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### KBL MERGER CORP. IV 527 Stanton Christiana Rd. Newark, Delaware 19713

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON JUNE 5, 2019

# TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF KBL MERGER CORP. IV:

You are cordially invited to attend the special meeting, which we refer to as the "Special Meeting", of stockholders of KBL Merger Corp. IV, which we refer to as "we", "us", "our", "KBL" or the "Company", to be held at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time on June 5, 2019 at the offices of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., located at 666 Third Avenue, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10017. The accompanying proxy statement, which we refer to as the "Proxy Statement", is dated May 20, 2019, and is first being mailed to stockholders of the Company on or about May 20, 2019. The sole purpose of the Special Meeting is to consider and vote upon the following proposals:

- a proposal to amend the Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation, which we refer to as the "charter", in the form set forth in <u>Annex A</u> to the accompanying Proxy Statement, which we refer to as the "Extension Amendment" and such proposal the "Extension Amendment Proposal", to extend the date by which the Company must (i) consummate a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses, which we refer to as a "business combination", (ii) cease its operations if it fails to complete such business combination except for the sole purpose of winding up, and (iii) redeem or repurchase 100% of the Company's common stock included as part of the units sold in the Company's initial public offering that was consummated on June 7, 2017, which we refer to as the "IPO", from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by the Board, which we refer to as the "Extension", and such later date, the "Extended Date"; and
- a proposal to approve the adjournment of the Special Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, which we refer to as the "Adjournment Proposal". The Adjournment Proposal will only be presented at the Special Meeting if there are not sufficient votes to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal.

Each of the Extension Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal is more fully described in the accompanying Proxy Statement.

The purpose of the Extension Amendment is to allow the Company more time to complete its initial business combination. On April 10, 2019, the Company entered into a non-binding term sheet (the "Term Sheet") for an initial business combination transaction (the "Transaction") to acquire CannBioRx Life Sciences Corp. ("CannBioRx") and its three key programs. This Transaction is subject to due diligence by us, the amalgamation and internal reorganization of CannBioRx and the companies comprising the three programs, the negotiation and execution of definitive agreements and approval by our board of directors of CannBioRx, as well as our and CannBioRx's respective shareholders. We cannot assure you that a definitive agreement for a Transaction will be entered into based on the terms set forth in the Term Sheet or at all. We may pursue alternative business combination transactions until the Extended Date.

Our Board currently believes that there will not be sufficient time before June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to complete a business combination. Accordingly, the Board believes that to consummate an initial business combination, we will need to obtain the Extension. Therefore, the Board has determined that it is in the best interests of our stockholders to extend the date that the Company has to consummate a business combination to the Extended Date in order that our stockholders have the opportunity to participate in our future investment. In the event that the Company will issue a press release and file a Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") announcing the proposed business combination.

In connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, public stockholders may elect to redeem their public shares for a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding shares of common stock issued in our IPO, which shares we refer to as the "public shares", and which election we refer to as the "Election", regardless of whether such public stockholders vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal. If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved by the requisite vote of stockholders, the remaining holders of public shares will retain their right to redeem their public shares when the proposed business combination is submitted to the stockholders, subject to any limitations set forth in our charter as amended by the Extension Amendment. In addition, public stockholders who do not make the Election would be entitled to have their public shares redeemed for cash if the Company has not completed a business combination by the Extended Date. KBL IV Sponsor LLC, which we refer to as our "Sponsor", owns 2,875,000 shares of our common stock, which we refer to as the "Founder Shares," that were purchased by the Sponsor rior to our IPO, and 377,500 units, which we refer to as the "Placement Units," that were purchased by the Sponsor in a private placement which occurred simultaneously with the completion of the IPO.

To exercise your redemption rights, you must affirmatively vote either "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal and demand that the Company redeem your public shares for a pro rata portion of the funds held in the trust account, and tender your shares to the Company's transfer agent at least two business days prior to the Special Meeting (or June 3, 2019). A redemption demand may be made by checking the box on the proxy card provided for that purpose and returning the proxy card in accordance with the instructions provided, and, at the same time, ensuring your bank or broker complies with the requirements identified elsewhere herein. You may tender your shares by either delivering your share certificate to the transfer agent or by delivering your shares electronically using the Depository Trust Company's DWAC (Deposit/Withdrawal At Custodian) system. If you hold your shares in street name, you will need to instruct your bank, broker or other nominee to withdraw the shares from your account in order to exercise your redemption rights.

On March 5, 2019, our stockholders approved to extend the period of time for which we are required to consummate a business combination until June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by our Board (the "First Extension Amendment", and such later date, the "First Extended Combination Period"). The number of shares of common stock presented for redemption in connection with the First Extension Amendment was 5,128,523. We paid cash in the aggregate amount of \$52,829,304, or approximately \$10.30 per share, to redeeming stockholders. As a result of the payment on the shares of common stock presented for redemption in connection with the First Extension Amendment, cash and marketable securities held in the Trust Account decreased to \$65,633,068. In addition, on March 8, 2019, an aggregate of \$573,433 was loaned to the Company and distributed as a cash payment to stockholders that did not redeem their Public Shares, which amount was equal to \$0.09 for each of the 6,371,477 Public Shares that were not redeemed. Such amount was paid from funds loaned to the Company by the Sponsor.

In connection with the approval of the First Extension Amendment, the Sponsor or its designees had previously agreed to loan us 0.03 for each Public Share that was not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019, and on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of each subsequent month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete a business combination from June 7, 2019 until the First Extended Combination Period. The Sponsor or its designees had the sole discretion whether to continue extending loans for additional calendar months, its obligation to make the additional loans following such determination would terminate.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, our Sponsor or its designees has agreed to loan to us \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019, and on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of each subsequent month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an initial business combination from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) until the Extended Date (the "Loans"). Given the longer period of time needed to potentially complete a business combination, such agreement to pay \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019 shall replace and supersede the previous agreement to loan us \$0.03 for each public share that was not redeemed for each calendar month company takes until December 7, 2019 to complete its business combination, which would represent six calendar months from June 7, 2019, our Sponsor or its designees would make aggregate Loans of approximately \$0.135 per public share that is not redeemed. Assuming the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, each Loan

will be deposited in the Trust Account within three calendar days from the beginning of such calendar month (or portion thereof). Accordingly, if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Extension is implemented and the Company takes the full time through the Extended Date to complete the initial business combination, the redemption amount per share at the meeting for such business combination or the Company's subsequent liquidation will be approximately \$10.535 per share, in comparison to the current redemption amount of \$10.40 per share (assuming no public shares were redeemed). The Loans are conditioned upon the implementation of the Extension Amendment. The Loans will not occur if the Extension Amendment is not approved or the Extension is not completed. The amount of the Loans will not bear interest and will be repayable by us to our Sponsor or its designees upon consummation of an initial business combination. If our Sponsor or its designees advises us that it does not intend to make the Loans, then the Extension Amendment and the Adjournment Proposal will not be put before the shareholders at the Special Meeting and we will dissolve and liquidate in accordance with our charter. Our Sponsor or its designees will have the sole discretion whether to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months, its obligation to make the Loans following such determination will terminate.

Based upon the current amount in the Trust Account, the Company anticipates that the per-share price at which public shares will be redeemed from cash held in the Trust Account will be approximately \$10.40 at the time of the Special Meeting. The closing price of the Company's common stock on May 16, 2019 was \$10.46. The Company cannot assure stockholders that they will be able to sell their shares of the Company's common stock in the open market, even if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its common stock when such stockholders wish to sell their shares of common stock.

The Adjournment Proposal, if adopted, will allow our Board to adjourn the Special Meeting to a later date or dates to permit further solicitation of proxies. The Adjournment Proposal will only be presented to our stockholders in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and we do not consummate a business combination by June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), as contemplated by our IPO prospectus and in accordance with our charter, we will (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding public shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the public stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Company's obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law. There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to our rights or warrants, which will expire worthless in the event of our winding up. In the event of a liquidation, our Sponsor will not receive any monies held in the Trust Account as a result of its ownership of the Founder Shares or the Placement Units

Subject to the foregoing, the affirmative vote of at least 65% of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock, including the Founder Shares and shares underlying the Private Units, will be required to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal. The approval of the Extension Amendment is essential to the implementation of our Board's plan to extend the date by which we must consummate our initial business combination. Notwithstanding stockholder approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, our Board will retain the right to abandon and not implement the Extension Amendment at any time without any further action by our stockholders.

Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the votes cast by stockholders represented in person or by proxy at the Special Meeting.

Our Board has fixed the close of business on May 15, 2019 as the date for determining the Company stockholders entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Special Meeting and any adjournment thereof. Only holders of record of the Company's common stock on that date are entitled to have their votes counted at the Special Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

You are not being asked to vote on a proposed business combination at this time. If the Extension is implemented and you do not elect to redeem your public shares, provided that you are a stockholder on the record date for a meeting to consider a business combination, you will retain the right to vote on a proposed business combination when it is submitted to stockholders and the right to redeem your public shares for cash in the event a business combination is approved and completed or we have not consummated a business combination by the Extended Date.

After careful consideration of all relevant factors, the Board has determined that the Extension Amendment Proposal and, if presented, the Adjournment Proposal are advisable and recommends that you vote or give instruction to vote "FOR" such proposals.

Under Delaware law and the Company's bylaws, no other business may be transacted at the Special Meeting.

Enclosed is the Proxy Statement containing detailed information concerning the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Adjournment Proposal and the Special Meeting. Whether or not you plan to attend the Special Meeting, we urge you to read this material carefully and vote your shares.

May 20, 2019	By Order of the Board of Directors	
	/s/ Marlene Krauss, M.D.	
	Marlene Krauss, M.D.	
	Chief Executive Officer	

Your vote is important. If you are a stockholder of record, please sign, date and return your proxy card as soon as possible to make sure that your shares are represented at the Special Meeting. If you are a stockholder of record, you may also cast your vote in person at the Special Meeting. If your shares are held in an account at a brokerage firm or bank, you must instruct your broker or bank how to vote your shares, or you may cast your vote in person at the Special Meeting by obtaining a proxy from your brokerage firm or bank. Your failure to vote or instruct your broker or bank how to vote will have the same effect as voting "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Special Meeting of Stockholders to be held on June 5, 2019: This notice of meeting and the accompanying Proxy Statement are available at https://www.cstproxy.com/kblmerger/2019.

