy are being sent to stockholders of the Company is April 6, 2021. Each proxy delivered pursuant to this solicitation, or any proxy that you may download from <a href="https://www.psychemedics.com/proxy">www.psychemedics.com/proxy</a>, is revocable at the option of the person executing the same by written notice delivered to the Secretary of the Company at any time before the proxy is voted. A stockholder who attends the virtual Annual Meeting in person may revoke his or her proxy at that time and vote his or her shares if such stockholder so desires.

Most stockholders of the Company hold their shares through a stockbroker, bank, trustee or other nominee rather than directly in their own name. As summarized below, there are some distinctions between shares held of record and those owned beneficially.

Stockholders of Record. If your shares are registered directly in your name with the Company's transfer agent, Computershare, you are considered the stockholder of record of those shares and these proxy materials are being sent directly to you by the Company. As the stockholder of record, you have the right to grant your voting proxy directly to the Company or to cast your vote yourself at the virtual Annual Meeting.

Beneficial Owner. If your shares are held in a stock brokerage account, by a bank, trustee or other nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name and these proxy materials are being forwarded to you by your broker, trustee or nominee who is considered the stockholder of record of those shares. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker, trustee or nominee on how to vote and are also invited to attend the virtual Annual Meeting. However, since you are not the stockholder of record, you may not vote these shares yourself at the virtual Annual Meeting. Your broker, trustee or nominee is obligated to provide you with a voting instruction card for you to use.

The presence in person or by proxy of stockholders entitled to cast a majority of the outstanding shares, or 2,768,247 shares, shall constitute a quorum. Under Nasdaq rules, if your broker holds your shares in its name and does not receive voting instructions from you, your broker has discretion to vote these shares on certain "routine" matters, including Proposal 3, the ratification of the Audit Committee's appointment of BDO USA, LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm. However, on non-routine matters such as Proposal 1, the election of directors, or Proposal 2, the non-binding advisory vote concerning executive compensation, or Proposal 4, the ratification of the amendment and restatement of the Company's 2006 Incentive Plan, your broker must receive voting instructions from you, as it does not have discretionary voting power for these particular items. So long as the broker has discretion to vote on at least one proposal, these "broker nonvotes" are counted toward establishing a quorum. When voted on "routine" matters, broker non-votes are counted toward determining the outcome of that "routine" matter. With respect to the election of Directors, the Company will treat votes withheld as shares that are present for purposes of determining a quorum. A plurality is required to elect Directors, so the five persons receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected. Withheld votes will not affect the outcome of the election. With respect to the ratification of the Audit Committee's appointment of BDO USA, LLP, the vote, on an advisory and non-binding basis, of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers or the ratification of the amendment and restatement of the Company's 2006 Incentive Plan, the Company will treat abstentions as shares that are present and entitled to vote. Since a majority of the shares represented at the meeting and entitled to vote is required for approval, abstentions will have the effect of a vote against approval of these proposals. These abstentions, however, are counted towards establishing a quorum for the

Annual Meeting. If a broker indicates on a proxy that it does not have discretionary authority as to certain shares to vote on a particular matter, those shares will not be considered as shares entitled to vote with respect to that matter. Accordingly, broker non-votes will have no effect on such a matter.

For stockholders of record, all shares represented by the proxies mailed to stockholders will be voted at the virtual Annual Meeting in accordance with instructions given by the stockholders. If no choice is specified, the proxies will be voted FOR Proposal 1, the election of the five nominees named under "Election of Directors", unless authority to do so is withheld with respect to one or more of the nominees, FOR Proposal 2 - approval, on an advisory and non-binding basis, of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers, FOR Proposal 3 - ratification of the Audit Committee's appointment of BDO USA, LLP for the year ending December 31, 2021, FOR Proposal 4 - ratification of the amendment and restatement of the Company's 2006 Incentive Plan, and in the discretion of the proxy holders upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

As of March 15, 2021, the Company had outstanding 5,536,493 shares of Common Stock. The Common Stock is the only type of security entitled to vote at the virtual Annual Meeting. Each share of Common Stock entitles the holder of record thereof at the close of business on March 15, 2021 to one vote on each of the matters to be voted upon at the virtual Annual Meeting.

# PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

At the virtual Annual Meeting, directors are to be elected to hold office for the ensuing year and until their respective successors are chosen and qualified. The Board of Directors has fixed the size of the Board at five and has nominated five persons, all of whom are now directors of the Company, to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors are elected and qualified. If the enclosed proxy, or any proxy that you may download from <code>www.psychemedics.com/proxy</code> is duly executed and received in time for the virtual Annual Meeting, and unless authority to do so is withheld, it will be voted to elect as directors the following nominees: Raymond C. Kubacki, Harry Connick, Walter S. Tomenson, Jr., Fred J. Weinert and Robyn C. Davis. In the event that any of the nominees becomes unavailable, then the proxy holders shall have the right: (i) to vote for such substitute, if any, as the present Board of Directors may designate; or (ii) to leave a vacancy on the Board.

### **BUSINESS EXPERIENCE OF NOMINEES**

Following is a list of names, ages and positions with the Company of all nominees for election as directors of the Company.

| <u>Name</u>            | <u>Age</u> | <u>Position</u>  |
|------------------------|------------|--|
| Raymond C. Kubacki     | 76         | Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer,<br>President, Director and Nominee   |
| Harry Connick          | 95         | Director and Nominee, Member of Audit, Nominating and Compensation Committees  |
| Walter S. Tomenson, Jr | 74         | Director and Nominee, Member of Audit, Nominating and Compensation Committees  |
| Fred J. Weinert        | 73         | Director and Nominee, Member of Audit, Nominating,<br>Compensation and Brazil Oversight Committees; Lead<br>Independent Director |
| Robyn C. Davis         | 59         | Director and Nominee, Member of Audit, Nominating and Compensation Committees  |

All directors hold office until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their successors are elected.

Mr. Kubacki has been the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer since 1991. He has also served as Chairman of the Board of the Company since 2003. From 2011 until 2016, he served as a director of Integrated Environmental Technologies, Ltd. From 2007 until 2010, he served as a director of Protection One, Inc. and from 2004 to 2007 he served as a director of Integrated Alarm Services Group, Inc. He is also a trustee of the Center for Excellence in Education based in Washington, D.C. and holds an Executive Masters Professional Director Certification from the American College of Corporate Directors, an organization that provides educational and other services to public and private company directors. As a result of these and other professional experiences, Mr. Kubacki possesses particular knowledge and experience in marketing and operations that strengthen the Board's collective qualifications, skills and experience. Mr. Kubacki has been a director of the Company since 1991.

Mr. Connick served as District Attorney for Orleans Parish (New Orleans, LA) from 1974 to 2003. In 2002 Mr. Connick received from Drug Czar, John P. Walters, the Director's Award for Distinguished Service, in recognition of exemplary accomplishment and distinguished service in the fight against illegal drugs. As a result of these and other professional experiences, Mr. Connick possesses particular knowledge and experience in law enforcement and the effects of drugs of abuse and their effect on society that strengthen the Board's collective qualifications, skills and experience. Mr. Connick has been a director of the Company since 2003.

Mr. Tomenson was a senior advisor to Integro Ltd., having retired in 2011. Mr. Tomenson was Managing Director and Chairman of Client Development of Marsh, Inc. from 1998 until 2004. From 1983 to 1998 he was Chairman of FINPRO, the financial/professional services division of Marsh, Inc. Mr. Tomenson is a Trustee of Trinity College School Fund, Inc. He also serves on the Executive Council of Inner-City Scholarship Fund. He is a board member and Vice-Chairman of the Achievement Centers for Children and Families (Delray Beach, FL). Mr. Tomenson holds an Executive Masters Professional Director Certification from the American College of Corporate Directors. As a result of these and other professional experiences, Mr. Tomenson possesses particular knowledge and experience in marketing and distribution and human resources that strengthen the Board's collective qualifications, skills and experience. Mr. Tomenson has been a director of the Company since 1999.

Mr. Weinert is an entrepreneur whose current activities are concentrated in commercial real estate, international business development and environmental consulting. He served on the Business Advisory Council for the University of Dayton from 1984 until 2005. From 1973 until 1989, Mr. Weinert held various executive positions in the Finance and Operations groups of Waste Management, Inc. and its subsidiaries, including 6 years as the President of Waste Management International, Inc. Mr. Weinert holds a Professional Director Certification from the American College of Corporate Directors. As a result of these and other professional experiences, Mr. Weinert possesses particular knowledge and experience in accounting, finance, capital structures, distribution and international operations that strengthen the Board's collective qualifications, skills and experience. Mr. Weinert has been a director of the Company since 1991.

Ms. Davis has been managing director of Angel Healthcare Investors, LLC, an early-stage private equity investment group focused on medical devices, life sciences and specialty pharmaceutical companies, since 2000. Prior to Angel Healthcare, Ms. Davis was a director of the merchant banking services practices for Barents Group, LLC, and a strategy consultant at Bain & Company. She serves as a director of Brooks Automation, Inc. (BRKS), a leading global provider of manufacturing automation solutions for the semiconductor industry, and life science sample-based services and solutions for the life sciences market, where she has served on their audit, compensation and finance committees. Ms. Davis also serves as a director of Akston Biosciences Corporation, an early-stage company developing an insulin engineering platform for multiple conditions. Ms. Davis holds an Executive Masters Professional Director Certification from the American College of Corporate Directors and an MBA from Harvard Business School. As a result of these and other professional experiences, Ms. Davis possesses particular knowledge and experience in value-creation, growth strategy, cost reduction, and leadership development that strengthens the Board's collective qualifications, skills and experience. Ms. Davis elected as a director of the Company on March 16, 2021.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### General

The Company believes that good corporate governance is important to ensure that the Company is managed for the long-term benefit of its stockholders. The Board of Directors of the Company has responsibility for establishing broad corporate policies and reviewing the overall performance of the Company. The Company's officers are responsible for day-to-day operations. The Board's primary responsibility is to oversee the management of the Company and, in so doing, serve the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. The Board selects, evaluates and provides for the succession of executive officers and, subject to stockholder election, directors. It reviews and approves corporate objectives and strategies and evaluates significant policies and proposed major commitments of corporate resources. It participates in decisions that have a potential major economic impact on the Company. Management keeps the directors informed of Company activity through detailed monthly reports and presentations at Board and committee meetings.

The Board of Directors has delegated certain of its oversight responsibilities to four separate subcommittees: an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, a Nominating Committee and a Brazil Oversight Committee, each of which is comprised solely of independent directors (see "Independence" below). Each of the Audit, Compensation and Nominating Committees operates under a special charter pertaining to such committee. Each such charter has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Company and is posted on the Company's web site at <a href="https://www.psychemedics.com/proxy">www.psychemedics.com/proxy</a>. Each committee must review the appropriateness of its charter and perform a self-evaluation at least annually. Mr. Kubacki is the only director who is also an employee of the Company. He is not included in deliberations concerning evaluation of his own compensation at any meetings of the Compensation Committee. All members of all committees are non-employee directors.

The Company has in place a comprehensive Code of Ethics and Conduct. You may obtain a copy of the Company's Code of Ethics and Conduct by writing to the Company at Investor Relations, Psychemedics Corporation, 289 Great Road, Suite 200, Acton, Massachusetts 01720, or by viewing the Investor Information section of the Company's website at <a href="https://www.psychemedics.com/proxy">www.psychemedics.com/proxy</a>.

# Independence

Under the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market, a majority of the directors and all of the members of the Audit Committee must qualify as independent directors. The Board of Directors of the Company conducts an annual review of the independence of the members of the Board and its committees. Four of our five directors are nonemployee directors (all except Mr. Kubacki). Although the Board has not adopted categorical standards of materiality for independence purposes (other than those set forth in Securities and Exchange Commission Regulations and the Nasdaq Stock Market listing standards), information provided by the directors and the Company did not indicate any relationships (e.g., commercial, industrial, banking, consulting, legal, accounting, charitable, or familial), which would impair the independence of any of the nonemployee directors. In addition, Director A. Clinton Allen, was independent during his 2020 tenure on our Board.

#### **Certain Relationships and Related Transactions**

The Board of Directors has adopted a policy whereby the Company's Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing any proposed related party transaction. The types of transactions covered by the policy include payments for products or services to or indebtedness to or from, related parties, as defined in Item 404(b) of Regulation S-K under the federal securities laws. The Audit Committee has determined that there were no related party transactions with any related party in fiscal 2020 that would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

# **Board of Directors Meetings and Committees**

The Board of Directors met eight times in fiscal year 2020 (including teleconference meetings). During fiscal year 2020, each of the directors attended at least 75% of the total number of meetings of the Board of Directors and the committees of which such director was a member.

The Company encourages all incumbent directors, as well as all nominees for election as director, to attend the annual meetings of Stockholders. All of the Company's directors who were directors at the time attended the Company's Annual Meeting in May 2020.

#### Audit Committee

The Audit Committee, whose members are Ms. Davis and Messrs. Connick, Tomenson and Weinert, reviews the appropriateness, quality and acceptability of the Company's accounting policies and the integrity of financial statements reported to the public, and compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. Director Allen also served on the Audit Committee until his death in December 2020. The Board has determined that each member of the Audit Committee is an "independent director" under the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market governing the qualifications of the members of audit committees, and each member of the Audit Committee satisfies the requirements of the Nasdaq Stock Market regarding competency in financial matters. In addition, the Board of Directors has determined that Mr. Weinert, the Chairman of the Audit Committee, qualifies as an "Audit Committee Financial Expert" as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission rules. The responsibilities of the Audit Committee and its activities during fiscal year 2020 are described in the Report of the Audit Committee set forth below in this proxy statement. The Audit Committee held five meetings during 2020.

# Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee, whose members are Ms. Davis and Messrs. Connick, Tomenson and Weinert, held four meetings during 2020. The Compensation Committee operates pursuant to a written charter (the "Compensation Committee Charter") that was adopted by the Board of Directors and that complies with applicable Nasdaq listing standards. The Compensation Committee Charter is available at the Company's website, www.psychemedics.com. Under the provisions of the Compensation Committee Charter, the primary functions of the Compensation Committee include determining salaries and bonuses for the Company's executive officers, individuals to whom stock options, other equity-based awards and cash awards are granted, and the terms upon which such grants and awards are made, adopting incentive plans, overseeing risks associated with the Company's compensation policies and practices, evaluating the performance of the Company's executive officers, reviewing with management compensation disclosures to be included in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), and determining director compensation, benefits and overall compensation. The Compensation Committee has the sole discretion and express authority to retain and terminate any compensation consultant, including sole authority to approve the consultant's fees and other retention terms.

#### Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

None of Ms. Davis or Messrs. Connick, Tomenson or Weinert has ever been an officer or employee of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company and no executive officer of the Company serves on the board of directors of any company at which any of the Compensation Committee members is employed.

# Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee, whose members are Ms. Davis and Messrs. Connick, Tomenson (Chair) and Weinert, held one meeting during 2020. Director Allen also served on the Nominating Committee until his death in December 2020. The Nominating Committee operates pursuant to a written charter (the "Nominating Committee Charter") that was adopted by the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee Charter is available at the Company's website, www.psychemedics.com. Under the provisions of the Nominating Committee Charter, the Nominating Committee is charged with identifying and screening candidates, consistent with criteria approved by the Board of Directors, and making recommendations to the Board of Directors as to persons to be nominated by the Board of Directors for election thereto by the stockholders or to be chosen by the Board of Directors to fill newly created directorships or vacancies on the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has determined that each of the members of the Nominating Committee is independent as defined in the Nasdaq Stock Market's listing standards.

The Nominating Committee identifies Board candidates through numerous sources, including recommendations from Directors, executive officers and stockholders of the Company. The Nominating Committee evaluates identified Board candidates based on the criteria established by and periodically reviewed by the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee seeks to identify those individuals most qualified to serve as Board members and will consider many factors with regard to each candidate, including judgment, integrity, diversity, prior experience, the interplay of the candidate's experience with the experience of other Board members, the extent to which the candidate would be desirable as a member of any committees of the Board, and the candidate's willingness to devote the time and effort required for Board responsibilities. The Nominating Committee does not assign any particular weight or importance to any one of these factors but rather considers them as a whole. Selected candidates are interviewed by members of the Nominating Committee and certain other Board members. Based on the foregoing, the Nominating Committee makes recommendations to the Board with respect to director nominees. In general, persons recommended by stockholders will be considered on the same basis as candidates from other sources. If a stockholder wishes to recommend a candidate for election as a director at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, it must follow the procedures described in "Stockholder Proposals and Nominations for Director" below.

# Brazil Oversight Committee

The Brazil Oversight Committee, whose sole member is Mr. Weinert, is responsible for corporate governance oversight of the Company's operations in Brazil, including its relationship with its Brazil distributor and issues relating to the Company's international operations generally. The Brazil Oversight Committee does not have a charter.

# Board Leadership Structure, Risk Oversight, Executive Sessions of Nonemployee Directors, and Communications Between Stockholders and the Board

#### Board Leadership Structure

As noted above, our Board is currently comprised of four independent directors and one employee director. Mr. Kubacki has served as Chairman of the Board since 2003, and he has served as Chief Executive Officer and as a member of our Board since 1991. We believe that our independent, experienced directors, who constitute a majority of our Board, benefit Psychemedics and its stockholders. In February 2021, the Company adopted a Lead Director Charter and appointed Fred J. Weinert as the Company's initial Lead Independent Director. The Lead Director Charter is available at the Company's website, www.psychemedics.com. We recognize that different board leadership structures may be appropriate for companies in different situations and believe that no one structure is suitable for all companies. We believe that our structure benefits the Company and its stockholders.

In addition to presiding at executive sessions of independent directors, the Lead Independent Director has the responsibility to: (1) coordinate with the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer in establishing the agenda and topic items for Board meetings; (2) retain independent advisors on behalf of the Board as the Board may determine is necessary or appropriate; and (3) perform such other functions as the independent directors may designate from time to time.

As part of an annual self-evaluation, our Board of Directors conducts an evaluation in order to determine whether it and its committees are functioning effectively. As part of this annual self-evaluation, the Board evaluates whether the current leadership structure continues to be optimal for Psychemedics and its stockholders. When making recommendations of future Board candidates, our Nominating Committee, under the authority vested in it under our Nominating Committee Charter, is provided flexibility to modify or continue our leadership structure in the future, as it deems appropriate.

# Risk Oversight

Our Board is responsible for overseeing the Company's risk management process. The Board focuses on Psychemedics' general risk management strategy, the most significant risks facing Psychemedics, and ensures that appropriate risk mitigation strategies are implemented by management. The Board is also apprised of particular risk management matters in connection with its general oversight and approval of corporate matters.

The Board has delegated to the Audit Committee oversight of Psychemedics' risk management process. Among its duties, the Audit Committee reviews with management (a) Psychemedics' policies with respect to risk assessment and management of risks that may be material to Psychemedics, (b) Psychemedics' system of disclosure controls and system of internal controls over financial reporting, and (c) Psychemedics' compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. The Audit Committee is also responsible for reviewing major legislative and regulatory developments that could materially impact Psychemedics' contingent liabilities and risks. Our full Board also considers and addresses risk as it performs its responsibilities. All committees report to the full Board as appropriate, including when a matter rises to the level of a material or enterprise level risk.

Psychemedics' management is responsible for day-to-day risk management. Our Vice President and Controller undertakes primary responsibility for monitoring and testing for company-wide policies and procedures and manages the day-to-day oversight of the risk management strategy for the ongoing business of Psychemedics. This oversight includes identifying, evaluating, and addressing potential risks that may exist at the enterprise, strategic, financial, operational, and compliance and reporting levels.

We believe the division of risk management responsibilities described above is an effective approach for addressing the risks facing Psychemedics and that our Board leadership structure supports this approach.

Executive Sessions of Nonemployee Directors

The Board holds executive sessions of its nonemployee directors generally at each regularly scheduled meeting. The Chairman of the Audit Committee serves as the chairperson for these executive sessions.

Communications between Stockholders and the Board

Interested parties, including stockholders, may communicate directly with the Chairman of the Audit Committee or the nonemployee directors as a group by writing to those individuals or the group at the following address: Psychemedics Corporation, 289 Great Road, Suite 200, Acton, Massachusetts 01720. If correspondence is received by the Corporate Secretary, it will be forwarded to the appropriate person or persons in accordance with the procedures adopted by a majority of the independent directors of the Board. When reporting a concern, please supply sufficient information so that the matter may be addressed properly. Although you are encouraged to identify yourself to assist Psychemedics in effectively addressing your concern, you may choose to remain anonymous, and Psychemedics will use its reasonable efforts to protect your identity to the extent appropriate or permitted by law.

# **Report of the Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors is responsible for providing independent, objective oversight of the Company's accounting functions and internal controls. Management has the primary responsibility for the financial statements and the reporting process, including the system of internal controls. The Audit Committee oversees the financial reporting process on behalf of the Board of Directors, reviews financial disclosures, and meets privately, outside the presence of management, with the independent auditors to discuss internal accounting control policies and procedures. In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the Audit Committee reviews the audited financial statements in the Annual Report on Form 10-K with management including a discussion of the quality, not just the acceptability, of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant judgments, and the clarity of disclosures in the financial statements. The Audit Committee reports on these meetings to the Board of Directors. The Audit Committee also selects and appoints the independent auditors, reviews the performance of the independent auditors in the annual audit and in assignments unrelated to the audit, and pre-approves the independent auditors' services. The Audit Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board of Directors, a copy of which can be viewed on the Company's website under "Corporate Governance".

The Audit Committee has reviewed our audited consolidated financial statements for 2020 with management, and management has represented to the Audit Committee that these financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The Audit Committee discussed with management the quality and the sufficiency of the accounting principles employed, including all critical accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements and related notes, the reasonableness of judgments made, and the clarity of the disclosures included in the statements.

The Audit Committee also reviewed with BDO USA, LLP, the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2020, their judgments as to the quality, not just the acceptability, of accounting principles and such other matters as are required to be discussed with the Audit Committee under the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the "PCAOB"). In addition, the Audit Committee has received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent auditors required by the PCAOB Rule 3526 and has discussed with the independent auditors the independence of the independent auditors. The Audit Committee considered and determined that the provision of non-audit services by BDO USA, LLP was compatible with maintaining auditor independence. Finally, the Audit Committee discussed with BDO USA, LLP the matters required to be discussed under the PCAOB Auditing Standard No. 1301, Communications with Audit Committees (AS 1301).

Based on its review and discussions, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited financial statements be included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.

Members of the Audit Committee:

Harry Connick Walter S. Tomenson, Jr. Fred J. Weinert Robyn C. Davis

#### **Director Compensation**

Mr. Kubacki receives no additional compensation for serving on the Company's Board of Directors. Each of the Company's outside (non-employee) directors received cash compensation of \$50,000 in 2020. In addition, Mr. Weinert received additional cash compensation of \$15,000 in 2020 for serving as Chairman of the Audit Committee, and \$95,000 for serving as the Board's corporate governance representative overseeing the Corporation's activities in Brazil. Each of the outside directors has also been granted from time to time equity awards under the Company's equity compensation plans, most recently in November 2020. In each case the directors were granted stock unit awards or non-qualified stock options with an equivalent fair value, that in each case vest with respect to 50% of the number of shares covered thereunder on approximately the first anniversary of the date of grant, and with respect to the balance of 50% of the shares on the second anniversary of the date of grant. Any unvested stock unit awards or options terminate upon the cessation of a recipient's service as a member of the Board of Directors, subject to partial or full vesting in the case of termination on account of retirement, death or permanent disability. In the event of a change in control of the Company (as defined in the stock unit award or option agreement evidencing the award) the stock unit awards or options become fully vested immediately prior to the effective date of such change in control.

The following table shows, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020, the compensation paid by the Company or accrued for such year, to the Company's non-employee directors. The compensation paid to Mr. Kubacki for his service as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President, is reported in the Summary Compensation Table under the caption "Executive Compensation" below.

# Director Compensation For Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2020

| (a)                  | (b)            | (c)           | (d)          | (e)              | (f)        |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|------------|
|                      | Fees Earned or | Stock         | Option       | All other        |            |
| Name                 | Paid in Cash   | Awards (1)    | Awards (1)   | Compensation (4) | Total      |
| A. Clinton Allen*    | \$ 50,000      | \$ 81,400 (2) | \$ 2,200 (3) |                  | \$ 133,600 |
| Harry Connick        | \$ 50,000      | \$ 81,400 (2) | \$ 2,200     |                  | \$ 133,600 |
| Walter Tomenson, Jr. | \$ 50,000      | \$ 81,400 (2) | \$ 2,200 (3) |                  | \$ 133,600 |
| Fred J. Weinert      | \$ 160,000     | \$ 81,400 (2) | \$ 2,200 (3) |                  | \$ 243,600 |

- \* All amounts reported for Director Allen are as of the date of his death on December 5, 2020.
- (1) The amounts in columns (c) and (d) reflect the grant date fair values of awards to the named individuals in 2020.
- (2) As of December 31, 2020 (December 5, 2020 in the case of Director Allen), the number of shares underlying unvested stock unit awards held by the directors was as follows: Director Allen: 0; Mr. Connick: 23,275, of which 3,275 shares vest on April 30, 2021, 10,000 shares vest on November 11, 2021 and the balance on November 11, 2022; Mr. Tomenson: 20,000; of which 10,000 shares vest on November 11, 2021 and the balance on November 11, 2022 and Mr. Weinert: 21,000 of which 1,000 shares vest on April 30, 2021, 10,000 shares vest on November 11, 2021, and the balance on November 11, 2022.
- As of December 31, 2020 (December 5, 2020 in the case of Director Allen), the number of shares underlying non-qualified stock options held by the directors was as follows: Mr. Allen: 63,500, all of which were then exercisable; Mr. Connick: 2,000, of which options to acquire 1,000 shares are exercisable on November 11, 2021 and options to acquire 1,000 shares are exercisable on November 11, 2022; Mr. Tomenson: 64,500, of which options to acquire 51,000 were then exercisable, options to acquire 11,500 shares are exercisable on April 30, 2021, options to acquire 1,000 shares are exercisable on November 11, 2021 and options to acquire 1,000 shares are exercisable on April 30, 2021, options to acquire 1,000 shares are exercisable on April 30, 2021, options to acquire 1,000 shares are exercisable on November 11, 2021 and options to acquire 1,000 shares are exercisable on November 11, 2022.
- (4) Any perquisites or other personal benefits received from the Company by the named director were less than the reporting thresholds established by the Securities and Exchange Commission (\$10,000).

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### **Overview of Compensation Program**

The Compensation Committee of the Board has responsibility for establishing, implementing and continually monitoring adherence to the Company's compensation philosophy. The Compensation Committee ensures that the total compensation paid to the executive officers is fair, reasonable and competitive.

Throughout this proxy statement, the individual who served as the Company's Chief Executive Officer during fiscal 2020, as well as the other individuals included in the Summary Compensation Table on page 12, are referred to as the "named executive officers" ("NEOs").

#### **Compensation Philosophy and Objectives**

The Compensation Committee believes that the most effective executive compensation program is one that is designed to reward the achievement of specific annual performance goals by the Company, and which aligns executives' interests with those of the stockholders by rewarding performance with the ultimate objective of improving stockholder value. The Compensation Committee evaluates both performance and compensation to ensure that the Company maintains its ability to attract and retain superior employees in key positions and that compensation provided to key employees remains competitive relative to the compensation paid to similarly situated executives of similarly sized public companies. To that end, the Compensation Committee believes executive compensation packages provided by the Company to its executives, including the named executive officers, should include both cash and stock-based compensation and that its executives' performance should be rewarded as measured against established goals.

#### **Role of Executive Officers in Compensation Decisions**

The Compensation Committee makes all compensation decisions for the Chief Executive Officer but takes into account his recommendations when making compensation decisions with respect to the other executive officers.

The Chief Executive Officer annually reviews the performance of each other executive officer. The conclusions reached and recommendations based on these reviews, including with respect to salary adjustments and annual award amounts, are presented to the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee can exercise its discretion in modifying any recommended adjustments or awards to executives.

#### **Setting Executive Compensation**

Based on the foregoing objectives, the Compensation Committee has structured the Company's annual and long-term incentive-based cash and non-cash executive compensation to motivate executives to achieve the business goals set by the Company and reward the executives for achieving such goals.

In making compensation decisions, the Compensation Committee compares each element of total compensation against what the Compensation Committee believes to be the average amount paid to similarly situated executives at comparably sized publicly-traded and privately-held companies.

A significant percentage of total compensation is allocated to incentives as a result of the philosophy mentioned above. The Compensation Committee determines the appropriate level and mix of incentive compensation. Income from such incentive compensation is realized as a result of the performance of the Company or the individual, depending on the type of award, compared to established goals. A significant portion of its total compensation payable to executive officers is in the form of cash bonus awards tied to achievement of performance goals and to the award of restricted stock units or stock options that would become vested over a period of time.

#### **2020 Executive Compensation Components**

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020, the principal components of compensation for named executive officers were:

- base salary
- performance-based cash incentive compensation; and
- long-term equity incentive compensation

Base Salary

Base salary ranges for named executive officers are determined for each executive based on his or her position and responsibility, a market competitive assessment of similar roles at other companies and a comparison of salaries paid to peers within the Company. Salary levels are typically considered annually as part of the Company's performance review process as well as upon a promotion or other change in job responsibility. Merit based increases to salaries of executive officers are based on the Compensation Committee's assessment of the individual's performance.

# Incentive Cash Bonus Compensation

The Company typically provides its named executive officers with the opportunity to earn cash incentive bonuses. For most years, bonuses are determined based on a combination of qualitative and quantitative, company and individual measures, the details of which are established annually in the form of business objectives. The business objectives may vary for each executive based upon his or her responsibilities and may include financial and/or strategic measures. The Compensation Committee typically retains the discretion to amend the bonus program including the ability to increase or decrease any bonus payment and make changes to any financial and/or strategic measures. In 2020, the named executive officers' bonuses were computed as follows: (i) up to seven and one-half percent (7.5%) of base salary would be payable if the Company achieved pre-determined revenue targets; (ii) up to an additional seven and one-half percent (7.5%) of base salary would be payable based on achievement of individual written performance objectives for the fiscal year, as determined by Mr. Kubacki (for named executive officers other than himself) and as determined by the Compensation Committee (with respect to achievement of the bonus award by Mr. Kubacki. The Compensation Committee retained sole discretion over all matters relating to the annual bonus payments, including, without limitation, the decision to pay any bonuses, the amount of each

bonus, if any, the ability to increase or decrease any bonus payment and make changes to any financial and/or strategic measures.

#### Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation

It is the philosophy of the Company to provide executives with incentives to receive equity in the Company and, thus, align their financial interests with those of the Company's shareholders. The Company's 2006 Incentive Plan, which is the subject of Proposal 4 below, provides long-term rewards and incentives to the Company's named executive officers, as well as other participants.

#### Stock Unit Awards.

Stock unit awards ("Awards") represent a right to receive shares of the Company's Common Stock in varying amounts subject to satisfaction of certain time-based vesting requirements. The amount of stock unit awards granted to the named executive officers typically varies based upon their levels of responsibility, their individual performance and the Company's performance for the year preceding the year of grant. Each of the units provides for vesting over the four-year period following the date of grant and are convertible into shares of Common Stock of the Company upon vesting.

#### Stock Options.

Stock options ("Option Awards") represent a right to acquire shares of the Company's Common Stock in varying amounts at a strike price equal to the closing price on the date of grant, subject to satisfaction of certain time-based vesting requirements. The number of Option Awards granted to the executive officers typically varies based upon their levels of responsibility and their individual performance. Each of the Option Awards provides for vesting over the four-year period following the date of grant.

# Retirement and Other Benefits

The Company maintains a 401(k) plan for the benefit of all employees who have satisfied minimum age requirements. Employees have the opportunity to contribute to the plan on a before tax basis, subject to limits prescribed under the Internal Revenue Code. All employee contributions and any Company matching contributions are 100% vested on the date of contribution. The Company does not maintain any separate non-qualified retirement plans.

### Perquisites and Other Personal Benefits

Any perquisites or other personal benefits that the Company offers to its executive officers are below the threshold limit (\$10,000 per executive, per annum) for reporting under SEC rules.

The Company has entered into Change of Control Severance Agreements with Messrs. Kubacki, Doucot and Schaffer. The Change of Control Severance Agreements are designed to promote stability and continuity of senior management. Information regarding applicable payments under such agreements for Messrs. Kubacki, Doucot and Schaffer is provided under the heading "Potential Payments upon Termination and Change in Control" on page 13.

# Tax and Accounting Implications

As part of its role, the Compensation Committee reviews and considers the deductibility of executive compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, which provides that the Company may not deduct compensation of more than \$1,000,000 per year to named executive officers except, in the case of equity awards granted prior to 2018, to the extent they constituted performance-based compensation. Depending on future stock prices, it is possible that a portion of the payments that might be payable to Mr. Kubacki under the agreement with him described under the heading "Potential Payments upon Termination and Change in Control" on page 13 may not be fully deductible. Subject to the foregoing, the Company believes that all compensation paid to its executive officers is, or will be when paid, fully deductible for federal income tax purposes.

#### **Summary of Cash and Certain Other Compensation**

The following tables show, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the total compensation earned by the Company's Chief Executive Officer, as the Company's principal executive officer, and those individuals who were the Company's two most highly compensated executive officers other than the Chief Executive Officer (collectively the "named executive officers") during the year ended December 31, 2020, and outstanding equity awards held by the named executive officers as of December 31, 2020.

#### **Summary Compensation Table**

| (a)                                    | (b)  | (c)       | (d)       | (e)       | (f)                   | (g)                         | (h)   | (i)                         | (j)       |
|--|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------|
|  |      |           |           |           |                       |                             | Change in<br>Pension<br>Value and<br>Nonqualified |                             |           |
|  |      |           |           | G. 1      | 0                     | Non-Equity                  | Deferred  |                             |           |
|  |      |           |           | Stock     | Option                |                             | Compensation                                      |                             |           |
| Name and Position                      | Year | Salary    | Bonus (1) | Awards    | Awards <sup>(2)</sup> | Compensation <sup>(3)</sup> | Earnings  | Compensation <sup>(4)</sup> | Total     |
| Raymond C. Kubacki                     | 2020 | \$509,654 |           | \$142,450 | \$ 16,951             |                             |   | \$ 16,146                   | \$685,201 |
| Chairman, CEO, &<br>President          | 2019 | \$525,000 | \$ 20,000 |           | \$ 180,600            |                             |   | \$ 11,200                   | \$736,800 |
| Charles Doucot                         | 2020 | \$313,692 |           | \$ 73,260 | \$ 7,910              |                             |   | \$ 2,831                    | \$397,693 |
| Executive Vice President               | 2019 | \$335,000 |           |           | \$ 90,300             |                             |   | \$ 11,200                   | \$436,500 |
| Michael I. Schaffer                    | 2020 | \$274,180 |           | \$ 28,490 | \$ 2,260              |                             |   | \$ 8,524                    | \$313,454 |
| Vice President Labortory<br>Operations | 2019 | \$283,500 | \$ 25,000 |           | \$ 30,100             |                             |   | \$ 11,200                   | \$349,800 |

- (1) The amounts in column (d) reflect cash bonus awards made to the executive officers based on achievement of certain financial and individual objectives, as described in more detail on page 10 under the heading "Incentive Cash Bonus Compensation".
- The amounts in column (f) reflect the grant date fair value of the awards with respect to stock options granted in the applicable year, measured in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Amounts shown do not reflect compensation actually received by the named executive officer nor does it necessarily reflect the actual value that will be recognized by the named executive officer. The assumptions used to calculate the value of option awards are set forth under Note 7—Stock-Based Awards, to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.
- (3) The amount in column (g) represents commissions paid to the named executive officer.
- (4) The amounts shown in column (i) reflect for each named executive officer matching contributions allocated by the Company to each of the named executive officers during the applicable year pursuant to the Company's 401(k) Plan (which is more fully described on page 11 under the heading "Retirement and Other Benefits"); the amount of perquisites attributable to each named executive officer did not exceed \$10,000 in either 2019 or 2020.

# **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End**

|                     |             | Opti          |             | Stock    | Awards     |          |           |           |           |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| (a)                 | (b)         | (c)           | (d)         | (e)      | (f)        | (g)      | (h)       | (i)       | (j)       |
|                     |             |               |             |          |            |          |           |           | Equity    |
|                     |             |               |             |          |            |          |           | Equity    | Incentive |
|                     |             |               |             |          |            |          |           | Incentive | Plan      |
|                     |             |               |             |          |            |          | Market    | Plan      | Awards:   |
|                     |             |               |             |          |            |          | Value     | Awards:   | Market    |
|                     |             |               | Equity      |          |            | Number   | of        | Number    | or Payout |
|                     |             |               | Incentive   |          |            | of       | Shares    | of        | Value of  |
|                     |             |               | Plan        |          |            | Shares   | or Units  | Unearned  | Unearned  |
|                     |             |               | Awards:     |          |            | or Units | of        | Shares,   | Shares,   |
|                     | Number of   | Number of     | Number of   |          |            | of       | Stock     | Units or  | Units or  |
|                     | Securities  | Securities    | Securities  |          |            | Stock    | That      | Other     | Other     |
|                     | Underlying  | Underlying    | Underlying  |          |            | That     | Have      | Rights    | Rights    |
|                     | Unexercised | Unexercised   | Unexercised | Option   | Option     | Have     | Not       | That      | That      |
|                     | Options     | Options       | Unearned    |          | Expiration | Not      | Vested    | Have Not  | Have Not  |
| Name                | Exercisable | Unexercisable | Options     | Price    | Date       | Vested   | (1)       | Vested    | Vested    |
| Raymond C. Kubacki  | 22,000      | -             |             | \$ 10.20 | 9/15/2025  |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 42,000      | -             |             | \$ 13.82 | 5/12/2026  |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 30,000      | 10,000        |             | \$ 18.87 | 5/4/2027   |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 14,000      | 14,000        |             | \$ 21.04 | 5/3/2028   |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 15,000      | 45,000        |             | \$ 10.60 | 5/3/2029   |          |           |           |           |
|                     |             | 15,000        |             |          | 11/11/2030 | 35,000   | \$178,150 |           |           |
| Charles Doucot      | 9,000       | 9,000         |             | \$ 21.04 | 5/3/2028   |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 7,500       | 22,500        |             | \$ 10.60 | 5/3/2029   |          |           |           |           |
|                     |             | 7,000         |             |          | 11/11/2030 | 18,000   | \$ 91,620 |           |           |
| Michael I. Schaffer | 7,500       | -             |             | \$ 13.82 | 5/12/2026  |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 6,000       | 2,000         |             | \$ 18.87 | 5/4/2027   |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 2,500       | 2,500         |             | \$ 21.04 | 5/3/2028   |          |           |           |           |
|                     | 2,500       | 7,500         |             | \$ 10.60 | 5/3/2029   | 7.000    | n 25 (20  |           |           |
|                     |             | 2,000         |             | \$ 4.07  | 11/11/2030 | 7,000    | \$ 35,630 |           |           |

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on closing price of \$5.09 per share on December 31, 2020 on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

#### Potential Payments upon Termination and Change in Control

The Company has entered into change-in-control severance agreements with each of Messrs. Kubacki, Doucot and Schaffer providing for severance benefits for a period of up to 12 months in the event of termination within 12 months following a change in control (as defined in the agreements). The agreements provide for severance benefits only if (1) the Company undergoes a change in control (as defined in the agreement) and (2) within 12 months thereafter either (a) the Company (or its successor) terminates the employee (other than termination for "cause"), or (b) the employee terminates his employment for "good reason" (as defined in his agreement). The agreements do not provide for severance benefits in the event of an employee's death or disability, or in the event of his voluntary termination without good reason. The agreements provide that the employee shall not compete with the Company during the period in which he is entitled to receive severance payments. Except for such change-in-control severance agreements, and except for the separate employment severance agreement with Mr. Doucot described below, none of the named executive officers has an employment agreement with the Company.