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# SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON JUNE 5, 2019

# PROXY STATEMENT

The special meeting, which we refer to as the "Special Meeting", of stockholders of KBL Merger Corp. IV, which we refer to as "we", "us", "our", "KBL" or the "Company", will be held at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time on June 5, 2019 at the offices of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., located at 666 Third Avenue, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10017, for the sole purpose of considering and voting upon the following proposals:

- a proposal to amend the Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation, which we refer to as the "charter", in the form set forth in <u>Annex A</u>, which we refer to as the "Extension Amendment" and such proposal the "Extension Amendment Proposal", to extend the date by which the Company must (i) consummate a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses, which we refer to as a "business combination", (ii) cease its operations if it fails to complete such business combination except for the sole purpose of winding up, and (iii) redeem or repurchase 100% of the Company's common stock included as part of the units sold in the Company's initial public offering that was consummated on June 7, 2017, which we refer to as the "IPO", from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by the Board, which we refer to as the "Extension", and such later date, the "Extended Date"; and
- a proposal to approve the adjournment of the Special Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to
  permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or
  otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, which we refer to
  as the "Adjournment Proposal". The Adjournment Proposal will only be presented at the Special
  Meeting if there are not sufficient votes to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal.

The Extension Amendment Proposal is essential to the overall implementation of the plan of the board of directors, which we refer to as the "Board", to extend the date by which the Company has to complete an initial business combination. The purpose of the Extension Amendment is to allow the Company more time to complete its initial business combination. In the event that the Company enters into a definitive agreement for a business combination prior to the Special Meeting, the Company will issue a press release and file a Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission announcing the proposed business combination.

Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal is a condition to the implementation of the Extension. In addition, we will not proceed with the Extension if the number of redemptions or repurchases of our shares of common stock issued in our IPO, which shares we refer to as the "public shares", causes us to have less than \$5,000,001 of net tangible assets (which would occur if there are redemptions or repurchases of more than 5,521,889 of our public shares) following approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.

In connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, public stockholders may elect to redeem their public shares for a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares, and which election we refer to as the "Election", regardless of whether such public stockholders vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal. If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved by the requisite vote of stockholders, the remaining holders of public shares will retain their right to redeem their public shares when the proposed business combination is submitted to the stockholders, subject to any limitations set forth in our charter as amended by the Extension Amendment. In addition, public stockholders who do not make the Election would be entitled to have their public shares redeemed for cash if the Company has not completed a business combination by the Extended Date. KBL IV Sponsor LLC, which we refer to as our "Sponsor", owns 2,875,000 shares of our common stock, which we refer to as the "Founder Shares", that were purchased by the Sponsor in a private placement which occurred simultaneously with the completion of the IPO.

To exercise your redemption rights, you must affirmatively vote either "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal and demand that the Company redeem your public shares for a pro rata portion of the funds held in the trust account, and tender your shares to the Company's transfer agent at least two business days prior to the Special Meeting (or June 3, 2019). A redemption demand may be made by checking the box on the proxy card provided for that purpose and returning the proxy card in accordance with the instructions provided, and, at the same time, ensuring your bank or broker complies with the requirements identified elsewhere herein. You may tender your shares by either delivering your share certificate to the transfer agent or by delivering your shares electronically using the Depository Trust Company's DWAC (Deposit/Withdrawal At Custodian) system. If you hold your shares in street name, you will need to instruct your bank, broker or other nominee to withdraw the shares from your account in order to exercise your redemption rights.

On March 5, 2019, our stockholders approved to extend the period of time for which we are required to consummate a business combination until June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by our Board (the "First Extension Amendment", and such later date, the "First Extended Combination Period"). The number of shares of common stock presented for redemption in connection with the First Extension Amendment was 5,128,523. We paid cash in the aggregate amount of \$52,829,304, or approximately \$10.30 per share, to redeeming stockholders. As a result of the payment on the shares of common stock presented for redemption in connection with the First Extension Amendment, cash and marketable securities held in the Trust Account decreased to \$65,633,068. In addition, on March 8, 2019, an aggregate of \$573,433 was loaned to the Company and distributed as a cash payment to stockholders that did not redeem their Public Shares, which amount was equal to \$0.09 for each of the 6,371,477 Public Shares that were not redeemed. Such amount was paid from funds loaned to the Company by the Sponsor.

In connection with the approval of the First Extension Amendment, the Sponsor or its designees had previously agreed to loan us \$0.03 for each Public Share that was not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019, and on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of each subsequent month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete a business combination from June 7, 2019 until the First Extended Combination Period. The Sponsor or its designees had the sole discretion whether to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months, its obligation to make the additional loans following such determination would terminate.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, our Sponsor or its designees has agreed to loan to us \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019, and on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of each subsequent month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an initial business combination from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) until the Extended Date (the "Loans"). Given the longer period of time needed to potentially complete a business combination, such agreement to pay \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019 shall replace and supersede the previous agreement to loan us \$0.03 for each public share that was not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019. For example, if the Company takes until December 7, 2019 to complete its business combination, which would represent six calendar months from June 7, 2019, our Sponsor or its designees would make aggregate Loans of approximately \$0.135 per public share that is not redeemed. Assuming the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, each Loan will be deposited in the Trust Account within three calendar days from the beginning of such calendar month (or portion thereof). Accordingly, if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Extension is implemented and the Company takes the full time through the Extended Date to complete the initial business combination, the redemption amount per share at the meeting for such business combination or the Company's subsequent liquidation will be approximately \$10.535 per share, in comparison to the current redemption amount of \$10.40 per share (assuming no public shares were redeemed). The Loans are conditioned upon the implementation of the Extension Amendment. The Loans will not occur if the Extension Amendment is not approved or the Extension is not completed. The amount of the Loans will not bear interest and will be repayable by us to our Sponsor or its designees upon consummation of an initial business combination. If our Sponsor or its designees advises us that it does not intend to make the Loans, then the Extension Amendment and the Adjournment Proposal will not be put before the shareholders at the Special Meeting and we will dissolve and liquidate in accordance with our charter. Our Sponsor or its designees will have the sole discretion whether to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months until the Extended Date and if our Sponsor determines not to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months, its obligation to make the Loans following such determination will terminate.

Based upon the current amount in the Trust Account, the Company anticipates that the per-share price at which public shares will be redeemed from cash held in the Trust Account will be approximately \$10.40 at the time of the Special Meeting. The withdrawal of funds from the Trust Account in connection with the Election will reduce the amount held in the Trust Account following the Election, and the amount remaining in the Trust Account as of March 31, 2019. In such event, the Company may need to obtain additional funds to complete an initial business combination, and there can be no assurance that such funds will be available on terms acceptable to the parties or at all.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and we do not consummate a business combination by June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), as contemplated by our IPO prospectus and in accordance with our charter, we will (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding public shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the public stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Company's obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law.

There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to the Company's rights or warrants, which will expire worthless in the event of our winding up. In the event of a liquidation, KBL IV Sponsor LLC, which we refer to as our "Sponsor", will not receive any monies held in the Trust Account as a result of its ownership of 2,875,000 shares of our common stock, which we refer to as the "Founder Shares", that were issued to the Sponsor prior to our IPO, and 377,500 units, which we refer to as the "Placement Units", that were purchased by the Sponsor in a private placement which occurred simultaneously with the completion of the IPO. As a consequence, a liquidating distribution will be made only with respect to the public shares.

If the Company liquidates, the Sponsor has agreed to indemnify us to the extent any claims by a third party for services rendered or products sold to us, or any claims by a prospective target business with which we have discussed entering into an acquisition agreement, reduce the amount of funds in the Trust Account to below (i) \$10.10 per public share or (ii) such lesser amount per public share held in the Trust Account as of the date of the liquidation of the Trust Account due to reductions in the value of the trust assets, in each case net of the interest which may be withdrawn to pay taxes, except as to any claims by a third party who executed a waiver of any and all rights to seek access to our Trust Account and except as to any claims under our indemnity of the underwriters of our IPO against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which we refer to as the "Securities Act". Moreover, in the event that an executed waiver is deemed to be unenforceable against a third party, the Sponsor will not be responsible to the extent of any liability for such third party claims. We cannot assure you, however, that the Sponsor would be able to satisfy those obligations. Based upon the current amount in the Trust Account, we anticipate that the per-share price at which public shares will be redeemed from cash held in the Trust Account will be approximately \$10.40. Nevertheless, the Company cannot assure you that the per share distribution from the Trust Account, if the Company liquidates, will not be less than \$10.10, plus interest, due to unforceene claims of creditors.

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, which we refer to as the "DGCL", stockholders may be held liable for claims by third parties against a corporation to the extent of distributions received by them in a dissolution. If the corporation complies with certain procedures set forth in Section 280 of the DGCL intended to ensure that it makes reasonable provision for all claims against it, including a 60-day notice period during which any third-party claims can be brought against the corporation, a 90day period during which the corporation may reject any claims brought, and an additional 150-day waiting period before any liquidating distributions are made to stockholder's pro rata share of the claim or the amount distributed to the stockholder, and any liability of the stockholder would be barred after the third anniversary of the dissolution.

Because the Company will not be complying with Section 280 of the DGCL as described in our prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which we refer to as the "SEC", on June 2, 2017, Section 281(b) of the DGCL requires us to adopt a plan, based on facts known to us at such time that will provide for our payment of all existing and pending claims or claims that may be potentially brought against us within the 10 years following our

dissolution. However, because we are a blank check company, rather than an operating company, and our operations have been limited to searching for prospective target businesses to acquire, the only likely claims to arise would be from our vendors (such as lawyers or investment bankers) or prospective target businesses.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, the Company, pursuant to the terms of the investment management trust agreement, dated June 1, 2017, by and between the Company and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company (the "Trust Agreement"), will (i) remove from the Trust Account an amount, which we refer to as the "Withdrawal Amount", equal to the number of public shares properly redeemed multiplied by the per-share price, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares and (ii) deliver to the holders of such redeemed public shares their portion of the Withdrawal Amount. The remainder of such funds shall remain in the Trust Account and be available for use by the Company to complete a business combination on or before the Extended Date. Holders of public shares who do not redeem their public shares now will retain their redemption rights and their ability to vote on a business combination through the Extended Date if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved.

Our Board has fixed the close of business on May 15, 2019 as the date for determining the Company stockholders entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Special Meeting and any adjournment thereof. Only holders of record of the Company's common stock on that date are entitled to have their votes counted at the Special Meeting or any adjournment thereof. On the record date of the Special Meeting, there were 9,748,977 shares of the Company's common stock outstanding, including 6,371,477 shares of the Company's common stock issued in our IPO, 2,875,000 Founder Shares and an aggregate of 502,500 shares included in the Private Placement Units held by the Sponsor and the underwriters of the IPO. The Company's rights and warrants do not have voting rights in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal.

This Proxy Statement contains important information about the Special Meeting and the proposals. Please read it carefully and vote your shares.