Each of the stock unit award and option agreements with Messrs. Kubacki, Doucot and Schaffer described in the Summary Compensation Table above provides that the vesting would accelerate upon a change in control. In the event the Company had incurred a change in control on December 31, 2020 and terminated the employment of Messrs. Kubacki, Doucot and Schaffer on such date, the amounts paid out to such named executive officers would have been as follows:

# Payments and Benefits Upon Termination and Change in Control

| (a)                               | (b)           | (c)          | (d)          |    | (e)                   | (f)           |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|
|                                   |               |              |              | Α  | Acceleration          |               |
|                                   |               | Accrued      | Health       |    | of Equity             |               |
| Name                              | Salary (1)    | Vacation (2) | Benefits (3) |    | Awards <sup>(4)</sup> | Total         |
| Raymond C. Kubacki (5)            |               |              |              |    |                       |               |
| 12 Month                          | \$<br>525,000 | \$<br>18,173 | \$<br>28,221 | \$ | 178,150               | \$<br>749,544 |
| 6 Month (change of location only) | \$<br>262,500 | \$<br>18,173 | \$<br>14,110 | \$ | 178,150               | \$<br>472,933 |
| Charles Doucot (6)                |               |              |              |    |                       |               |
| 12 Month                          | \$<br>340,000 | \$<br>9,615  | \$<br>24,672 | \$ | 91,620                | \$<br>465,907 |
| Michael I. Schaffer (6)           |               |              |              |    |                       |               |
| 12 Month                          | \$<br>287,700 | \$<br>9,959  | \$<br>28,221 | \$ | 35,630                | \$<br>361,510 |

- (1) The amounts in column (b) reflect the total amount of Base Salary (at the rate that was in effect for the 12-month period preceding August 1, 2020), commission (if applicable) and Bonus compensation that would continue to be paid to the Executive during the indicated period following a termination in connection with a change-in-control on December 31, 2020. Such amounts are calculated based on the actual base salary, commission and bonus compensation earned or accrued during the prior 12-month period coinciding with or preceding such termination.
- (2) Accrued vacation is payable upon separation of service whether or not in connection with a change in control.
- (3) The amounts in column (d) represent the amount payable by the Corporation during the applicable period for continuation of health benefits.
- The amounts in column (e) reflect: (i) the acceleration of the vesting under stock unit awards granted under the Company's 2006 Incentive Plan triggered by a change in control, as provided in each executive officer's respective stock unit award agreement with the Company, the valuation of which is determined by multiplying the number of stock unit awards that would have become vested on December 31, 2020 pursuant to such acceleration provision, times the closing price of the Company stock on such date (\$9.15 per share); plus (ii) the acceleration of the vesting under in-the-money unvested stock options granted under the Company's 2006 Incentive Plan triggered by a change in control, as provided in each executive officer's respective stock option agreement with the Company, the valuation of which is determined by assuming a net exercise of all unvested stock options having an exercise price that is less than the closing price of the Company stock on such date (\$9.15 per share).
- Mr. Kubacki's arrangement provides for 12 months of salary (at the rate that was in effect for the 12-month period preceding August 1, 2020, or any higher rate thereafter in effect) and bonus continuation, in the event of a termination by the Company without cause (as defined in his agreement) or a termination by him for good reason (as defined in his agreement) in either case, within a 12 month period following a change in control of the Company (as such term is defined in the agreement), provided, however, that in the event of termination by Mr. Kubacki for good reason solely on account of a change in his required place of employment, following a change in control, then in lieu of 12 months of salary and bonus compensation, his benefits would be limited to 6 months of salary and bonus compensation.
- Mr. Doucot and Dr. Schaffer's arrangements provide for 12 months of salary (at the rate that was in effect for the 12-month period preceding August 1, 2020, or any higher rate thereafter in effect) and bonus continuation, in the event of a termination by the Company without cause (as defined in their respective agreements) or a termination by them for good reason (as defined in their respective agreements) in either case, within a 12 month period following a change in control of the Company (as such term is defined in the agreements).

#### **Employment Severance Agreement**

In addition to a change-in-control severance agreement, the Company also entered into an employment severance agreement with Mr. Doucot providing for severance benefits for a period of up to 6 months. The agreement provides for severance benefits if (a) the Company (or its successor) terminates Mr. Doucot (other than termination for "cause"), or (b) Mr. Doucot terminates his employment for "good reason" (as defined in his agreement). The agreement does not provide for severance benefits in the event of his death or disability, or in the event of his voluntary termination without good reason. Any payments under the severance agreement are reduced by the amount of any payments received by him under his change-incontrol severance agreement.

# **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table provides information as of December 31, 2020, with respect to shares of the Company's common stock that were issuable under the Company's 2006 Incentive Plan (the "2006 Incentive Plan").

| Plan Category  | Number of Securities<br>to Be Issued Upon<br>Exercise of<br>Outstanding Options,<br>Warrants and Rights | Exer<br>Outsta | hted Average rcise Price of nding Options, nts and Rights | Number of Securities that Remained Available for Future Issuance |  |
|--|---|----------------|---|--|--|
| Equity compensation plans approved by security holders  Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders | 769,275 (1)   | \$             | 14.34 (2)   | 45,470   |  |
| Total  | 769,275   | \$             | 14.34   | 45,470   |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> This amount includes 603,750 shares subject to outstanding stock options with a weighted average remaining contractual term of 7.0 years and 165,525 shares subject to outstanding stock unit awards.

# PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS AND STOCKHOLDINGS OF MANAGEMENT

The following table shows, as of March 15, 2021, the number of shares beneficially owned (i) by those stockholders who are known to the Company to own beneficially more than five percent of the outstanding Common Stock of the Company, (including their addresses) (ii) by each director and nominee for director of the Company, (iii) by each named executive officer, and (iv) by all directors and executive officers as a group.

| Name   | Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership (1) | Percentage<br>Owned <sup>(2)</sup> |
|--|---|------------------------------------|
| Renaissance Technologies LLC                     | 454,640 <sup>(3)</sup>                        | 8.2%                               |
| 800 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10022             |   |                                    |
| Peter H. Kamin                                   | 327,934 (4)                                   | 5.9%                               |
| 2720 Donald Ross Road, #311                      |   |                                    |
| Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410                     |   |                                    |
| Crawford Investment                              | 299,561 (5)                                   | 5.4%                               |
| 600 Galleria Pkwy, Suite 1650 Atlanta, GA 30339  | 233,801                                       | 21.75                              |
|  |   |                                    |
| Raymond C. Kubacki                               | 334,374 <sup>(6)</sup>                        | 5.9%                               |
| Fred J. Weinert                                  | 221,064 (6)(7)(8)                             | 3.9%                               |
| Walter S. Tomenson, Jr.                          | 93,899 (6)                                    | 1.7%                               |
| Harry Connick                                    | 59,112 <sup>(7)</sup>                         | 1.1%                               |
| Robyn C Davis                                    | <b>-</b> (6)                                  | *                                  |
| Michael I. Schaffer                              | 46,245 (6)                                    | *                                  |
| Charles Doucot                                   | 29,000 (6)                                    | *                                  |
| All Executive Officers and Directors (8 persons) | 783,694 <sup>(9)</sup>                        | 13.3%                              |

<sup>\*</sup> denotes ownership of less than 1%

<sup>(2)</sup> The weighted-average exercise price information does not include any outstanding stock unit awards.

- (1) Shares are considered beneficially owned, for the purpose of this table only, if held by the person indicated as beneficial owner, or if such person, directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship or otherwise has or shares the power to vote, to direct the voting of and/or to dispose of or to direct the disposition of such security, or if the person has the right to acquire beneficial ownership within sixty (60) days, unless otherwise indicated in these footnotes.
- (2) Pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, shares of Common Stock which an individual or group has a right to acquire within 60 days pursuant to the exercise of options or pursuant to the vesting of stock unit awards are deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of such individual or group, but with respect to options and stock unit awards, are not deemed outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person shown in this table.
- (3) Based on the statement on Schedule 13G/A filed on February 11, 2021, each of Renaissance Technologies, LLC, a registered investment adviser, and Renaissance Technologies Holding Company has sole voting power over 405,646 shares of common stock, and sole dispositive power over 454,640 shares of Common Stock.
- (4) Based on the statement on Schedule 13D filed on December 30, 2020, Peter H. Kamin has sole voting and dispositive power over 327,934 shares of Common Stock.
- (5) Based on the statement on Schedule 13F-HR filed on February 1, 2021, Crawford Investment Counsel has sole voting and dispositive power over 299,561 shares of Common Stock.
- (6) Includes the following number of shares of Common Stock which the individual had a right to acquire within 60 days pursuant to the exercise of options: Mr. Kubacki –155,000; Mr. Weinert 80,500; Mr. Tomenson 62,500; Dr. Schaffer 24,200; and Mr. Doucot 28,500.
- (7) Includes the following number of shares of Common Stock which the individual had the right to receive within 60 days pursuant to the vesting of stock unit awards: Mr. Weinert 1,000; and Mr. Connick 3,275.
- (8) Includes 111,381 shares held by Mr. Weinert as trustee of a trust and 1,600 shares held by Mr. Weinert's spouse.
- (9) Includes 350,750 shares which the executive officers and directors had the right to acquire within 60 days pursuant to the exercise of options, and 4,275 shares which were issuable to the executive officers and directors within 60 days pursuant to the vesting of stock unit awards.

#### PROPOSAL 2

#### ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The Company is seeking the approval of its shareholders of an advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers, as disclosed in this proxy statement under the section titled "Executive Compensation." While this shareholder vote on executive compensation is only an advisory vote that is not binding on the Company or the Board of Directors, the Company values the opinions of its shareholders and will consider the outcome of the vote when making future compensation decisions. Last year 68% of the shares present at the meeting voted in favor of the resolution. Based on that vote and our engagement we have not taken any actions in response to that say-on-pay vote.

As described more fully in the Executive Compensation section, the primary objective of our executive compensation program is to attract, retain and reward executive officers who contribute to our long-term success. We believe this requires a competitive compensation structure as compared to companies of a similar size in the same or similar industries in the region. Additionally, we seek to align a significant portion of executive officer compensation to the achievement of specified Company performance goals. Incentive cash bonuses are included to drive executive performance by having pay at risk so that a significant portion of potential annual cash compensation is tied to earnings targets. We also include restricted stock awards and stock options with time-based vesting provisions that are designed to align executive incentives with long-term shareholder interests.

We urge shareholders to read the Executive Compensation section above, which describes in more detail how our executive compensation policies and procedures operate and are designed to achieve our compensation objectives, as well as the Summary Compensation Table and the related compensation tables and narrative above which provide detailed information on the compensation of our named executive officers.

The 2020 fiscal year demonstrated our commitment to these principles and illustrated how our program responds to business challenges and the marketplace.

- Performance-based compensation in the form of annual and long term incentives constituted 33% of 2020 total compensation target for our CEO and other named executive officers.
- Due to declines in the Company's revenues and earnings in 2020, no cash bonuses were paid to any of the Company's named executive offices for 2020 for objectives related to the Company's financial performance or individual performance objectives.
- Equity compensation awards, which comprised 100% of NEO long term compensation, continued to play an important role in rewarding NEOs for the achievement of long-term business objectives and providing incentives for the creation of stockholder value.
- In September, 2020, the named executive officers took what amounted to a 15% pay cut in base salary. In February, 2021, the named executive officers took what amounted to an additional 8% cut in base salary.

The Company's commitment to these principles has long preceded the 2020 fiscal year.

- Average annual increases in base salaries for the named executive officers over the past five years averaged 2.2% per year.
- In 2009, the peak of the recession, the Company opted not to award any stock unit awards or any other form of equity compensation to any officer or director.

The Company offers minimal "perquisites" benefits, no guaranteed bonuses, no tax gross ups, four-year vesting for all executive equity awards and an independent compensation committee.

In light of the above, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors believe that the policies and procedures articulated in the Executive Compensation section above are effective in achieving our goals and that the compensation of our named executive officers reported in this proxy statement has supported and contributed to the Company's success.

For the reasons discussed above, we are asking our stockholders to indicate their support for our NEO compensation as described in this proxy statement by voting "FOR" the following resolution. This vote is not intended to address any specific item of compensation, but rather the overall compensation of our NEOs and the philosophy, policies and practices described in this proxy statement.

"RESOLVED, that the stockholders approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the named executive officers, as disclosed in Psychemedics Corporation's Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission."

Psychemedics' Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the non-binding, advisory proposal to approve the executive compensation of our named executive officers, as disclosed in this proxy statement.

# PROPOSAL 3 RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Company's Audit Committee has appointed BDO USA, LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021 and recommends ratification of such appointment by the stockholders. During the 2020 fiscal year, BDO USA, LLP served as Psychemedics' independent registered public accounting firm and also provided certain tax and non-audit services as described below. Although the Company is not required to seek stockholder approval of this appointment, the board believes it to be sound corporate governance to do so. If the appointment is not ratified, the Audit Committee will investigate the reasons for stockholder rejection and will reconsider the appointment.

Representatives of BDO USA, LLP will be available at the virtual Annual Meeting to respond to questions.