We will pay for the entire cost of soliciting proxies from our working capital. We have engaged Advantage Proxy to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the Special Meeting. We have agreed to pay Advantage Proxy a fee of \$5,500. We will also reimburse Advantage Proxy for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and will indemnify Advantage Proxy and its affiliates against certain claims, liabilities, losses, damages and expenses. In addition to these mailed proxy materials, our directors and officers may also solicit proxies in person, by telephone or by other means of communication. These parties will not be paid any additional compensation for soliciting proxies. We may also reimburse brokerage firms, banks and other agents for the cost of forwarding proxy materials to beneficial owners. While the payment of these expenses will reduce the cash available to us to consummate an initial business combination if the Extension is approved, we do not expect such payments to have a material effect on our ability to consummate an initial business combination.

This Proxy Statement is dated May 20, 2019 and is first being mailed to stockholders on or about May 20, 2019.

# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE SPECIAL MEETING

These Questions and Answers are only summaries of the matters they discuss. They do not contain all of the information that may be important to you. You should read carefully the entire document, including the annexes to this Proxy Statement.

Why am I receiving this Proxy Statement?	We are a blank check company formed in Delaware on September 9, 2016, for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses. In June 2017, we consummated our IPO from which we derived gross proceeds of \$115,000,000. Like most blank check companies, our charter provides for the return of our IPO proceeds held in trust to the holders of shares of common stock sold in our IPO if there is no qualifying business combination(s) consummated on or before a certain date (in our case, the previously extended date of June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019) if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019). Our Board believes that it is in the best interests of the stockholders to continue our existence until the Extended Date to allow us more time to complete our initial business combination.
What is being voted on?	You are being asked to vote on:
	• a proposal to amend our charter to extend the date by which we have to consummate a business combination from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019 if the Company has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by September 9, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by the Board; and
	<ul> <li>a proposal to approve the adjournment of the Special Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.</li> </ul>
	The Extension Amendment Proposal is essential to the overall implementation of our Board's plan to extend the date that we have to complete a business combination. Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal is a condition to the implementation of the Extension.
	If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, we will, pursuant to the Trust Agreement, remove the Withdrawal Amount from the Trust Account, deliver to the holders of redeemed public shares their portion of the Withdrawal Amount and retain the remainder of the funds in the Trust Account for our use in connection with consummating a business combination on or before the Extended Date.
	We will not proceed with the Extension if redemptions of our public shares cause us to have less than \$5,000,001 of net tangible assets (which would occur if there are redemptions or repurchases of more than 5,521,889 of our public shares) following approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.
	If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Extension is implemented, the removal of the Withdrawal Amount from the Trust Account in connection with the Election will reduce the amount held in the Trust Account following the Election. We cannot predict the amount that will remain in the Trust Account if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the amount remaining in the Trust Account may be only a small fraction of the approximately \$66,326,749 that was in the Trust Account as of March 31, 2019. In such event, we will need to obtain additional funds to complete an initial business combination, and there can be no assurance that such funds will be available on terms acceptable to the parties or at all.

	If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and we have not consummated a business combination by June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), we will (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding public shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the public stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Company's obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law.
	There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to our rights or warrants, which will expire worthless in the event of our winding up. In the event of a liquidation, our Sponsor will not receive any monies held in the Trust Account as a result of its ownership of the Founder Shares and Private Units.
Why is the Company proposing the Extension Amendment Proposal?	Our charter provides for the return of our IPO proceeds held in trust to the holders of shares of common stock sold in our IPO if there is no qualifying business combination(s) consummated on or before June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019). As explained below, we will not be able to enter into a definitive agreement for or complete an initial business combination by that date and therefore, we are asking for an extension of this timeframe.
	While we have entered into a non-binding term sheet (the "Term Sheet") for an initial business combination transaction (the "Transaction") to acquire CannBioRx Life Sciences Corp. ("CannBioRx") and its three key programs and are currently in discussions regarding business combination opportunities, we have not yet executed a definitive agreement for a business combination. There is no assurance that the Company will enter into such an agreement with CannBioRx or any prospective target, and even if the Company enters into such an agreement, it may not be able to consummate such a business combination given the actions that must occur prior to closing.
	The Company believes that given its expenditure of time, effort and money on finding a business combination, circumstances warrant providing public stockholders an opportunity to consider a business combination. Accordingly, the Board is proposing the Extension Amendment Proposal to amend our charter in the form set forth in Annex A hereto to extend the date by which we must (i) consummate a business combination, (ii) cease our operations if we fail to complete such business combination, and (iii) redeem or repurchase 100% of our common stock included as part of the units sold in our IPO from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019 if the Company has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by September 9, 2019).
	You are not being asked to vote on a proposed business combination at this time. If the Extension is implemented and you do not elect to redeem your public shares, provided that you are a stockholder on the record date for a meeting to consider a business combination, you will retain the right to vote on a proposed business combination when it is submitted to stockholders and the right to redeem your public shares for cash in the event a business combination is approved and completed or we have not consummated a business combination by the Extended Date.

Why should I vote	Our Board believes stockholders should have an opportunity to evaluate an initial
"FOR" the Extension Amendment Proposal?	business combination, if the Company is able to successfully negotiate and enter into a definitive agreement with respect to such a transaction. Accordingly, the Board is proposing the Extension Amendment Proposal to amend our charter in the form set forth in <u>Annex A</u> hereto to extend the date by which we must (i) consummate a business combination, (ii) cease our operations if we fail to complete such business combination, and (iii) redeem or repurchase 100% of our common stock included as part of the units sold in our IPO from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019 if the Company has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by September 9, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by the Board. The Extension would give the Company the opportunity to complete a business combination.
	Our charter, as previously amended on March 5, 2019, provides that if our stockholders approve an amendment to our charter that would affect the substance or timing of our obligation to redeem 100% of our public shares if we do not complete our business combination before June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), we will provide our public stockholders with the opportunity to redeem all or a portion of their public shares upon such approval at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares. We believe that this charter provision was included to protect our stockholders from having to sustain their investments for an unreasonably long period if we failed to find a suitable business combination, circumstances warrant providing those who believe they might find any potential business combination to be an attractive investment with an opportunity to consider such a transaction.
	Our Board recommends that you vote in favor of the Extension Amendment Proposal.
Why should I vote "FOR" the Adjournment Proposal?	If the Adjournment Proposal is not approved by our stockholders, our Board may not be able to adjourn the Special Meeting to a later date in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.
What amount will holders receive upon consummation of a subsequent business combination or liquidation if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved?	If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, our Sponsor or its designees has agreed to loan to us \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019, and on the 7 <sup>th</sup> day of each subsequent month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an initial business combination from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) until the Extended Date (the "Loans"). Given the longer period of time needed to potentially complete a business combination, such agreement to pay \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019 shall replace and supersede the previous agreement to loan us \$0.03 for each public share that was not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019. For example, if the Company takes until December 7, 2019 to complete its business combination, which would represent six calendar months from June 7, 2019, our Sponsor or its designees would make aggregate Loans of approximately \$0.135 per public share that is not redeemed. Assuming the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, each Loan will be deposited in the Trust Account within three calendar days from the beginning of such calendar month (or portion thereof). Accordingly, if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Extension is implemented and the Company takes the full time through the Extended Date to complete the initial business combination, or the Company's subsequent liquidation will be approximately \$10.535 per share, in comparison to the current redemption amount of \$10.40 per share per (assuming no
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	public shares were redeemed). The Loans are conditioned upon the implementation of the Extension Amendment. The Loans will not occur if the Extension Amendment is not approved or the Extension is not completed. The amount of the Loans will not bear interest and will be repayable by us to our Sponsor or its designees upon consummation of an initial business combination. If our Sponsor or its designees advises us that it does not intend to make the Loans, then the Extension Amendment and the Adjournment Proposal will not be put before the shareholders at the Special Meeting and we will dissolve and liquidate in accordance with our charter. Our Sponsor or its designees will have the sole discretion whether to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months until the Extended Date and if our Sponsor determines not to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months, its obligation to make the Loans following such determination will terminate.
When would the Board abandon the Extension Amendment Proposal?	Our Board will abandon the Extension Amendment if our stockholders do not approve the Extension Amendment Proposal. In addition, notwithstanding stockholder approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, our Board will retain the right to abandon and not implement the Extension Amendment at any time without any further action by our stockholders. In addition, we will not proceed with the Extension if the number of redemptions or repurchases of our shares of common stock issued in our IPO, which shares we refer to as the "public shares", causes us to have less than \$5,000,001 of net tangible assets (which would occur if there are redemptions or repurchases of more than 5,521,889 of our public shares) following approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.
How do the Company insiders intend to vote their shares?	All of our directors, executive officers and their respective affiliates are expected to vote any common stock over which they have voting control (including any public shares owned by them) in favor of the Extension Amendment Proposal. Currently, our Sponsor and our officers and directors own approximately 33.3% of our issued and outstanding shares of common stock, including all of the Founder Shares and 377,500 shares underlying the Private Units. Our Sponsor and our directors, executive officers and their affiliates do not intend to purchase shares of common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions in connection with the stockholder vote on the Extension Amendment.
What vote is required to adopt the Extension Amendment Proposal?	Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal will require the affirmative vote of holders of at least 65% of our outstanding shares of common stock on the record date, including the Founder Shares and shares underlying the Private Units.
What vote is required to adopt the Adjournment Proposal?	The approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the votes cast by stockholders represented in person or by proxy.
What if I don't want to vote "FOR" the Extension Amendment Proposal?	If you do not want the Extension Amendment Proposal to be approved, you must abstain, not vote, or vote "AGAINST" such proposal. You will be entitled to redeem your public shares for cash in connection with this vote only if you vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal and elect to redeem your public shares for a pro rata portion of the funds available in the Trust Account in connection with the Extension Amendment. If you abstain from voting on the Extension Amendment Proposal, then you will not be eligible to redeem your public shares. If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, and the Extension is implemented, then the Withdrawal Amount will be withdrawn from the Trust Account and paid to the redeeming holders.

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that must occur prior to closing.
If the Company executes such a definitive agreement, we will seek to complete the business combination, which will involve:
completing proxy materials;
<ul> <li>establishing a meeting date and record date for considering such propose business combination, and distributing proxy materials to stockholders; and</li> </ul>
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We are seeking approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal because we will
not be able to complete all of the tasks listed above prior to June 7, 2019 (o
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we expect to seek stockholder approval of a proposed business combination. I stockholders approve the proposed business combination, we expect to consummat
the business combination as soon as possible following such stockholder approval.
Upon approval by at least 65% of the common stock outstanding as of the record
date of the Extension Amendment Proposal, we will file an amendment to the
charter with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware in the form set fort
in <u>Annex A</u> hereto. We will remain a reporting company under the Exchange Ac and our units, common stock, rights and warrants will remain publicly traded.
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Amount from the Trust Account will reduce the amount remaining in the Trus
Account and increase the percentage interest of our common stock held by ou Sponsor, our directors and our officers as a result of its ownership of the Founde Shares and Private Units.
Notwithstanding stockholder approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, ou
Board will retain the right to abandon and not implement the Extension
Amendment at any time without any further action by our stockholders.