# Fees Paid to the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The following table presents fees paid or payable to BDO USA, LLP for services attributable to fiscal years 2020 and 2019:

|                        | <br>Fiscal Year |    |         |  |
|------------------------|-----------------|----|---------|--|
|                        | 2020            |    | 2019    |  |
| Audit Fees (1)         | \$<br>394,620   | \$ | 365,546 |  |
| Audit-Related Fees (2) | 15,650          |    | 15,725  |  |
| Tax Fees (3)           | 55,440          |    | 40,815  |  |
| Total                  | \$<br>465,710   | \$ | 422,086 |  |

- (1) Audit Fees Fees for professional services rendered to the Company (or estimates of fees for services to be rendered) in connection with auditing the Company's annual financial statements and reviewing the interim financial information included in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-O and consents and assistance with the review of documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (2) Audit-Related Fees Fees billed to the Company or to the Company's employee retirement plan for services related to the audit of the Company's financial statements that are not reported under Audit Fees, which include audit work performed on certain of the Company's benefit plans.
- (3) Tax Fees Fees billed to the Company related to tax compliance and consultation.

# Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policy of Audit and Permissible Non-Audit Services of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Audit Committee's policy is to pre-approve all audit and permissible non-audit services provided by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm. These services may include audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services. Any pre-approval is detailed as to the particular service or category of services and is generally subject to a specific budget. The Audit Committee may delegate pre-approval authority to one or more of its members when expedition of services is necessary. The independent registered public accounting firm and management are required to periodically report to the full Audit Committee regarding the extent of services provided, in accordance with this pre-approval policy, and the fees for the services performed to date.

# Psychemedics' Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the ratification of the Audit Committee's appointment of BDO USA, LLP as the Company's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

#### PROPOSAL 4

# APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF THE COMPANY'S 2006 INCENTIVE PLAN, INCLUDING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED SHARES UNDER THE PLAN

Overview

On March 23, 2021, the Board of Directors of the Company unanimously approved an amendment and restatement of the Psychemedics Corporation 2006 Incentive Plan (as amended, the "Incentive Plan"), subject to approval by our shareholders. The Incentive Plan, prior to such amendment, authorized the issuance of up to 1,200,000 shares of the Company's common stock for compensation to the directors and officers of the Company. As of March 23, 2021, there were 43,470 shares available for the future grant of awards under the Plan. In the last five years, the net number of shares utilized under the plan was approximately 842 thousand shares or 168 thousand shares per year. This utilization rate is higher than the rate experienced over prior 5-year periods, primarily due to a shift in the last couple of years from the issuance of only stock unit awards, toward the granting of stock options as the primary form of equity compensation. Options are generally granted with respect to a higher number of shares than stock unit awards for the same amount of compensation expense. The March 23, 2021 amendment and restatement of the Incentive Plan authorized an additional 350,000 shares. In addition, the Board of Directors extended until May 13, 2031 the last date on which an option granted under the Incentive Plan can be characterized as an incentive stock option. The Board approved the amendment and restatement of the 2006 Incentive Plan to provide increase flexibility to structure and grant equity and non-equity based awards that will be responsive to Psychemedics Corporation's needs, particularly in light of the Company's expanded workforce.

Description of the 2006 Incentive Plan

The individuals that are eligible to receive awards under the 2006 Incentive Plan are officers and other employees of the Company and its subsidiaries, non-employee directors of the Company and consultants of the Company.

As of April 6, 2021 four officers and approximately 135 other employees of the Company and its subsidiaries, and four non-employee directors of the Company, will be eligible to receive awards under the 2006 Incentive Plan. We do not currently expect to issue awards to consultants of the Company.

The basis for participation in the 2006 Incentive Plan is the Committee's decision, in its sole discretion, that an award to an eligible participant will further the 2006 Incentive Plan's purpose. In exercising its discretion, the Committee will consider the recommendations of management and the purpose of the 2006 Incentive Plan, which is to provide equity-based and other incentives to officers and other employees and non-employee directors to promote close alignment among their interests and those of the Company's stockholders. We believe the awards will encourage recipients to continue their involvement with the Company and/or its subsidiaries and contribute to the Company's long-term success and growth, which will benefit our stockholders.

The Incentive Plan is intended to benefit the Company by offering equity-based and other incentives to certain of the Company's executives, directors and employees, thereby encouraging the continuance of their involvement with the Company's businesses. The following is a summary description of the Incentive Plan and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Incentive Plan, which is set forth as *Appendix A* to this Proxy Statement.

The Incentive Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee, or another committee consisting of not less than two directors as appointed from time to time by the Board of Directors. Only independent directors may serve on the committee administering the Incentive Plan (hereinafter, the "Committee"). Subject to the express provisions of the Incentive Plan, the Committee has the authority to interpret and construe the Incentive Plan and to adopt rules and regulations for administering the Incentive Plan. Such powers of the Committee include, except as otherwise provided in the Incentive Plan, exclusive authority to select the employees or determine classes of employees to be granted awards under the Incentive Plan, to determine the aggregate amount, type, size, and terms of the awards to be made to eligible employees, and to determine the time when awards will be granted. The Committee shall take into account compliance with Section 409A of the Code in connection with any grant of an award under the Incentive Plan, to the extent applicable.

Executives and other employees of the Company (including directors and officers) who (i) are employed full time or part time by the Company or its subsidiaries on a salaried basis and (ii) are selected on the basis of such criteria as the Committee may determine, are eligible to participate in the Incentive Plan. Employees who participate in other incentive or benefit plans of the Company or any of its subsidiaries may also participate in the Incentive Plan.

Awards may be granted in the form of any or a combination of the following:

- Stock Options—options entitling the recipient to acquire shares of Common Stock upon payment of the exercise price, which shall consist of options intended to qualify as incentive stock options under Section 422 of the Code and nonqualified stock options;
- Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs")—rights entitling the holder upon exercise to receive cash or Common Stock, as the Committee determines, equal to a function (determined by the Committee using such factors as it deems appropriate) of the amount by which the Common Stock has appreciated in value since the date of the award;
- Restricted Stock—an award of Common Stock subject to forfeiture if specified events are not satisfied;
- Unrestricted Stock—an award of Common Stock not subject to any restrictions under the Incentive Plan;
- Stock Unit Awards—awards payable in Common Stock that may, but are not required to, include awards subject to performance criteria;
- Stock-Based Awards—awards that are denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on or related to shares of Common Stock as deemed by the Committee to be consistent with the purposes of the Incentive Plan;
- Cash Performance Awards—an award subject to performance criteria payable in cash;
- Performance Awards—awards subject to performance criteria; or
- Grants of cash, or loans, made in connection with other awards in order to help defray in whole or in part the economic cost (including tax cost) of the award to the participant.

Under the Incentive Plan, "performance criteria" means specified criteria the satisfaction of which is a condition for the exercisability, vesting or full enjoyment of an award.

Unless the Committee expressly provides otherwise, (i) an award requiring exercise by the holder will not be deemed to have been exercised until the Committee receives a written notice of exercise (in form acceptable to the Committee) signed by the appropriate person and accompanied by any payment required under the award, and (ii) if the award is exercised by any person other than the participant, the Committee may require satisfactory evidence that the person exercising the award has the right to do so. The Committee shall determine the exercise price of each Stock Option or SAR; provided, that each Stock Option or SAR must have an exercise price that is not less than the fair market value of the Stock subject to the Stock Option, determined as of the date of grant. Where the exercise of an award is to be accompanied by payment, the Committee may determine the required or permitted forms of payment.

The restrictions on Restricted Stock awards may include, without limitation, restrictions on the right of the grantee to sell, assign, transfer or encumber shares while such shares are subject to other restrictions imposed under the Incentive Plan, the duration of such restrictions; the events (which may, in the discretion of the Committee, include performance-based events or objectives) the occurrence of which would cause a forfeiture of the Restricted Stock in whole or in part; and such other terms and conditions as the Committee in its discretion deems appropriate. If so determined by the Committee at the time of an award of Restricted Stock, the lapse of restrictions on Restricted Stock may be based on the extent of achievement over a specified performance period of one or more performance targets based on performance criteria established by the Committee. Restricted Stock awards shall be effective upon execution of the applicable Restricted Stock agreement by the Company and the participant. Following a Restricted Stock award and prior to the lapse or termination of the applicable restrictions, the share certificates for such Restricted Stock shall be held in escrow by the Company. Upon the lapse or termination of the applicable restrictions (and not before such time), the certificates for the Restricted Stock shall be issued or delivered to the participant. From the date a Restricted Stock award is effective, the participant shall be a shareholder with respect to all the shares represented by such certificates and shall have all the rights of a shareholder with respect to such shares, including the right to vote such shares and to receive all dividends and other distributions paid with respect to such shares, subject only to the restrictions imposed by the Committee.

Stock Unit Awards shall be evidenced by a written agreement in the form prescribed by the Committee in its discretion, which shall set forth the number of shares of Common Stock to be awarded pursuant to the award, the restrictions imposed thereon (which may include, without limitation: restrictions on the right of the grantee to sell, assign, transfer or encumber the award prior to vesting, and, in the discretion of the Committee, certain continued service requirements and terms under which the vesting of such awards might be accelerated) and such other terms and conditions as the Committee in its discretion deems appropriate. If so determined by the Committee at the time of the grant of a Stock Unit Award, vesting of the award may be contingent on achievement over a specified performance period of one or more performance targets based on performance criteria established by the Committee. Stock Unit Awards shall be effective upon execution of the applicable Stock Unit Award Agreement by the Company and the participant. Upon a determination of satisfaction of the applicable performance-related conditions and satisfaction of the applicable continued service requirements (and not before such time), shares of Stock shall be issued to the participant pursuant to the award. The participant shall not have any rights of a shareholder of the Company with respect to such shares prior to such issuance.

The Committee shall have the authority in its discretion to grant to eligible participants Unrestricted Stock and other Stock-Based Awards and shall determine the terms and conditions, if any, of any other Stock-Based Awards made under the Incentive Plan. The Committee shall also have the authority in its discretion to grant to eligible participants awards not based on the Common Stock, including, without limitation, Cash Performance Awards, and other Performance Awards as deemed by the Committee to be consistent with the purposes of the Incentive Plan.

As adjusted to account for the additional number of shares reserved under the Incentive Plan, a maximum of 1,550,000 shares of Common Stock, subject to adjustments for stock splits, stock dividends, mergers, consolidations, and similar transactions as provided in the Incentive Plan, may be delivered in satisfaction of Stock-Based Awards under the Incentive Plan. As so adjusted, 393,470 shares of Common Stock will be available for issuance under the Incentive Plan.

The Committee may adopt reasonable procedures to ensure appropriate counting, avoid double counting and make adjustments if the number of shares of Stock actually delivered differs from the number of shares previously counted in connection with an award. To the extent that an award expires or is canceled, forfeited, settled in cash or otherwise terminated or concluded without a delivery to the participant of the full number of shares to which the award related, the undelivered shares will again be available for grant. Shares withheld in payment of the exercise price or taxes relating to an award and shares equal to the number surrendered in payment of any exercise price or taxes relating to an award shall be deemed to constitute shares not delivered to the participant and shall be deemed to again be available for awards under the Incentive Plan; provided, however, that, where shares are withheld or surrendered more than ten years after the date of the most recent stockholder approval of the Incentive Plan or any other transaction occurs that would result in shares becoming so available, such shares shall not become available if and to the extent that it would constitute a material revision of the Incentive Plan subject to stockholder approval under then applicable rules of the national securities exchange on which the Stock is listed or the Nasdaq Stock Market, as applicable. Common Stock delivered by the Company under the Incentive Plan may be authorized but unissued Common Stock or previously issued Common Stock acquired by the Company and held in treasury. No fractional shares of Common Stock will be delivered under the Incentive Plan.

In the event of any change in the Company's outstanding Common Stock by reason of any stock dividend or split, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, combination or exchange of shares, or other similar corporate change, an equitable adjustment shall be made, as determined by the Committee, so as to preserve, without increasing or decreasing, the value of awards and authorizations, in (i) the maximum number or kind of shares issuable or awards which may be granted under the Incentive Plan, (ii) the maximum number, kind or value of any Incentive Plan awards which may be awarded or paid in general or to any one employee or to all employees in a fiscal year, (iii) the performance-based events or objectives applicable to any Incentive Plan awards, (iv) any other aspect or aspects of the Incentive Plan or outstanding awards made thereunder as specified by the Committee, or (v) any combination of the foregoing. Such adjustments shall be made by the Committee and shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes of the Incentive Plan.

Except as may otherwise be provided in an award agreement or a written employment agreement between the participant and the Company which has been approved by the Committee, upon certain fundamental corporate events described in the Incentive Plan, in lieu of providing the adjustment set forth above, the Committee may, in its discretion, cancel any or all vested and/or unvested awards as of the consummation of such corporate event, and provide that holders of awards so canceled will receive a payment in respect of cancellation of their awards based on the amount of the per share consideration being paid for the Common Stock in connection with such corporate event, less, in the case of Stock Options and other awards subject to exercise, the applicable exercise price, subject to and as set forth in the Incentive Plan.

The maximum number of shares of Common Stock subject to awards that may be granted to any person in any calendar year shall be 100,000. Subject to these limitations, each person eligible to participate in the Incentive Plan shall be eligible in any year to receive awards covering up to the full number of shares of Common Stock then available for awards under the Incentive Plan.