What happens to the Company rights and warrants if the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved?	If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and we have not consummated a business combination by June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), we will (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding public shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the public stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Company's obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law. There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to our rights and warrants, which will expire worthless in the event of our winding up.
What happens to the Company rights and warrants if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved?	If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, we will retain the blank check company restrictions previously applicable to us and continue to attempt to consummate a business combination until the Extended Date. The public rights will remain outstanding until converted upon consummation of the business combination. The public warrants will remain outstanding and only become exercisable 30 days after the completion of a business combination, provided we have an effective registration statement under the Securities Act covering the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants and a current prospectus relating to them is available (or we permit holders to exercise warrants on a cashless basis).
Would I still be able to exercise my redemption rights if I vote "AGAINST" the proposed business combination?	Unless you elect to redeem your public shares at this time, you will be able to vote on any proposed business combination when it is submitted to stockholders if you are a stockholder on the record date for a meeting to seek stockholder approval of the business combination. If you disagree with the proposed business combination, you will retain your right to redeem your public shares upon consummation of the business combination in connection with the stockholder vote to approve the business combination, subject to any limitations set forth in our charter.
How do I change or revoke my vote?	You may change your vote by sending a later-dated, signed proxy card to our Secretary at KBL Merger Corp. IV, 527 Stanton Christiana Rd., Newark, Delaware 19713 so that it is received by our Secretary prior to the Special Meeting or by attending the Special Meeting in person and voting. You also may revoke your proxy by sending a notice of revocation to our secretary, which must be received by our Secretary prior to the Special Meeting.
	Please note, however, that if on the record date your shares were held, not in your name, but rather in an account at a brokerage firm, custodian bank, or other nominee then you are the beneficial owner of shares held in "street name" and these proxy materials are being forwarded to you by that organization. If your shares are held in street name, and you wish to attend the Special Meeting and vote at the Special Meeting, you must bring to the Special Meeting a legal proxy from the broker, bank or other nominee holding your shares, confirming your beneficial ownership of the shares and giving you the right to vote your shares.
How are votes counted?	Votes will be counted by the inspector of election appointed for the meeting, who will separately count "FOR" and "AGAINST" votes and abstentions. The Extension Amendment Proposal must be approved by the affirmative vote of at least 65% of the outstanding shares as of the record date of our common stock, including the Founder Shares and shares underlying the Private Units, voting together as a single class. Accordingly, a Company stockholder's failure to vote by proxy or to vote in person at the Special Meeting or an abstention with respect to the Extension Amendment Proposal will have the same effect as a vote "AGAINST" such proposal.

	The approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the votes cast by stockholders represented in person or by proxy. Accordingly, a Company stockholder's failure to vote by proxy or to vote in person at the Special Meeting will not be counted towards the number of shares of common stock required to validly establish a quorum, and if a valid quorum is otherwise established, it will have no effect on the outcome of any vote on the Adjournment Proposal.
	Abstentions will be counted in connection with the determination of whether a valid quorum is established but will have no effect on the outcome of the Adjournment Proposal.
If my shares are held in "street name," will my broker automatically vote them for me?	No. Under the rules of various national and regional securities exchanges, your broker, bank, or nominee cannot vote your shares with respect to non-discretionary matters unless you provide instructions on how to vote in accordance with the information and procedures provided to you by your broker, bank, or nominee. We believe all the proposals presented to the stockholders will be considered non-discretionary and therefore your broker, bank, or nominee cannot vote your shares without your instruction. Your bank, broker, or other nominee can vote your shares only if you provide instructions on how to vote. You should instruct your broker to vote your shares in accordance with directions you provide. If your shares are held by your broker as your nominee, which we refer to as being held in "street name", you may need to obtain a proxy form from the institution that holds your shares and follow the instructions included on that form regarding how to instruct your broker to vote your shares.
What is a quorum requirement?	A quorum of stockholders is necessary to hold a valid meeting. Holders of a majority in voting power of our common stock on the record date issued and outstanding and entitled to vote at the Special Meeting, present in person or represented by proxy, constitute a quorum.
	Your shares will be counted towards the quorum only if you submit a valid proxy (or one is submitted on your behalf by your broker, bank or other nominee) or if you vote in person at the Special Meeting. Abstentions will be counted towards the quorum requirement. In the absence of a quorum, the chairman of the meeting has power to adjourn the Special Meeting. As of the record date for the Special Meeting, 4,874,489 shares of our common stock would be required to achieve a quorum.
Who can vote at the Special Meeting?	Only holders of record of our common stock at the close of business on May15, 2019 are entitled to have their vote counted at the Special Meeting and any adjournments or postponements thereof. On this record date, 9,748,977 shares of our common stock were outstanding and entitled to vote.
	Stockholder of Record: Shares Registered in Your Name If on the record date your shares were registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, then you are a stockholder of record. As a stockholder of record, you may vote in person at the Special Meeting or vote by proxy. Whether or not you plan to attend the Special Meeting in person, we urge you to fill out and return the enclosed proxy card to ensure your vote is counted.
	Beneficial Owner: Shares Registered in the Name of a Broker or Bank. If on the record date your shares were held, not in your name, but rather in an account at a brokerage firm, bank, dealer, or other similar organization, then you are the beneficial owner of shares held in "street name" and these proxy materials are being forwarded to you by that organization. As a beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker or other agent on how to vote the shares in your account. You are also invited to attend the Special Meeting. However, since you are not the stockholder of record, you may not vote your shares in person at the Special Meeting unless you request and obtain a valid proxy from your broker or other agent.

Vac After correctly consideration of the terms and conditions of these proposals	
Yes. After careful consideration of the terms and conditions of these proposals our Board has determined that the Extension Amendment and, if presented, the Adjournment Proposal are in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. The Board recommends that our stockholders vote "FOR" the Extension Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal.	
Our Sponsor, directors and officers have interests in the proposals that may be different from, or in addition to, your interests as a stockholder. These interests include:	
<ul> <li>the fact that our Sponsor holds 2,875,000 Founder Shares (purchased for \$25,000) and 377,500 Placement Units (purchased for approximately \$3.8 million), and our officers and directors own membership interests in the Sponsor representing pecuniary interests in such securities, that would expire worthless if a business combination is not consummated;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>the fact that, as of March 31, 2019, the Company's outstanding advances from the Sponsor amounting to \$203,030 had been formalized into a promissory note and become convertible into units of the post-Business Combination entity at a price of \$10.00 per unit;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>the fact that, if the Trust Account is liquidated, including in the event we are unable to complete an initial business combination within the required time period, the Sponsor has agreed to indemnify us to ensure that the proceeds in the Trust Account are not reduced below \$10.10 per public share, or such lesser per public share amount as is in the Trust Account on the liquidation date, by the claims of prospective target businesses with which we have entered into an acquisition agreement or claims of any third party for services rendered or products sold to us, but only if such a third party or target business has not executed a waiver of any and all rights to seek access to the Trust Account; and</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>the fact that none of our officers or directors has received any cash compensation for services rendered to the Company, and all of the current members of our Board are expected to continue to serve as directors at least through the date of the Special Meeting to vote on a proposed business combination and may even continue to serve following any potential business combination and receive compensation thereafter.</li> </ul>	
See the section entitled "The Extension Amendment Proposal — Interests of our Sponsor, Directors and Officers".	
Our stockholders do not have appraisal rights in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal under the DGCL.	
We urge you to read carefully and consider the information contained in this Proxy Statement, including the annexes, and to consider how the proposals will affect you as our stockholder. You should then vote as soon as possible in accordance with the instructions provided in this Proxy Statement and on the enclosed proxy card.	
If you are a holder of record of our common stock, you may vote in person at the Special Meeting or by submitting a proxy for the Special Meeting. Whether or not you plan to attend the Special Meeting in person, we urge you to vote by proxy to ensure your vote is counted. You may submit your proxy by completing, signing, dating and returning the enclosed proxy card in the accompanying pre-addressed postage paid envelope. You may still attend the Special Meeting and vote in person	

	If your shares of our common stock are held in "street name" by a broker or other agent, you have the right to direct your broker or other agent on how to vote the shares in your account. You are also invited to attend the Special Meeting. However, since you are not the stockholder of record, you may not vote your shares in person at the Special Meeting unless you request and obtain a valid proxy from your broker or other agent.
How do I redeem my shares of common stock?	If the Extension is implemented, each of our public stockholders may seek to redeem all or a portion of his public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares. You will also be able to redeem your public shares in connection with any stockholder vote to approve a proposed business combination, or if we have not consummated a business combination by the Extended Date.
	In order to exercise your redemption rights, you must (i) affirmatively vote either "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal, (ii) check the box on the enclosed proxy card to elect redemption, and (iii) prior to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on June 3, 2019 (two business days before the Special Meeting) tender your shares physically or electronically and submit a request in writing that we redeem your public shares for cash to Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, our transfer agent, at the following address:
	Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company 1 State Street Plaza, 30 <sup>th</sup> Floor New York, New York 10004 Attn: Mark Zimkind E-mail: mzimkind@continentalstock.com
What should I do if I receive more than one set of voting materials?	You may receive more than one set of voting materials, including multiple copies of this Proxy Statement and multiple proxy cards or voting instruction cards, if your shares are registered in more than one name or are registered in different accounts. For example, if you hold your shares in more than one brokerage account, you will receive a separate voting instruction card for each brokerage account in which you hold shares. Please complete, sign, date and return each proxy card and voting instruction card that you receive in order to cast a vote with respect to all of your Company shares.
Who is paying for this proxy solicitation?	We will pay for the entire cost of soliciting proxies from our working capital. We have engaged Advantage Proxy to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the Special Meeting. We have agreed to pay Advantage Proxy a fee of \$5,500. We will also reimburse Advantage Proxy for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and will indemnify Advantage Proxy and its affiliates against certain claims, liabilities, losses, damages and expenses. In addition to these mailed proxy materials, our directors and officers may also solicit proxies in person, by telephone or by other means of communication. These parties will not be paid any additional compensation for soliciting proxies. We may also reimburse brokerage firms, banks and other agents for the cost of forwarding proxy materials to beneficial owners. While the payment of these expenses will reduce the cash available to us to consummate an initial business combination.
Who can help answer my questions?	If you have questions about the proposals or if you need additional copies of the Proxy Statement or the enclosed proxy card you should contact our proxy solicitor, Advantage Proxy, at (877) 870-8565 (toll free) or by email at ksmith@advantageproxy.com.
	You may also contact us at:
	KBL Merger Corp. IV 527 Stanton Christiana Rd. Newark, Delaware 19713
	You may also obtain additional information about the Company from documents filed with the SEC by following the instructions in the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information".

# FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We believe that some of the information in this Proxy Statement constitutes forward-looking statements. You can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as "may", "expect", "anticipate", "contemplate", "believe", "estimate", "intends", and "continue" or similar words. You should read statements that contain these words carefully because they:

- discuss future expectations;
- · contain projections of future results of operations or financial condition; or
- state other "forward-looking" information.

We believe it is important to communicate our expectations to our stockholders. However, there may be events in the future that we are not able to predict accurately or over which we have no control. The cautionary language discussed in this Proxy Statement provides examples of risks, uncertainties and events that may cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations described by us in such forward-looking statements, including, among other things, claims by third parties against the Trust Account, unanticipated delays in the distribution of the funds from the Trust Account and our ability to finance and consummate a business combination. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this Proxy Statement.

All forward-looking statements included herein attributable to us or any person acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. Except to the extent required by applicable laws and regulations, we undertake no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

# BACKGROUND

We are a blank check company formed in Delaware on September 9, 2016, for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses.

On June 7, 2017, we consummated our IPO of 10,000,000 units, each unit consisting of one share of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, one right to receive one-tenth of one share of common stock upon consummation of our initial business combination, and one warrant to purchase one-half of one share of common stock at an exercise price of \$11.50 per whole share, pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-217475). The units were sold in our IPO at an offering price of \$100,000 per unit, generating gross proceeds of \$100,000,000 (before underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses). Simultaneously with the consummation of our IPO, we completed the private placement of 450,000 Placement Units, issued to our Sponsor and the underwriters of our IPO, generating gross proceeds of \$4,500,000.

On June 23, 2017, the underwriters of our IPO exercised their over-allotment option in full and purchased 1,500,000 units at an offering price of \$10.00 per unit, generating gross proceeds of \$15,000,000. On June 23, 2017, simultaneously with the sale of the over-allotment units, we completed a private placement with our Sponsor and the underwriters of our IPO for an additional 52,500 Placement Units at a price of \$10.00 per unit, generating gross proceeds of \$525,000.

Following the closing of the IPO and the Private Placement, an amount of \$116,150,000 (\$10.10 per Unit) from the net proceeds of the sale of the Units in the IPO and the Placement Units was placed in the Trust Account and invested in U.S. government securities, within the meaning set forth in Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act, with a maturity of 180 days or less or in any open-ended investment company that holds itself out as a money market fund selected by the Company meeting the conditions of Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act, as determined by the Company.

The Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, other than the withdrawal of interest to pay taxes, if any, none of the funds held in the Trust Account will be released until the earlier of: (i) the completion of a business combination or (ii) the distribution of the Trust Account, as described herein.

On March 5, 2019, our stockholders approved to extend the period of time for which we are required to consummate a business combination from March 7, 2019 until June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive

agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by our board of directors (the "First Extension Amendment", and such later date, the "First Combination Period"). The number of shares of common stock presented for redemption in connection with the First Extension Amendment was 5,128,523. We paid cash in the aggregate amount of \$52,829,304, or approximately \$10.30 per share, to redeeming stockholders. As a result of the payment on the shares of common stock presented for redemption in connection with the First Extension Amendment, cash and marketable securities held in the Trust Account decreased to \$65,633,068. In addition, on March 8, 2019, an aggregate of \$573,433 was loaned to the Company and distributed as a cash payment to stockholders that did not redeem their Public Shares, which amount was loaned to the Company by the Sponsor.

In connection with the approval of the First Extension Amendment, the Sponsor or its designees had previously agreed to loan us \$0.03 for each Public Share that was not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019, and on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of each subsequent month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete a business combination from June 7, 2019 until the First Extended Combination Period. The Sponsor or its designees had the sole discretion whether to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months, its obligation to make the additional loans following such determination would terminate.

There are currently 9,748,977 shares of common stock of the Company issued and outstanding, consisting of 6,371,477 public shares, 2,875,000 Founder Shares and an aggregate of 502,500 shares included in the Placement Units held by the Sponsor and the underwriters of the IPO. Each Placement Unit consists of one share of common stock, one right to receive one-tenth of one share of the Company's common stock upon consummation of a business combination and one warrant. Each right entitles its holder to receive one-tenth (1/10) of one share of common stock upon the consummation of the business combination. Each warrant entitles its holder to purchase one-half of one share of our common stock at an exercise price of \$5.75 per half share, to be exercised only for a whole number of shares of our common stock. The warrants will become exercisable 30 days after the completion of our initial business combination and expire five years after the completion of our initial business canding warrants at a price of \$0.01 per warrant, if the last sale price of the Company's common stock equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share of any 20 trading days within a 30 trading day period ending on the third business day before the Company sends the notice of redemption to the warrant holders. The warrants included in the Private Placement Units, however, are non-redeemable so long as they are held by our Sponsor or its permitted transferees.

On May 14, 2019, the Company issued a press release announcing the execution of the Term Sheet. The execution of the Term Sheet was previously disclosed in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 16, 2019. The Company and the Sponsor entered into the Term Sheet for the Transaction) with CannBioRx, Katexco Pharmaceuticals Corp., a Canadian corporation ("Katexco"), CannBioRx Pharmaceuticals Corp., a Canadian corporation ("CBR Pharma"), 180 Therapeutics, LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("180" and, together with Katexco and CBR Pharma, the "Subsidiaries" and, together with CannBioRx, the "CannBioRx Parties"), and Tyche Capital LLC, a limited liability company, solely with respect to the sections of the Term Sheet in which it is referred ("Tyche"), pursuant to which the Company will acquire 100% of the outstanding equity and equity equivalents of CannBioRx (including options, warrants or other securities that have the right to acquire or convert into equity securities of CannBioRx) (collectively, the "CannBioRx Securities") in exchange for shares of common stock of the Company (the "Transaction Shares") valued at \$175 million (the "Valuation"), subject to adjustment as described below. Each Transaction Share will have a value equal to the redemption amount payable to the Company's public stockholders (the "Redemption Price") that redeem their shares of the Company's common stock in connection with the closing of the Transaction (the "Closing"). The \$175 million of consideration will be (i) reduced by the amount of any indebtedness of CannBioRx Parties and (ii) increased by the amount of any cash of the CannBioRx Parties, in either case, as of the Closing. In addition, the Valuation will be verified prior to the signing of a definitive agreement governing the Transaction (a "Definitive Agreement") by an investment bank reasonably acceptable to the Company, CannBioRx and Tyche. It is contemplated that CannBioRx will not be acquiring the shares of the Canadian shareholders in Katexco and CannBio Pharma. Those shareholders will continue to hold exchangeable shares in a Canadian holdco of CannBioRx that are exchangeable for common stock of CannBioRx and ultimately, upon closing of the business combination, exchangeable for shares of common stock of the Company.

The Term Sheet is intended to express only a mutual indication of interest in the Transaction and does not represent a legally binding commitment or obligation on the part of the parties, and there can be no assurances that the

Transaction will be consummated. The obligation of the parties will be subject to execution of a Definitive Agreement containing terms and conditions satisfactory to the Company and CannBioRx.

Prior to, or simultaneously with the Closing, CannBioRx and the Subsidiaries will engage in a corporate restructuring pursuant to which each of the Subsidiaries, along with a new Canadian corporation and a Cayman Island company will become wholly-owned subsidiaries of CannBioRx.

Prior to signing a Definitive Agreement, the parties have agreed to ensure that the Company will have at least \$40 million in cash available at the Closing either through backstop commitment or financing arrangements.

In connection with the entry into the Term Sheet, the CannBioRx Parties deposited in escrow as a loan, \$400,000 to be used by the Company to fund its operating expenses, deal transaction expenses and any financing expenses for the Transaction (the "Operating Expenses"). In addition, the CannBioRx Parties agreed to deposit in escrow as a loan up to an additional \$300,000 to be used by the Company in connection with any future extensions of the deadline for the Company to consummate its initial business combination (the "Extension Expenses"). The loans are interest-free unsecured loans and can be pre-paid at any time without penalty, but are required to be repaid (subject to a customary waiver against the Company of a transaction with a third party constituting the Company's initial business combination (an "Alternative Business Combination"), or (iii) the liquidation of the Company if it does not consummate an initial business combination prior to its deadline to do so (a "Liquidation").

Each of the Company and the CannBioRx Parties also agreed that until June 10, 2019 (subject to earlier termination as described below, the "Exclusivity Period"), such party will not, and will cause its representatives not to, directly or indirectly, solicit or initiate or enter into discussions, negotiations, letters of intent, agreements or transactions with, or encourage, or provide any information to, any person or entity (other than the other party) concerning any Alternative Transaction (as defined below), or make any filing with any governmental authority with respect thereto.

For purposes of the Term Sheet, an "Alternative Transaction" means (i) with respect to the CannBioRx Parties, any transaction with respect to the direct or indirect sale, transfer, license or other disposition of any CannBioRx Party or its subsidiaries, or their respective equity interests, business or material assets (outside of the ordinary course of business), whether by purchase, merger, consolidation, recapitalization, exclusive license or otherwise, or any similar transaction that would reasonably be expected to prohibit, impair or materially delay the proposed Transaction and (ii) with respect to the Company, a business combination. Each of the Company and the CannBioRx Parties also agreed to immediately suspend any pre-existing discussion with all parties other than the other party and its affiliates regarding any solicitation or offer for an Alternative Transaction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either the Company or CannBioRx may terminate the Exclusivity Period immediately in the event that the other party (i) abandons discussions regarding the proposed Transaction or otherwise fails to continue to negotiate the proposed Transaction with such terminating party in good faith, or (ii) notifies such terminating party that it no longer desires or intends to pursue or consummate the proposed Transaction; provided that if CannBioRx terminates the Exclusivity Period early pursuant to the foregoing clauses (i) or (ii), (A) any remaining funds deposited by the CannBioRx Parties into escrow shall be immediately released back to the CannBioRx Parties as a prepayment of the aforementioned loans and (B) any obligations of the CannBioRx Parties to fund additional amounts pursuant to the Term Sheet and of Tyche to participate in a financing shall terminate and be of no further force and effect.

The mailing address of the Company's principal executive office is 527 Stanton Christiana Rd., Newark, Delaware 19713.

We are currently in discussions to complete a business combination that will qualify as an initial business combination under our charter. In the event that the Company enters into a definitive agreement for a business combination prior to the Special Meeting, we will issue a press release and file a Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission announcing the proposed business combination.