No more than \$500,000 may be paid to any individual with respect to any Cash Performance Award or other Performance Award (other than an award expressed in terms of shares of Common Stock or units representing Common Stock, which shall instead be subject to the limit set forth in the paragraph above). In applying the dollar limitation of the preceding sentence: (i) multiple Cash or other Performance Awards to the same individual that are determined by reference to performance periods of one year or less ending with or within the same fiscal year of the Company shall be subject in the aggregate to one \$500,000 limit; and (ii) multiple Cash or other Performance Awards to the same individual that are determined by reference to one or more multi-year performance periods ending in the same fiscal year of the Company shall be subject in the aggregate to separate \$500,000 limits.

The holder of an Incentive Plan award shall have no rights as a Company shareholder with respect thereto unless and until the date as of which shares of Common Stock shall have been issued in respect of such award.

Except as the Committee shall otherwise determine, no Incentive Plan award or any rights or interests therein of the recipient thereof shall be assignable or transferable by such recipient except upon death to his or her designated beneficiary or by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and, except as aforesaid, during the lifetime of the recipient, a Incentive Plan award shall be exercisable only by, or payable only to, as the case may be, such recipient or his or her guardian or legal representative.

The Board may at any time terminate or from time to time amend or suspend the Incentive Plan in whole or in part in such respects as the Board may deem advisable in order that awards granted thereunder shall conform to any change in the law, or in any other respect which the Board may deem to be in the best interests of the Company; provided, however, that no amendment of the Incentive Plan shall be made without shareholder approval if shareholder approval of the amendment is at the time required by applicable law, or by the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market or any stock exchange on which Common Stock may be listed.

The Board shall have the power to amend the Incentive Plan in any manner deemed necessary or advisable for awards granted under the Incentive Plan to qualify for exemption from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or to comply with applicable law, and any such amendment shall, to the extent deemed necessary or advisable by the Board, be applicable to any outstanding awards theretofore granted under the Incentive Plan notwithstanding any contrary provisions contained in any award agreement. With the consent of the participant affected, the Board may amend outstanding agreements evidencing Incentive Plan awards in a manner not inconsistent with the terms of the Incentive Plan. Unless required by law, no such action or amendment shall adversely affect any rights of participants or obligations of the Company to participants with respect to any award theretofore made under the Incentive Plan without the consent of the affected participant. The Incentive Plan shall remain in effect, subject to the right of the Board of Directors to further amend or terminate the Incentive Plan at any time, until all shares subject to it shall have been purchased or acquired according to the Incentive Plan's provisions.

# Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following discussion of the Federal income tax consequences of the issuance of awards granted under the Incentive Plan is based upon the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, as in effect on the date hereof, current regulations adopted and proposed thereunder, and existing administrative rulings and pronouncements of the Internal Revenue Service. It is not intended to be a complete discussion of all of the Federal income tax consequences of the Incentive Plan or of all of the requirements that must be met in order to qualify for the described tax treatment. The Incentive Plan provides the Company with broad discretion to grant many different types of awards. The discussion below illustrates the Federal income tax consequences of only some of the types of awards the Company is permitted to make under the Incentive Plan. Depending on the type of award granted under the Incentive Plan, the Federal income tax consequences to the Company and recipients of awards could materially differ from the discussion below. In addition, because the tax consequences may vary, and certain exceptions to the general rules discussed herein may be applicable, depending upon the personal circumstances and the type of award granted, each recipient should consider his or her personal situation and consult with his or her tax advisor with respect to the specific tax consequences applicable to each recipient. No information is provided in the discussion below about state tax laws.

Nonqualified Stock Options. An option holder will not recognize any taxable income upon the grant of a nonqualified option under the Incentive Plan. Generally, an option holder recognizes ordinary taxable income at the time a nonqualified option is exercised in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares of Common Stock on the date of exercise over the exercise price.

The Company will generally be entitled to a compensation deduction for Federal income tax purposes in an amount equal to the taxable income recognized by the option holder, provided the Company reports the income on a form W-2 or 1099, whichever is applicable, that is timely provided to the option holder and filed with the IRS.

When an option holder subsequently disposes of the shares of Common Stock received upon exercise of a nonqualified option, he or she will recognize long-term or short-term capital gain or loss (depending upon the holding period), in an amount equal to the difference between the sale price and the fair market value on the date on which the option holder recognized ordinary taxable income as a result of the exercise of the nonqualified option. The holding period for the shares generally would begin on the date the shares were acquired and would not include the period of time during which the option was held.

An option holder who pays the exercise price for a nonqualified option, in whole or in part, by delivering shares of Common Stock already owned by him or her will recognize no gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes on the shares surrendered, but otherwise will be taxed according to the rules described above.

*Incentive Stock Options.* An option holder generally will not recognize taxable income upon either the grant or the exercise of an incentive stock option. However, under certain circumstances, there may be alternative minimum tax or other tax consequences, as discussed below.

An option holder will recognize taxable income upon the disposition of the shares received upon exercise of an incentive stock option. Any gain recognized upon a disposition that is not a "disqualifying disposition" will be taxable as long-term capital gain. A "disqualifying disposition" means any disposition of shares acquired on the exercise of an incentive stock option within two years of the date the option was granted or within one year of the date the shares were issued to the option holder. The use of shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of an incentive stock option to pay the option price under another stock option is treated as a disposition for this purpose. In general, if an option holder makes a disqualifying disposition, an amount equal to the excess of (a) the lesser of (i) the fair market value of the shares on the date of exercise or (ii) the amount actually realized on the disposition over (b) the option exercise price, will be taxable as ordinary income and the balance of the gain recognized, if any, will be taxable as either long-term or short-term capital gain, depending on the optionee's holding period for the shares. The holding period for the shares generally would begin on the date the shares were acquired and would not include the period of time during which the option was held. In the case of a gift or certain other transfers, the amount of ordinary income taxable to the optionee is not limited to the amount of gain which would be recognized in the case of a sale. Instead, it is equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares on the date of exercise over the option exercise price.

The tax result may change if (i) the Company imposes restrictions on the shares which do not permit the recipient to transfer the shares to others and which require the recipient to return the shares to the Company at less than fair market value upon termination of employment, or (ii) the recipient is an officer or director of the Company subject to Section 16(b). In the case of a disqualifying disposition of shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of such an incentive stock option, the date on which the fair market value of the shares is determined may be postponed, and the tax consequences will be similar to the treatment that applies to shares acquired pursuant to nonqualified options granted under the Incentive Plan, including the ability to make a Section 83(b) election, as described below.

In general, in the year an incentive stock option is exercised, the holder must include the excess of the fair market value of the shares issued upon exercise over the exercise price in the calculation of alternative minimum taxable income. The application of the alternative minimum tax rules for an option holder subject to Section 16(b) or who receives shares that are not "substantially vested" are more complex and may depend upon whether the holder makes a Section 83(b) election, as described below.

The Company will not be entitled to any deduction with respect to the grant or exercise of an incentive stock option provided the holder does not make a disqualifying disposition. If the option holder does make a disqualifying disposition, the Company will generally be entitled to a deduction for Federal income tax purposes in an amount equal to the taxable income recognized by the holder, provided the Company reports the income on a Form W-2 or 1099 (whichever is applicable) that is timely provided to the option holder and filed with the IRS.

Stock Appreciation Rights. A recipient of a SAR will not be considered to receive any income at the time a SAR is granted, nor will the Company be entitled to a deduction at that time. Upon the exercise of a SAR, the holder will have ordinary income equal to the cash received upon the exercise. At that time, the Company will be entitled to a tax deduction equal to the amount of ordinary income realized by the holder.

To the extent that a SAR is settled in cash, such SAR should be considered deferred compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code. Section 409A provides rules regarding the timing of deferred compensation payments. Independent of the tax treatment described above, an additional 20% tax would be imposed on the grant of a SAR that fails to comply with the rules of Section 409A.

Restricted Stock and Performance Shares. The recipient of restricted stock or performance shares will generally not recognize income at the time that shares subject to such restrictions are issued, unless a section 83(b) election (described below) is made. Absent a section 83(b) election, recipients of restricted shares will recognize income at the time the restrictions are removed from the shares. In such event, recipients will recognize ordinary compensation income on the date the restrictions are removed in an amount equal to the excess of the then fair market value of such shares over the purchase price (if any) paid for such shares. The tax basis in the shares with respect to which restrictions are removed will be equal to the sum of the amount paid for such shares plus the amount of ordinary compensation income recognized by the recipient. The holding period for such shares for purposes of determining whether any capital gain or loss is short term or long term will begin just after the restrictions are removed (absent a Section 83(b) election).

Recipients will generally recognize capital gain or loss on a sale or exchange of the shares. The gain or loss will equal the difference between the proceeds received and the adjusted tax basis in the shares. The gain or loss recognized on a sale or exchange of the shares will be long-term capital gain or loss if the shares are held for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitation.

If a recipient makes a section 83(b) election with respect to the shares, the recipient will recognize ordinary compensation income at the time the shares are issued and not when the restrictions are removed from such shares. In such event, the tax basis in the shares would equal their fair market value on the date issued, and the holding period for the shares would begin just after such date. However, if a section 83(b) election is made and any shares are forfeited, a recipient will not be entitled to recover any of the taxes paid in connection with the 83(b) election described above, nor will the recipient receive any capital loss. The advisability of making a section 83(b) election will depend on various factors and each recipient's individual circumstances. Recipients are urged to consult with his or her own tax advisors regarding whether, where and how to make a section 83(b) election. Recipients who decide to do so must make a section 83(b) election no later than the thirtieth day following the issuance of the shares and, once made, such election generally would be irrevocable by a recipient.

Any distributions that the Company makes in respect of the shares will be treated as a dividend, taxable to recipients as ordinary income, to the extent it is paid out of the Company's current or accumulated earnings and profits. If the distribution exceeds the Company's current or accumulated earnings and profits, such excess will be treated first as a tax-free return of the recipient's investment, up to the recipient's basis in the shares. Any remaining excess will be treated as capital gain. The Company will generally be entitled to a compensation deduction for Federal income tax purposes in an amount equal to, and at the same time as, the ordinary compensation income recognized by recipients. The Company will report the income on a Form W-2 or 1099, whichever is applicable, and will recognize a deduction in such amount.

Restricted stock and performance shares may be considered deferred compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code. Section 409A provides rules regarding the timing of deferred compensation payments. Independent of the tax treatment described above, an additional 20% tax would be imposed on the grant of restricted stock or performance shares that fail to comply with the rules of Section 409A.

Common Stock. A person who receives an award of Common Stock generally will have taxable income at the time the shares are received (i) in an amount equal to the excess of the then fair market value of such shares over the purchase price (if any) paid for such shares, if the Common Stock is not subject to restrictions, or (ii) as described in the preceding paragraph for restricted stock, if they are subject to restrictions. The tax treatment of a stock award that consists of other rights will depend on the provisions of the award. It may be immediately taxable if there are no restrictions on the receipt of the cash or other property that the stock award represents, or the tax consequences may be deferred if the receipt of cash or other property for the stock award is restricted, or subject to vesting or performance goals. In those situations in which a participant receives property subject to restrictions, the participant may wish to make a Section 83(b) election, as described above. At the time that the holder of the stock award has ordinary income, the Company will be entitled to a tax deduction equal to the amount of ordinary income realized by the holder.

An award of Common Stock may be considered deferred compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code. Section 409A provides rules regarding the timing of deferred compensation payments. Independent of the tax treatment described above, an additional 20% tax would be imposed on an award of Common Stock that fails to comply with the rules of Section 409A.

Company Deduction and Section 162(m). The Company believes it will generally be entitled to a deduction for federal income tax purposes as described above with respect to each type of award. For the individual serving as the chief executive officer of the Company at the end of the taxable year and for the individuals serving as officers of the Company or a subsidiary at the end of such year who are among the two highest compensated officers (other than the chief executive officer) for proxy reporting purposes, Section 162(m) limits the amount of compensation otherwise deductible by the Company and its subsidiaries for such year to \$1,000,000 for each such individual.

#### New Plan Benefits

While no grants of awards under the Incentive Plan have been made in 2021 subject to approval of the amendment and restatement of the Incentive Plan, the Company's executive officers have a general ongoing financial interest in this proposed amendment of the Incentive Plan because, if adopted, approval of the amendment of the Plan would increase the number and types of awards issuable under the Incentive Plan to such executive officers.

The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of shares of Common Stock present in person or by proxy at the Meeting and entitled to vote on the proposal to amend the Incentive Plan is required to amend the Incentive Plan.

THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE BELIEVES THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF THE 2006 INCENTIVE PLAN WILL CONTINUE TO PROMOTE THE LONG-TERM FINANCIAL SUCCESS OF THE COMPANY BY AFFORDING AN ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITY TO ALIGN THE INTERESTS OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AND CONSULTANTS WITH THOSE OF STOCKHOLDERS.

Psychemedics Corporation's Board of Directors recommends that the stockholders vote FOR ratification of the amendment and restatement of the 2006 Incentive Plan.

#### STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS AND NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTOR

Stockholder proposals for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials for the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must comply with Rule 14a-8 of the Securities and Exchange Commission issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and must be received at the principal executive offices of the Company not later than December 1, 2021. These proposals must also meet the other requirements of the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Company's Bylaws.