You are not being asked to vote on a proposed business combination at this time. If the Extension is implemented and you do not elect to redeem your public shares, provided that you are a stockholder on the record date for a meeting to consider a business combination, you will retain the right to vote on a proposed business combination when it is submitted to stockholders and the right to redeem your public shares for cash in the event a business combination is approved and completed or we have not consummated a business combination by the Extended Date.

# THE EXTENSION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

The Company is proposing to amend its charter to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate a business combination to the Extended Date.

The Extension Amendment Proposal is essential to the overall implementation of the Board's plan to allow the Company more time to complete a business combination. Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal is a condition to the implementation of the Extension.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and we have not consummated a business combination by June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), we will (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding public shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the public stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Company's obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law.

The Board believes that, given the Company's expenditure of time, effort and money on finding a business combination, circumstances warrant providing public stockholders an opportunity to consider a business combination.

A copy of the proposed amendment to the charter of the Company is attached to this Proxy Statement in <u>Annex A</u>.

### **Reasons for the Extension Amendment Proposal**

The Company's charter, as amended on March 5, 2019, provides that the Company has until June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June7, 2019) to complete the purposes of the Company including, but not limited to, effecting a business combination under its terms. While we are currently in discussions regarding business combination opportunities, our Board currently believes that there will not be sufficient time before June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to enter into a definitive agreement for or complete a business combination. The Company's IPO prospectus and charter provide that the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 65% of all outstanding shares of common stock, including the Founder Shares and shares underlying the Private Units, is required to extend our corporate existence, except in connection with, and effective upon, consummation of a business combination. Additionally, our IPO prospectus and charter provide for all public stockholders to have an opportunity to redeem their public shares in the case our corporate existence is extended as described above. Because we continue to believe that a business combination would be in the best interests of our stockholders, and because we will not be able to conclude a business combination within the permitted time period, the Board has determined to seek stockholder approval to extend the date by which we have to complete a business combination beyond June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to the Extended Date. We intend to hold another stockholder meeting prior to the Extended Date in order to seek stockholder approval of a proposed business combination.

We believe that the foregoing charter provision was included to protect Company stockholders from having to sustain their investments for an unreasonably long period if the Company failed to find a suitable business combination in the timeframe contemplated by the charter. We also believe, however, that given the Company's expenditure of time, effort and money on finding a business combination, circumstances warrant providing public stockholders an opportunity to consider a business combination.

The Company believes that given its expenditure of time, effort and money on finding a business combination, circumstances warrant providing public stockholders an opportunity to consider a business combination. Accordingly, the Board is proposing the Extension Amendment Proposal to amend our charter in the form set forth in Annex A hereto to extend the date by which we must (i) consummate a business combination, (ii) cease our operations if we fail to complete such business combination, and (iii) redeem or repurchase 100% of our common stock included as part

of the units sold in our IPO from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019 if the Company has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by September 9, 2019).

### If the Extension Amendment Proposal is Not Approved

The approval of the Extension Amendment is essential to the implementation of our Board's plan to extend the date by which we must consummate our initial business combination. Therefore, our Board will abandon and not implement the Extension Amendment unless our stockholders approve the Extension Amendment Proposal.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and we have not consummated a business combination by June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), we will (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the public shares at a pershare price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding public shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the public stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Company's obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law.

There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to the Company's rights or warrants which will expire worthless in the event we wind up. In the event of a liquidation, our Sponsor will not receive any monies held in the Trust Account as a result of its ownership of the Founder Shares or the Placement Units.

#### If the Extension Amendment Proposal Is Approved

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, the Company will file an amendment to the charter with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware in the form set forth in <u>Annex A</u> hereto to extend the time it has to complete a business combination until the Extended Date. The Company will remain a reporting company under the Exchange Act and its units, common stock, rights and warrants will remain publicly traded. The Company will then continue to work to consummate a business combination by the Extended Date.

Notwithstanding stockholder approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, our Board will retain the right to abandon and not implement the Extension Amendment at any time without any further action by our stockholders.

You are not being asked to vote on a proposed business combination at this time. If the Extension is implemented and you do not elect to redeem your public shares, provided that you are a stockholder on the record date for a meeting to consider a business combination, you will retain the right to vote on a proposed business combination when it is submitted to stockholders and the right to redeem your public shares for cash in the event a business combination is approved and completed or we have not consummated a business combination by the Extended Date.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, and the Extension is implemented, the removal of the Withdrawal Amount from the Trust Account in connection with the Election will reduce the amount held in the Trust Account. The Company cannot predict the amount that will remain in the Trust Account if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, and the amount remaining in the Trust Account may be only a small fraction of the approximately \$66,326,749\$ that was in the Trust Account as of March 31, 2019. We will not proceed with the Extension if redemptions or repurchases of our public shares cause us to have less than \$5,000,001 of net tangible assets (which would occur if there are redemptions or repurchases of more than 5,521,889 of our public shares) following approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.

#### **Redemption Rights**

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, and the Extension is implemented, each public stockholder may seek to redeem his public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares. Holders of public shares who do not elect to redeem their public shares in connection

with the Extension will retain the right to redeem their public shares in connection with any stockholder vote to approve a proposed business combination, or if the Company has not consummated a business combination by the Extended Date.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, our Sponsor or its designees has agreed to loan to us \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019, and on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of each subsequent month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an initial business combination from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) until the Extended Date (the "Loans"). Given the longer period of time needed to potentially complete a business combination, such agreement to pay \$0.0225 for each public share that is not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019 shall replace and supersede the previous agreement to loan us \$0.03 for each public share that was not redeemed for each calendar month commencing on June 7, 2019. For example, if the Company takes until December 7, 2019 to complete its business combination, which would represent six calendar months from June 7, 2019, our Sponsor or its designees would make aggregate Loans of approximately \$0.135 per public share that is not redeemed. Assuming the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, each Loan will be deposited in the Trust Account within three calendar days from the beginning of such calendar month (or portion thereof). Accordingly, if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Extension is implemented and the Company takes the full time through the Extended Date to complete the initial business combination, the redemption amount per share at the meeting for such business combination or the Company's subsequent liquidation will be approximately \$10.535 per share, in comparison to the current redemption amount of \$10.40 per share (assuming no public shares were redeemed). The Loans are conditioned upon the implementation of the Extension Amendment. The Loans will not occur if the Extension Amendment is not approved or the Extension is not completed. The amount of the Loans will not bear interest and will be repayable by us to our Sponsor or its designees upon consummation of an initial business combination. If our Sponsor or its designees advises us that it does not intend to make the Loans, then the Extension Amendment and the Adjournment Proposal will not be put before the shareholders at the Special Meeting and we will dissolve and liquidate in accordance with our charter. Our Sponsor or its designees will have the sole discretion whether to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months until the Extended Date and if our Sponsor determines not to continue extending Loans for additional calendar months, its obligation to make the Loans following such determination will terminate.

TO EXERCISE YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHTS, YOU MUST AFFIRMATIVELY VOTE EITHER "FOR" OR "AGAINST" THE EXTENSION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL, CHECK THE BOX ON THE PROXY CARD PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS PROVIDED, SUBMIT A REQUEST IN WRITING THAT WE REDEEM YOUR PUBLIC SHARES FOR CASH TO CONTINENTAL STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY AT THE ADDRESS BELOW, AND, AT THE SAME TIME, ENSURE YOUR BANK OR BROKER COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS IDENTIFIED ELSEWHERE HEREIN, INCLUDING DELIVERING YOUR SHARES TO THE TRANSFER AGENT PRIOR TO THE VOTE ON THE EXTENSION AMENDMENT.

In connection with tendering your shares for redemption, prior to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on June3, 2019 (two business days before the Special Meeting), you must elect either to physically tender your stock certificates to Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, the Company's transfer agent, at Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, 1 State Street Plaza, 30<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10004, Attn: Mark Zimkind, mzimkind@continentalstock.com, or to deliver your shares to the transfer agent electronically using DTC's DWAC system, which election would likely be determined based on the manner in which you hold your shares. The requirement for physical or electronic delivery prior to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on June 3, 2019 (two business days before the Special Meeting) ensures that a redeeming holder's election is irrevocable once the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved. In furtherance of such irrevocable election, stockholders making the election will not be able to tender their shares after the vote at the Special Meeting.

Through the DWAC system, this electronic delivery process can be accomplished by the stockholder, whether or not it is a record holder or its shares are held in "street name," by contacting the transfer agent or its broker and requesting delivery of its shares through the DWAC system. Delivering shares physically may take significantly longer. In order to obtain a physical stock certificate, a stockholder's broker and/or clearing broker, DTC, and the Company's transfer agent will need to act together to facilitate this request. There is a nominal cost associated with the above-referenced tendering process and the act of certificating the shares or delivering them through the DWAC system. The transfer agent will typically charge the tendering broker \$45 and the broker would determine whether or

not to pass this cost on to the redeeming holder. It is the Company's understanding that stockholders should generally allot at least two weeks to obtain physical certificates from the transfer agent. The Company does not have any control over this process or over the brokers or DTC, and it may take longer than two weeks to obtain a physical stock certificate. Such stockholders will have less time to make their investment decision than those stockholders that deliver their shares through the DWAC system. Stockholders who request physical stock certificates and wish to redeem may be unable to meet the deadline for tendering their shares before exercising their redemption rights and thus will be unable to redeem their shares.

Certificates that have not been tendered in accordance with these procedures prior to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on June 3, 2019 (two business days before the Special Meeting) will not be redeemed for cash held in the Trust Account on the redemption date. In the event that a public stockholder tenders its shares and decides prior to the vote at the Special Meeting that it does not want to redeem its shares, the stockholder may withdraw the tender. If you delivered your shares for redemption to our transfer agent and decide prior to the vote at the Special Meeting not to redeem your public shares, you may request that our transfer agent return the shares (physically or electronically). You may make such request by contacting our transfer agent at the address listed above. In the event that a public stockholder tenders shares and the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved, these shares will not be redeemed and the physical certificates representing these shares will be returned to the stockholder promptly following the determination that the Extension Amendment Proposal will not be approved. The Company anticipates that a public stockholder who tenders shares for redemption in connection with the vote to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal would receive payment of the redemption price for such shares soon after the completion of the Extension Amendment. The transfer agent will hold the certificates of public stockholders that make the election until such shares are redeemed for cash or returned to such stockholders.

If properly demanded, the Company will redeem each public share for a pershare price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares. Based upon the current amount in the Trust Account, the Company anticipates that the per-share price at which public shares will be redeemed from cash held in the Trust Account will be approximately \$10.40 at the time of the Special Meeting. The closing price of the Company's common stock on May 16, 2019 was \$10.46.

If you exercise your redemption rights, you will be exchanging your shares of the Company's common stock for cash and will no longer own the shares. You will be entitled to receive cash for these shares only if you properly demand redemption and tender your stock certificate(s) to the Company's transfer agent prior to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on June 3, 2019 (two business days before the Special Meeting). The Company anticipates that a public stockholder who tenders shares for redemption in connection with the vote to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal would receive payment of the redemption price for such shares soon after the completion of the Extension Amendment.

# UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following discussion is a summary of certain United States federal income tax considerations for holders of our common stock with respect to the exercise of redemption rights in connection with the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal. This summary is based upon the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which we refer to as the "Code", the regulations promulgated by the U.S. Treasury Department, current administrative interpretations and practices of the Internal Revenue Service, which we refer to as the "IRS", and judicial decisions, all as currently in effect and all of which are subject to differing interpretations or to change, possibly with retroactive effect. No assurance can be given that the IRS would not assert, or that a court would not sustain a position contrary to any of the tax considerations described below. This summary does not discuss all aspects of United States federal income taxation that may be important to particular investors in light of their individual circumstances, such as investors subject to special tax rules (e.g., financial institutions, insurance companies, mutual funds, pension plans, S corporations, broker-dealers, traders in securities that elect mark-to-market treatment, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, trusts and estates, partnerships and their partners, and tax-exempt organizations (including private foundations)) and investors that will hold common stock as part of a "straddle," "hedge," "conversion," "synthetic security," "constructive ownership transaction," "constructive sale," or other integrated transaction for United States federal income tax purposes, investors subject to the alternative minimum tax provisions of the Code, U.S. Holders (as defined below) that have a functional currency other than the United States dollar, U.S. expatriates, investors that actually or constructively own 5 percent or more of the common stock of the Company, and Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below, and except as otherwise discussed below), all of whom may be subject to tax rules that differ materially from those summarized below. In addition, this summary does not discuss any state, local, or non-United States tax considerations, any non-income tax (such as gift or estate tax) considerations, alternative minimum tax or the Medicare tax. In addition, this summary is limited to investors that hold our common stock as "capital assets" (generally, property held for investment) under the Code.

If a partnership (including an entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes) holds our common stock, the tax treatment of a partner in such partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner, the activities of the partnership and certain determinations made at the partner level. If you are a partner of a partnership holding our common stock, you are urged to consult your tax advisor regarding the tax consequences of a redemption.

WE URGE HOLDERS OF OUR COMMON STOCK CONTEMPLATING EXERCISE OF THEIR REDEMPTION RIGHTS TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, AND FOREIGN INCOME AND OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES THEREOF.

### U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to U.S. Holders

This section is addressed to U.S. Holders of our common stock that elect to have their common stock of the Company redeemed for cash. For purposes of this discussion, a "U.S. Holder" is a beneficial owner that so redeems its common stock of the Company and is:

- an individual who is a United States citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation (including an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;
- an estate the income of which is includible in gross income for United States federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or
- a trust (A) the administration of which is subject to the primary supervision of a United States court and which has one or more United States persons (within the meaning of the Code) who have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (B) that has in effect a valid election under applicable Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person.

#### Redemption of Common Stock

In the event that a U.S. Holder's common stock of the Company is redeemed, the treatment of the transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on whether the redemption qualifies as a sale of the common stock under

Section 302 of the Code. Whether the redemption qualifies for sale treatment will depend largely on the total number of shares of our stock treated as held by the U.S. Holder (including any stock constructively owned by the U.S. Holder as a result of owning warrants) relative to all of our shares both before and after the redemption. The redemption of common stock generally will be treated as a sale of the common stock (rather than as a distribution) if the redemption (i) is "substantially disproportionate" with respect to the U.S. Holder, (ii) results in a "complete termination" of the U.S. Holder's interest in us or (iii) is "not essentially equivalent to a dividend" with respect to the U.S. Holder. These tests are explained more fully below.

In determining whether any of the foregoing tests are satisfied, a U.S. Holder takes into account not only stock actually owned by the U.S. Holder, but also shares of our stock that are constructively owned by it. A U.S. Holder may constructively own, in addition to stock owned directly, stock owned by certain related individuals and entities in which the U.S. Holder has an interest or that have an interest in such U.S. Holder, as well as any stock the U.S. Holder has a right to acquire by exercise of an option, which would generally include common stock which could be acquired pursuant to the exercise of the warrants. In order to meet the substantially disproportionate test, the percentage of our outstanding voting stock actually and constructively owned by the U.S. Holder immediately following the redemption of common stock must, among other requirements, be less than 80% of our outstanding voting stock actually and constructively owned by the U.S. Holder immediately before the redemption. There will be a complete termination of a U.S. Holder's interest if either (i) all of the shares of our stock actually and constructively owned by the U.S. Holder are redeemed or (ii) all of the shares of our stock actually owned by the U.S. Holder are redeemed and the U.S. Holder is eligible to waive, and effectively waives in accordance with specific rules, the attribution of stock owned by certain family members and the U.S. Holder does not constructively own any other stock. The redemption of the common stock will not be essentially equivalent to a dividend if a U.S. Holder's conversion results in a "meaningful reduction" of the U.S. Holder's proportionate interest in us. Whether the redemption will result in a meaningful reduction in a U.S. Holder's proportionate interest in us will depend on the particular facts and circumstances. However, the IRS has indicated in a published ruling that even a small reduction in the proportionate interest of a small minority stockholder in a publicly held corporation who exercises no control over corporate affairs may constitute such a "meaningful reduction."

If none of the foregoing tests are satisfied, then the redemption will be treated as a distribution and the tax effects will be as described below under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to U.S. Holders — Taxation of Distributions."

U.S. Holders of our common stock considering exercising their redemption rights should consult their own tax advisors as to whether the redemption of their common stock of the Company will be treated as a sale or as a distribution under the Code.

### Gain or Loss on a Redemption of Common Stock Treated as a Sale

If the redemption qualifies as a sale of common stock, a U.S. Holder must treat any gain or loss recognized as capital gain or loss. Any such capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder's holding period for the common stock so disposed of exceeds one year. Generally, a U.S. Holder will recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between (i) the amount of cash received in such redemption (or, if the common stock is held as part of a unit at the time of the disposition, the portion of the amount realized on such disposition that is allocated to the common stock based upon the then fair market values of the common stock and the warrant included in the unit) and (ii) the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in its common stock generally will equal the U.S. Holder's acquisition cost (that is, the portion of the purchase price of a unit allocated to a share of common stock or the U.S. Holder's initial basis for common stock received upon exercise of a warrant) less any prior distributions treated as a return of capital. Long-term capital gain realized by a non-corporate U.S. Holder generally will be taxable at a reduced rate. The deduction of capital losses is subject to limitations.

### Taxation of Distributions

If the redemption does not qualify as a sale of common stock, the U.S. Holder will be treated as receiving a distribution. In general, any distributions to U.S. Holders generally will constitute dividends for United States federal income tax purposes to the extent paid from our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under United States federal income tax principles. Distributions in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits will constitute a return of capital that will be applied against and reduce (but not below zero) the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in our common stock. Any remaining excess will be treated as gain realized on the sale or other

disposition of the common stock and will be treated as described under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to U.S. Holders — Gain or Loss on a Redemption of Common Stock Treated as a Sale". Dividends we pay to a U.S. Holder that is a taxable corporation generally will qualify for the dividends received deduction if the requisite holding period is satisfied. With certain exceptions, and provided certain holding period requirements are met, dividends we pay to a non-corporate U.S. Holder generally will constitute "qualified dividends" that will be taxable at a reduced rate.

### U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to Non-U.S. Holders

This section is addressed to Non-U.S. Holders of our common stock that elect to have their common stock of the Company redeemed for cash. For purposes of this discussion, a "Non-U.S. Holder" is a beneficial owner (other than a partnership) that so redeems its common stock of the Company and is not a U.S. Holder.

#### Redemption of Common Stock

The characterization for United States federal income tax purposes of the redemption of a NonU.S. Holder's common stock generally will correspond to the United States federal income tax characterization of such a redemption of a U.S. Holder's common stock, as described under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to U.S. Holders".

Non-U.S. Holders of our common stock considering exercising their redemption rights should consult their own tax advisors as to whether the redemption of their common stock of the Company will be treated as a sale or as a distribution under the Code.

### Gain or Loss on a Redemption of Common Stock Treated as a Sale

If the redemption qualifies as a sale of common stock, a Non-U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to United States federal income or withholding tax in respect of gain recognized on a sale of its common stock of the Company, unless:

- the gain is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business by the Non-U.S. Holder within the United States (and, under certain income tax treaties, is attributable to a United States permanent establishment or fixed base maintained by the Non-U.S. Holder), in which case the Non-U.S. Holder will generally be subject to the same treatment as a U.S. Holder with respect to the redemption, and a corporate Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to the branch profits tax at a 30% rate (or lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty);
- the Non-U.S. Holder is an individual who is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year in which the redemption takes place and certain other conditions are met, in which case the Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to a 30% tax on the individual's net capital gain for the year; or
- we are or have been a "U.S. real property holding corporation" for United States federal income tax purposes at any time during the shorter of the five-year period ending on the date of disposition or the period that the Non-U.S. Holder held our common stock, and, in the case where shares of our common stock are regularly traded on an established securities market, the Non-U.S. Holder has owned, directly or constructively, more than 5% of our common stock at any time within the shorter of the five-year period preceding the disposition or such Non-U.S. Holder's holding period for the shares of our common stock. We do not believe we are or have been a U.S. real property holding corporation.

#### Taxation of Distributions

If the redemption does not qualify as a sale of common stock, the U.S. Holder will be treated as receiving a distribution. In general, any distributions we make to a Non-U.S. Holder of shares of our common stock, to the extent paid out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits (as determined under United States federal income tax principles), will constitute dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes and, provided such dividends are not effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States, we will be required to withhold tax from the gross amount of the dividend at a rate of 30%, unless such Non-U.S. Holder is eligible for a reduced rate of withholding tax under an applicable income tax treaty and provides proper certification of its eligibility for such reduced rate. Any distribution not constituting a dividend will be treated first as reducing (but not below zero) the Non-U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in its shares of our common stock and, to the extent such distribution exceeds the Non-U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis, as gain realized from the sale or other disposition

of the common stock, which will be treated as described under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to Non-U.S. Holders — Gain on Sale, Taxable Exchange or Other Taxable Disposition of Common Stock". Dividends we pay to a Non-U.S. Holder that are effectively connected with such Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States generally will not be subject to United States withholding tax, provided such Non-U.S. Holder complies with certain certification and disclosure requirements. Instead, such dividends generally will be subject to United States federal income tax, net of certain deductions, at the same graduated individual or corporate rates applicable to U.S. Holders (subject to an exemption or reduction in such tax as may be provided by an applicable income tax treaty). If the Non-U.S. Holder is a corporation, dividends that are effectively connected income may also be subject to a "branch profits tax" at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty).