Our By-laws require that any shareowner proposal, including director nominations, that is not submitted for inclusion in our proxy statement under Rule 14a-8 referred to above, but is instead sought to be presented directly at the 2022 Annual Meeting, must be received at our principal executive offices at 289 Great Road, Suite 200, Acton, Massachusetts 01720 not earlier than January 13, 2022 and not later than February 12, 2022 and must satisfy the procedures set forth in such By-laws. The matters proposed to be brought before the meeting also must be proper matters for stockholder action. If a stockholder who wishes to present such a proposal fails to notify the Company within this time frame, the proxies that management solicits for the meeting will have discretionary authority to vote on the stockholder's proposal if it is properly brought before the meeting. If a stockholder makes a timely notification, the proxies may still exercise discretionary voting authority under circumstances consistent with the proxy rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company's By-laws can be downloaded from our website at www.psychemedics.com under "Investor Relations" and "Governance Documents".

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

The Board of Directors knows of no other matters which may come before the Annual Meeting. However, if any matter not now known is presented at the Annual Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy to vote said proxy, or any proxy that you may download from <a href="https://www.psychemedics.com/proxy">www.psychemedics.com/proxy</a>, in accordance with their judgment on such matter.

The Company will bear the cost of solicitation of proxies. Solicitations of proxies by mail may be followed by telephone or other personal solicitation of certain stockholders by officers or other employees of the Company.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company's 2020 Annual Report is being mailed to shareholders with this Proxy Statement.

A copy of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 may be obtained without charge by writing to the Company at Investor Relations, Psychemedics Corporation, 289 Great Road, Suite 200, Acton, Massachusetts 01720, or by viewing the "Investor Information" section of the Company's website at www.psychemedics.com.

By order of the Board of Directors,

PATRICK J. KINNEY, JR., Secretary

April 6, 2021

#### Appendix A

#### PSYCHEMEDICS CORPORATION

#### 2006 INCENTIVE PLAN

As Amended and Restated on March 23, 2021

# 1. <u>Establishment, Purpose; Duration; Definitions</u>

- A. <u>Establishment of the Plan.</u> This 2006 Incentive Plan (the "Plan") was first adopted by the Board of directors of Psychemedics Corporation, a Delaware corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"), on March 22, 2006 (the "Effective Date"). The Plan has been amended and restated on March 24, 2011, February 23, 2016, January 24, 2019 and March 23, 2021.
- B. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of the Plan is to encourage key employees of the Company and of any Subsidiary of the Company (collectively, "Related Corporations") and other individuals who render services to the Company or a Related Corporation, by offering equity-based and other incentives to certain present and future executives, non-employee directors, and other employees who are in a position to contribute to the long-term success and growth of the Company, thereby encouraging the continuance of their involvement with the Company and/or its subsidiaries.
- C. <u>Duration of the Plan</u>. The Plan commenced on the Effective Date and shall remain in effect, subject to the right of the Board of Directors to further amend or terminate the Plan at any time pursuant to paragraph 8 hereof, until all shares subject to it shall have been purchased or acquired according to the Plan's provisions.
- D. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the terms defined elsewhere herein, the following terms as used in this Plan shall have the following meanings:
  - "Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended from time to time.
  - "Awards" shall mean Stock-Based Awards, Cash Performance Awards, or other Performance Awards.
  - "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.
- "Cash Performance Award" shall mean a Performance Award payable in cash. The right of the Company to extinguish an Award in exchange for cash or the exercise by the Company of such right shall not make an Award otherwise not payable in cash a Cash Performance Award.
  - "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code.

"Committee" shall mean the Compensation Committee of the Board or such other committee of the Board consisting of such members (not less than two) of the Board as are appointed from time to time by the Board, each of the members of which, at the time of any action under the Plan, shall be (i) a "non-employee director" as then defined under Rule 16b-3 under the Act (or meeting comparable requirements of any successor rule relating to exemption from Section 16(b) of the Act), and (ii) an "independent director" as then defined under the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market (or meeting comparable requirements of any stock exchange on which the Company's Common Stock may then be listed). Hereinafter, all references in this Plan to the "Committee" shall mean the Board if no Committee has been appointed.

"Corporate Event" means (i) a merger or consolidation in which the Company is not the surviving corporation (other than a merger or consolidation with a wholly-owned subsidiary, a reincorporation of the Company in a different jurisdiction, or other transaction in which there is no substantial change in the stockholders of the Company and the Awards granted under the Plan are assumed or replaced by the successor corporation, which assumption shall be binding on all Participants), (ii) a dissolution or liquidation of the Company, (iii) the sale of substantially all of the assets of the Company in which the Company is the surviving corporation but after which the stockholders of the Company immediately prior to such merger (other than any stockholder that merges, or which owns or controls another corporation that merges, with the Company in such merger) cease to own their shares or other equity interest in the

Company; or (v) any other transaction which qualifies as a "corporate transaction" under Section 424(a) of the Code wherein the stockholders of the Company give up all of their equity interest in the Company (except for the acquisition, sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the outstanding shares of the Company).

"Designated Beneficiary" shall mean the person or persons, if any, last designated as such by the Participant on a form filed by him or her with the Company in accordance with such procedures as the Committee shall approve.

"Fair Market Value" of a share of Common Stock of the Company on any date shall mean the closing price of the Common Stock on the trading day coinciding with such date, or if not trading on such date, then the closing price as of the next following trading day. If shares of the Common Stock shall not have been traded on any national exchange or interdealer quotation system for more than 10 days immediately preceding such date or if deemed appropriate by the Committee for any other reason, the fair market value of shares of Common Stock shall be determined by the Committee in such other manner as it may deem appropriate.

"Fiscal Year" shall mean the twelve-month period used as the annual accounting period by the Company and shall be designated according to the calendar year in which such period ends.

"Internal Revenue Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and regulations thereunder as amended from time to time. References to particular sections of the Internal Revenue Code shall include any successor provisions.

"ISO" shall mean an incentive stock option under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code.

"Participant" shall mean, as to any Award granted under this Plan and for so long as such Award is outstanding, the employee or other individual to whom such Award has been granted.

"Performance Award" shall mean an Award subject to Performance Criteria.

"Performance Criteria" shall mean specified criteria the satisfaction of which is a condition for the exercisability, vesting or full enjoyment of an Award. A Performance Criterion measure and targets with respect thereto determined by the Committee need not be based upon an increase, a positive or improved result or avoidance of loss.

"Restricted Stock" shall mean an Award of Stock subject to forfeiture to the Company if specified conditions are not satisfied.

"SARs" shall mean rights entitling the holder upon exercise to receive cash or Stock, as the Committee determines, equal to a function (determined by the Committee using such factors as it deems appropriate) of the amount by which the Stock has appreciated in value since the date of the Award.

"Stock" shall mean Common Stock of the Company, par value \$.005 per share.

"Stock-based Awards" shall mean such awards that are denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on or related to, shares of Common Stock as deemed by the Committee to be consistent with the purposes of the Plan, and shall include, without limitation, all Stock Options, SARs, Restricted Stock, Unrestricted Stock, Stock Unit Awards and any Performance Awards consisting of any of the foregoing.

"Stock Options" shall mean options entitling the recipient to acquire shares of Stock upon payment of the exercise price and shall consist of ISO's and non-statutory options.

"Stock Unit Awards" shall mean an award payable in shares of Stock. A Stock Unit Award may, but shall not be required to include a Performance Award.

"Subsidiary" shall mean any domestic or foreign corporation, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust or unincorporated organization "affiliated" with the Company, that is, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, "controlling", "controlled by" or "under common control with", the Company.

"Unrestricted Stock" shall mean an Award of Stock not subject to any restrictions under the Plan.

# 2. Administration of the Plan.

- A. <u>Board or Committee Administration</u>. The Plan shall be administered by the Committee. Subject to ratification of the grant or authorization of each Award by the Board (if so required by applicable state law), and subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee shall have the authority to:
  - 1. construe and interpret the Plan, any written agreement evidencing an Award (an "Award Agreement") and any other agreement or document executed pursuant to the Plan;
  - 2. prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to the Plan or any Award, including determining the forms and agreements used in connection with the Plan; provided that the Committee may delegate to the President the authority to approve revisions to the forms and agreements used in connection with the Plan that are designed to facilitate Plan administration, and that are not inconsistent with the Plan or with any resolutions of the Committee relating to the Plan;
    - 3. select persons to receive Awards;
    - 4. determine the terms of Awards;
    - 5. determine the number of Shares or other consideration subject to Awards;
  - 6. determine whether Awards will be granted singly, in combination, or in tandem with, in replacement of, or as alternatives to, other Awards under the Plan or any other incentive or compensation plan of the Company;
    - 7. grant waivers of Plan or Award conditions;
    - 8. determine the vesting, exercisability, transferability, and payment of Awards;
  - 9. correct any defect, supply any omission, or reconcile any inconsistency in the Plan, any Award or any Award Agreement;
    - 10. determine whether an Award has been earned;
    - 11. amend the Plan; or
    - 12. make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan.

The interpretation and construction by the Committee of any provisions of the Plan or of any Award granted under it shall be final unless otherwise determined by the Board. No member of the Board or the Committee shall be liable for any action or determination made in good faith with respect to the Plan or any Award granted under it.

- B. <u>Committee Actions</u>. The Committee may select one of its members as its chairman and shall hold meetings at such time and places as it may determine. A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum and acts of a majority of the members of the Committee at a meeting at which a quorum is present, or acts reduced to or approved in writing by all the members of the Committee (if consistent with applicable state law), shall be the valid acts of the Committee. From time to time the Board may increase the size of the Committee and appoint additional members thereof, remove members (with or without cause) and appoint new members in substitution therefor, fill vacancies however caused, or remove all members of the Committee and thereafter directly administer the Plan.
- C. Grant of Awards to Board Members. Awards may be granted to members of the Board. All grants of Awards to members of the Board shall in all respects be made in accordance with the provisions of this Plan applicable to other eligible persons. Members of the Board who either (i) are eligible to receive grants of Awards pursuant to the Plan or (ii) have been granted Awards may vote on any matters affecting the administration of the Plan or the grant of any Awards pursuant to the Plan, except that no such member shall act upon the granting to himself or herself of Awards, but any such member may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board during which action is taken with respect to the granting to such member of Awards.
- D. <u>Performance-Based Compensation</u>. The Committee, in its discretion, may take such action as may be necessary to ensure that Awards granted under the Plan on or prior to November 2, 2017 qualify as "qualified performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code and applicable regulations promulgated thereunder.
- E. Section 409A of the Code. The Committee, in its discretion, may take such action as may be necessary to ensure that Awards granted under the Plan are in compliance with, or are exempt from, the provisions of Section 409A of the Code. This Agreement and the Plan shall be administered in a manner consistent with this intent, and any provision that would cause the Plan or any agreement granting an Award under the Plan to fail to satisfy Section 409A of the Code shall have no force or effect until amended to comply with Section 409A of the Code (which amendment may be retroactive to the extent permitted by Section 409A of the Code and may be made by the Committee without the consent of the Grantee).
- 3. Participants. ISOs may be granted only to employees of the Company or any Related Corporation. Awards other than ISO may be granted to any employee, officer or director (whether or not also an employee) or consultant of the Company or any Related Corporation. The Committee may take into consideration a Participant's individual circumstances in determining whether to grant an Award. The granting of any Award to any individual or entity shall neither entitle that individual or entity to, nor disqualify such individual or entity from, participation in any other grant of Awards.

#### 4. Rights Applicable to Awards.

#### A. All Awards.

- 1. <u>Awards</u>. Awards may be granted in the form of any or a combination of the following: Stock Options; SARs; Restricted Stock; Unrestricted Stock; Stock Unit Awards, other Stock Based Awards; Cash Performance Awards; other Performance Awards; or grants of cash, or loans, made in connection with other Awards in order to help defray in whole or in part the economic cost (including tax cost) of the Award to the Participant.
- 2. <u>Terms of Awards</u>. The Committee shall determine the terms of all Awards subject to the limitations provided herein.
- 3. <u>Performance Criteria</u>. Where rights under an Award depend in whole or in part on satisfaction of Performance Criteria, actions by the Company that have an effect, however material, on such Performance Criteria or on the likelihood that they will be satisfied will not be deemed an amendment or alteration of the Award.

4. <u>Vesting, Etc.</u> Without limiting the generality of paragraph 4(A)(2), the Committee may determine the time or times at which an Award will vest (i.e., become free of forfeiture restrictions) or become exercisable and the terms on which an Award requiring exercise will remain exercisable.

# B. <u>Awards Requiring Exercise</u>.

- 1. <u>Time and Manner of Exercise</u>. Unless the Committee expressly provides otherwise, (A) an Award requiring exercise by the holder will not be deemed to have been exercised until the Committee receives a written notice of exercise (in form acceptable to the Company) signed by the appropriate person and accompanied by any payment required under the Award; and (B) if the Award is exercised by any person other than the Participant, the Company may require satisfactory evidence that the person exercising the Award has the right to do so.
- 2. <u>Exercise Price</u>. The Committee shall determine the exercise price of each Stock Option or SAR; provided, that each Stock Option or SAR must have an exercise price that is not less than the Fair Market Value of the Stock subject to the Stock Option or SAR, determined as of the date of grant.
- 3. <u>Payment of Exercise Price, If Any.</u> Where the exercise of an Award is to be accompanied by payment, the Committee may determine the required or permitted forms of payment.

# C. Awards Not Requiring Exercise.

- Restricted Stock. Restricted Stock awards shall be evidenced by a written agreement in the form prescribed by the Committee in its discretion, which shall set forth the number of shares of Common Stock awarded, the restrictions imposed thereon, if any (which may include, without limitation, restrictions on the right of the grantee to sell, assign, transfer or encumber shares while such shares are subject to other restrictions imposed under this paragraph 4), the duration of such restrictions; the events (which may, in the discretion of the Committee, include performance-based events or objectives) the occurrence of which would cause a forfeiture of the Restricted Stock in whole or in part; and such other terms and conditions as the Committee in its discretion deems appropriate. If so determined by the Committee at the time of an award of Restricted Stock, the lapse of restrictions on Restricted Stock may be based on the extent of achievement over a specified performance period of one or more performance targets based on Performance Criteria established by the Committee. Restricted Stock awards shall be effective upon execution of the applicable Restricted Stock agreement by the Company and the Participant. Following a Restricted Stock award and prior to the lapse or termination of the applicable restrictions, the share certificates for such Restricted Stock shall be held in escrow by the Company. Upon the lapse or termination of the applicable restrictions (and not before such time), the certificates for the Restricted Stock shall be issued or delivered to the Participant. From the date a Restricted Stock award is effective, the Participant shall be a shareholder with respect to all the shares represented by such certificates and shall have all the rights of a shareholder with respect to all such shares, including the right to vote such shares and to receive all dividends and other distributions paid with respect to such shares, subject only to the restrictions imposed by the Committee.
- 2. Stock Unit Awards. Stock Unit Awards shall be evidenced by a written agreement in the form prescribed by the Committee in its discretion, which shall set forth the number of shares of Common Stock to be awarded pursuant to the Award, the restrictions imposed thereon (which may include, without limitation: restrictions on the right of the grantee to sell, assign, transfer or encumber the Award prior to vesting, and, in the discretion of the Committee, certain continued service requirements and terms under which the vesting of such Awards might be accelerated) and such other terms and conditions as the Committee in its discretion deems appropriate. If so determined by the Committee at the time of the grant of a Stock Unit Award, vesting of the Award may be contingent on achievement over a specified performance period of one or more performance targets based on Performance Criteria established by the Committee. Stock Unit Awards shall be effective upon execution of the applicable Stock Unit Award Agreement by the Company and the Participant. Upon a determination of satisfaction of the applicable performance-related conditions and satisfaction of the applicable continued service requirements, if any (and not before such time), shares of Stock shall be issued to the Participant pursuant to the Award. The Participant shall not have any rights of a shareholder of the Company with respect to such shares prior to such issuance, including, without limitation, any voting rights or rights to share in dividends.

- 3. <u>Unrestricted Stock and Other Stock-Based Awards</u>. The Committee shall have the authority in its discretion to grant to eligible Participants Unrestricted Stock and other Stock-Based Awards. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions, if any, of any Other Stock Based Awards made under the Plan.
- 4. <u>Non Stock Based Awards</u>. The Committee shall have the authority in its discretion to grant to eligible Participants Awards not based on the Stock, including, without limitation, Cash Performance Awards, and other Performance Awards as deemed by the Committee to be consistent with the purposes of the Plan.

#### 5. Limits on Awards under the Plan.

- A. <u>Number of Shares</u>. A maximum of 1,550,000 shares of Common Stock, subject to adjustment as provided in paragraph 7, may be delivered in satisfaction of Stock-Based Awards under the Plan.
- B. Share Counting Rules. The Committee may adopt reasonable counting procedures to ensure appropriate counting, avoid double counting (as, for example, in the case of tandem or substitute awards) and make adjustments if the number of shares of Stock actually delivered differs from the number of shares previously counted in connection with an Award. To the extent that an Award expires or is canceled, forfeited, settled in cash or otherwise terminated or concluded without a delivery to the Participant of the full number of shares to which the Award related, the undelivered shares will again be available for grant. Shares withheld in payment of the exercise price or taxes relating to an Award and shares equal to the number surrendered in payment of any exercise price or taxes relating to an Award shall be deemed to constitute shares not delivered to the Participant and shall be deemed to again be available for Awards under the Plan; provided, however, that, where shares are withheld or surrendered more than ten years after the date of the most recent stockholder approval of the Plan or any other transaction occurs that would result in shares becoming available under this paragraph 5B, such shares shall not become available if and to the extent that it would constitute a material revision of the Plan subject to stockholder approval under then applicable rules of the national securities exchange on which the Stock is listed or the Nasdaq Stock Market, as applicable.
- C. <u>Type of Shares</u>. Common Stock delivered by the Company under the Plan may be authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock or previously issued shares of Common Stock acquired by the Company and held in treasury. No fractional shares of Common Stock will be delivered under the Plan.
- D. <u>Stock-Based Award Limits</u>. The maximum number of shares of Common Stock subject to Awards that may be granted to any person in any calendar year shall be 100,000. Subject to such limitation, each person eligible to participate in the Plan shall be eligible in any year to receive Awards covering up to the full number of shares of Common Stock then available for Awards under the Plan.
- E. Other Award Limits. No more than \$500,000 may be paid to any individual with respect to any Cash Performance Award or other Performance Award (other than an Award expressed in terms of shares of Common Stock or units representing Common Stock, which shall instead be subject to the limit set forth in paragraph 5D above). In applying the dollar limitation of the preceding sentence: (i) multiple Cash or other Performance Awards to the same individual that are determined by reference to performance periods of one year or less ending with or within the same Fiscal Year of the Company shall be subject in the aggregate to one \$500,000 limit, and (ii) multiple Cash or other Performance Awards to the same individual that are determined by reference to one or more multi-year performance periods ending in the same Fiscal Year of the Company shall be subject in the aggregate to separate \$500,000 limits.

6. <u>Granting of Awards</u>. Awards may be granted under the Plan at any time on or after the Effective Date. The date of grant of an Award under the Plan will be the date specified by the Committee at the time it grants the Award; provided, however, that such date shall not be prior to the date on which the Committee acts to approve the grant.

# 7. Adjustments for Stock Dividends, Recapitalizations, and Similar Events; Corporate Events.

- A. <u>Dilution and Other Adjustments</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, in the event of any change in the outstanding shares of Common Stock by reason of any stock dividend or split, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, combination or exchange of shares, or other similar corporate change (including a Corporate Event, as defined below), an equitable adjustment shall be made, as determined by the Committee, so as to preserve, without increasing or decreasing, the value of Awards and authorizations, in (i) the maximum number or kind of shares issuable or Awards which may be granted under the Plan, (ii) the maximum number, kind or value of any Plan Awards which may be awarded or paid in general or to any one employee or to all employees in a Fiscal Year, (iii) the performance-based events or objectives applicable to any Plan Awards, (iv) any other aspect or aspects of the Plan or outstanding Awards made thereunder as specified by the Committee, or (v) any combination of the foregoing. Such adjustments shall be made by the Committee and shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes of the Plan.
- Corporate Events. Notwithstanding the foregoing, except as may otherwise be provided in an Award agreement or a written employment agreement between the Participant and the Company which has been approved by the Committee, upon any Corporate Event, in lieu of providing the adjustment set forth in paragraph 7A above, the Committee may, in its discretion, cancel any or all vested and/or unvested Awards as of the consummation of such Corporate Event, and provide that holders of Awards so cancelled will receive a payment in respect of cancellation of their Awards based on the amount of the per share consideration being paid for the Stock in connection with such Corporate Event, less, in the case of Stock Options and other Awards subject to exercise, the applicable exercise price; provided, however, that holders of (i) Stock Options shall only be entitled to consideration in respect of cancellation of such Awards if the per share consideration less the applicable exercise price is greater than zero, and (ii) Performance Awards shall only be entitled to consideration in respect of cancellation of such Awards to the extent that applicable Performance Criteria are achieved prior to or as a result of such Corporate Event, and shall not otherwise be entitled to payment in consideration of cancelled unvested Awards. Payments to holders pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be made in cash, or, in the sole discretion of the Committee, in such other consideration necessary for a holder of an Award to receive property, cash or securities as such holder would have been entitled to receive upon the occurrence of the transaction if the holder had been, immediately prior to such transaction, the holder of the number of shares of Stock covered by the Award at such time.
- C. Other Treatment of Awards. Subject to any greater rights granted to Participants under subparagraphs A, or B, in the event of a Corporate Event, any outstanding Awards shall be treated as provided in the applicable agreement or plan of merger, consolidation, dissolution, liquidation or sale of assets.
- D. Assumption of Awards by the Company. The Company, from time to time, also may substitute or assume outstanding awards granted by another company, whether in connection with an acquisition of such other company or otherwise, by either (a) granting an Award under the Plan in substitution of such other company's award, or (b) assuming such award as if it had been granted under the Plan if the terms of such assumed award could be applied to an Award granted under the Plan. Such substitution or assumption shall be permissible if the holder of the substituted or assumed award would have been eligible to be granted an Award under the Plan if the other company had applied the rules of the Plan to such grant. In the event the Company assumes an award granted by another company, the terms and conditions of such award shall remain unchanged (except that the exercise price and the number and nature of shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of any such option will be adjusted appropriately pursuant to Section 424(a) of the Code). In the event the Company elects to grant a new Stock Option rather than assuming an existing option, such new Stock Option may be granted with a similarly adjusted exercise price.

- Duration of Plan; Amendment of Plan. This Plan was adopted by the Board on March 22, 2006 and approved by the shareholders on May 11, 2006. The Plan was amended on March 24, 2011, February 23, 2016 and January 24, 2019 and such amendments were approved by the shareholders. The Plan was further amended on March 23, 2021, subject to ratification by the stockholders of the Company at the Company's 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. The Plan shall have no expiration date, however no ISO's may be granted after May 13, 2031. The Board may terminate or amend the Plan in any respect at any time, except that, the Board shall not take any of the following actions without the approval of the stockholders obtained within 12 months before or after the Board adopts a resolution authorizing any of the following: (a) an increase in the total number of shares that may be issued under the Plan (except by adjustment pursuant to paragraph 7); (b) a material amendment of the Plan (as such term is defined under applicable rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market or any stock exchange on which Common Stock may be listed, including, in addition to subparagraph (a) above, a material increase in the benefits to participants and any material expansion of the class of participants eligible to participate in the Plan and any expansion in the types of options or awards provided under the Plan); or (c) a modification of the provisions of paragraph 4(B) regarding the exercise price at which shares may be offered pursuant to Stock Options (except by adjustment pursuant to paragraph 7). Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph 8, in no event may action of the Board or stockholders alter or impair the rights of a grantee, without such grantee's consent, under any Award previously granted to such grantee.
- 9. <u>Application of Funds</u>. The proceeds received by the Company from the sale of shares pursuant to Stock Options granted under the Plan shall be used for general corporate purposes.

# 10. Miscellaneous Provisions.

- A. The holder of a Plan Award shall have no rights as a Company shareholder with respect thereto unless, and until the date as of which, shares of Common Stock shall have been issued in respect of such Award.
- B. Except as the Committee shall otherwise determine in connection with determining the terms of Awards to be granted or shall thereafter permit, no Plan Award or any rights or interests therein of the recipient thereof shall be assignable or transferable by such recipient except upon death to his or her Designated Beneficiary or by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and, except as aforesaid, during the lifetime of the recipient, a Plan Award shall be exercisable only by, or payable only to, as the case may be, such recipient or his or her guardian or legal representative.
- C. All Awards granted under the Plan shall be evidenced by agreements in such form and containing and/or incorporating such terms and conditions (not inconsistent with the Plan and applicable law) in addition to those provided for herein as the Committee shall approve.
- D. No shares of Common Stock shall be issued, delivered or transferred upon exercise or in payment of any Award granted hereunder unless and until all legal requirements applicable to the issuance, delivery or transfer of such shares have been complied with to the satisfaction of the Committee and the Company, including, without limitation, compliance with the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, the Act and the applicable requirements of the exchanges on which the Company's Common Stock may, at the time, be listed. The Committee and the Company shall have the right to condition any issuance of shares of Common Stock made to any Participant hereunder on such Participant's undertaking in writing to comply with such restrictions on his or her subsequent disposition of such shares as the Committee and/or the Company shall deem necessary or advisable as a result of any applicable law, regulation or official interpretation thereof, and certificates representing such shares may be legended to reflect any such restrictions.

- E. The Company shall have the right to make such provision for the withholding of taxes as it deems necessary. In furtherance of the foregoing, the Company shall have the right to require, as a condition of the distribution of Awards in Common Stock, that the Participant or other person receiving such Common Stock either (i) pay to the Company at the time of distribution thereof the amount of any federal, state, or local taxes which the Company is required to withhold with respect to such Common Stock or (ii) make such other arrangements as the Company may authorize from time to time to provide for such withholding including without limitation having the number of the units of the Award cancelled or the number of the shares of Common Stock to be distributed reduced by an amount with a value equal to the value of such taxes required to be withheld.
- F. No employee or director of the Company or a Subsidiary or other person shall have any claim or right to be granted an Award under this Plan. Neither this Plan nor any action taken hereunder shall be construed as giving any employee any right to be retained in the employ of the Company or a Subsidiary, it being understood that all Company and Subsidiary employees who have or may receive Awards under this Plan are employed at the will of the Company or such Subsidiary and in accord with all statutory provisions.
- G. The costs and expenses of administering this Plan shall be borne by the Company and not charged to any Award or to any employee or Participant receiving an Award.
- H. The validity and construction of the Plan and the instruments evidencing Awards shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, or the laws of any jurisdiction in which the Company or its successors in interest may be organized.