### Taxation of Common Stock Held Through Foreign Accounts

A 30% withholding tax applies with respect to certain payments on, and gross proceeds from a sale or disposition of, our common stock in each case if paid to a foreign financial institution or a non-financial foreign entity (including, in some cases, when such foreign financial institution or entity is acting as an intermediary), unless (i) in the case of a foreign financial institution, such institution enters into an agreement with the U.S. government to withhold on certain payments, and to collect and provide to the U.S. tax authorities substantial information regarding U.S. account holders of such institution (which includes certain equity and debt holders of such institution, as well as certain account holders that are foreign entities with U.S. owners), (ii) in the case of a non-financial foreign entity, such entity certifies that it does not have any substantial U.S. owners or provides the withholding agent with a certification identifying the direct and indirect substantial U.S. owners of the entity, or (iii) the foreign financial institution or non-financial foreign entity of such are certain circumstances, a holder might be eligible for refunds or credits of such taxes. An intergovernmental agreement between the United States and an applicable foreign country or future Treasury Regulations may modify these requirements.

Non-U.S. Holders are encouraged to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of such withholding tax.

As previously noted above, the foregoing discussion of certain material U.S. federal income tax consequences is included for general information purposes only and is not intended to be, and should not be construed as, legal or tax advice to any stockholder. We once again urge you to consult with your own tax adviser to determine the particular tax consequences to you (including the application and effect of any U.S. federal, state, local or foreign income or other tax laws) of the receipt of cash in exchange for shares in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal.

# THE SPECIAL MEETING

# Overview

*Date, Time and Place*. The Special Meeting of the Company's stockholders will be held at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time on June 5, 2019 at the offices of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., located at 666 Third Avenue, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10017.

*Voting Power; Record Date.* You will be entitled to vote or direct votes to be cast at the Special Meeting, if you owned the Company's common stock at the close of business on May 15, 2019, the record date for the Special Meeting. You will have one vote per proposal for each share of Company common stock you owned at that time. The Company rights and warrants do not carry voting rights.

*Votes Required*. Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal will require the affirmative vote of holders of at least 65% of the Company's common stock outstanding on the record date, including the Founder Shares and shares underlying the Private Units. If you do not vote or you abstain from voting on a proposal, your action will have the same effect as an "AGAINST" vote. Broker non-votes will have the same effect as "AGAINST" votes.

At the close of business on the record date of the Special Meeting, there were 9,748,977 outstanding shares of the Company's common stock, each of which entitles its holder to cast one vote per proposal.

If you do not want the Extension Amendment Proposal approved, you must abstain, not vote, or vote "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment. You will be entitled to redeem your public shares for cash in connection with this vote only if you vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Extension Amendment Proposal and elect to redeem your public shares for a pro rata portion of the funds available in the Trust Account in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal. If you abstain from voting on the Extension Amendment Proposal, then you will not be eligible to redeem your public shares. The Company anticipates that a public stockholder who tenders shares for redemption in connection with the vote to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal would receive payment of the redemption price for such shares soon after the completion of the Extension Amendment Proposal.

*Proxies; Board Solicitation; Proxy Solicitor.* Your proxy is being solicited by the Board on the proposals being presented to stockholders at the Special Meeting. The Company has engaged Advantage Proxy to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the Special Meeting. No recommendation is being made as to whether you should elect to redeem your public shares. Proxies may be solicited in person or by telephone. If you grant a proxy, you may still revoke your proxy and vote your shares in person at the Special Meeting if you are a holder of record of the Company's common stock. You may contact Advantage Proxy at (877) 870-8565 (toll free) or by email at ksmith@advantageproxy.com.

### **Required Vote**

The affirmative vote by holders of at least 65% of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock, including the Founder Shares and shares underlying the Private Units, is required to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal. If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved, the Extension Amendment will not be implemented and the Company will be required by its charter to (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding public shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the public stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Company's obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law. The approval of the Extension Amendment is essential to the implementation of our Board's plan to extend the date by which we must consummate our initial business combination. Therefore, our Board will abandon and not implement such amendment unless our stockholders approve the Extension Amendment Proposal. Notwithstanding stockholder approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, our Board will retain the right to abandon and not implement the Extension Amendment at any time without any further action by our stockholders.

Our Sponsor and all of our directors, executive officers and their affiliates are expected to vote any common stock owned by them in favor of the Extension Amendment. On the record date, our Sponsor, directors and executive officers of the Company and their affiliates beneficially owned and were entitled to vote an aggregate of 3,252,500 shares of the Company's common stock, representing approximately 33.3% of the Company's issued and outstanding shares of common stock. Our Sponsor and our directors, executive officers and their affiliates do not intend to purchase shares of common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions in connection with the stockholder vote on the Extension Amendment.

### Interests of our Sponsor, Directors and Officers

When you consider the recommendation of our Board, you should keep in mind that our Sponsor, executive officers and members of our Board have interests that may be different from, or in addition to, your interests as a stockholder. These interests include, among other things:

- the fact that our Sponsor holds 2,875,000 Founder Shares (purchased for \$25,000) and 377,500
  Placement Units (purchased for approximately \$3.8 million), and our officers and directors own
  membership interests in the Sponsor representing pecuniary interests in such securities, that would
  expire worthless if a business combination is not consummated;
- the fact that, as of March 31, 2019, the Company's outstanding advances from the Sponsor amounting to \$203,030 had been formalized into a promissory note and become convertible into units of the post-Business Combination entity at a price of \$10.00 per unit;
- the fact that, if the Trust Account is liquidated, including in the event we are unable to complete an
  initial business combination within the required time period, the Sponsor has agreed to indemnify us
  to ensure that the proceeds in the Trust Account are not reduced below \$10.10 per public share, or
  such lesser per public share amount as is in the Trust Account on the liquidation date, by the claims
  of prospective target businesses with which we have entered into an acquisition agreement or claims
  of any third party for services rendered or products sold to us, but only if such a third party or target
  business has not executed a waiver of any and all rights to seek access to the Trust Account; and
- the fact that none of our officers or directors has received any cash compensation for services rendered to the Company, and all of the current members of our Board are expected to continue to serve as directors at least through the date of the Special Meeting to vote on a proposed business combination and may even continue to serve following any potential business combination and receive compensation thereafter.

#### The Board's Reasons for the Extension Amendment Proposal and Its Recommendation

As discussed below, after careful consideration of all relevant factors, our Board has determined that the Extension Amendment are in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. Our Board has approved and declared advisable adoption of the Extension Amendment Proposal, and recommends that you vote "FOR" such proposal.

Our charter, as previously amended on March 5, 2019, provides that the Company has until June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June7, 2019) to complete the purposes of the Company including, but not limited to, effecting a business combination under its terms. While we are currently in discussions regarding business combination opportunities, our Board currently believes that there will not be sufficient time before June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to complete a business combination. The Company's IPO prospectus and charter state that if the Company's stockholders approve an amendment to the Company's charter that would affect the substance or timing of the Company's obligation to redeem 100% of the Company's public shares if it does not complete a business combination before June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), the Company will provide its public stockholders with the opportunity to redeem all or a portion of their public shares upon such approval at a per share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares. We believe that this charter provision was included to protect the Company stockholders from having to sustain their investments for an unreasonably long period if the Company failed to find a suitable business combination in the timeframe contemplated by the charter.

In addition, the Company's IPO prospectus and charter provide that the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 65% of all outstanding shares of common stock, including the Founder Shares and shares underlying the Private Units, is required to extend our corporate existence, except in connection with, and effective upon the consummation of, a business combination. We believe that, given the Company's expenditure of time, effort and money on the potential business combination, circumstances warrant providing public stockholders an opportunity to consider a business combination. Because we continue to believe that a business combination would be in the best interests of our stockholders and because we will not be able to conclude a business combination within the permitted time period, the Board has determined to seek stockholder approval to extend the date by which we have to complete a business combination beyond June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to the Extended Date.

The Company is not asking you to vote on any proposed business combination at this time. If the Extension is implemented and you do not elect to redeem your public shares, you will retain the right to vote on any proposed business combination in the future and the right to redeem your public shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable), divided by the number of then outstanding public shares, in the event a business combination is approved and completed or the Company has not consummated another business combination by the Extended Date.

After careful consideration of all relevant factors, the Board determined that the Extension Amendment is in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders.

Our Board unanimously recommends that our stockholders vote "FOR" the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.

# THE ADJOURNMENT PROPOSAL

# Overview

The Adjournment Proposal, if adopted, will allow our Board to adjourn the Special Meeting to a later date or dates to permit further solicitation of proxies. The Adjournment Proposal will only be presented to our stockholders in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal. In no event will our Board adjourn the Special Meeting beyond June 7, 2019 unless it has entered into a definitive agreement for a business combination.

# Consequences if the Adjournment Proposal is Not Approved

If the Adjournment Proposal is not approved by our stockholders, our Board may not be able to adjourn the Special Meeting to a later date in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.

# Vote Required for Approval

The approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires the affirmative vote of the majority of the votes cast by stockholders represented in person or by proxy at the Special Meeting. Accordingly, if a valid quorum is otherwise established, a stockholder's failure to vote by proxy or in person at the Special Meeting will have no effect on the outcome of any vote on the Adjournment Proposal. Abstentions will be counted in connection with the determination of whether a valid quorum is established but will have no effect on the outcome of the Adjournment Proposal.

### **Recommendation of the Board**

Our Board unanimously recommends that our stockholders vote "FOR" the approval of the Adjournment Proposal.

# **BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

The following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of the Company's common stock as of the record date based on information obtained from the persons named below, with respect to the beneficial ownership of shares of the Company's common stock, by:

- each person known by us to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of our outstanding shares of common stock;
- · each of our executive officers and directors that beneficially owns shares of common stock; and
- all our officers and directors as a group.

As of the record date, there were a total of 9,748,977 shares of common stock outstanding. Unless otherwise indicated, all persons named in the table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock beneficially owned by them.

	Common Stock	
Name and Address of Beneficial Owner <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	% of Class
KBL IV Sponsor LLC <sup>(2)</sup>	3,252,500	33.3%
Marlene Krauss, M.D. <sup>(2)</sup>	3,252,500	33.3%
Joseph Williamson <sup>(3)</sup>	_	—
George Hornig <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—
Andrew Sherman <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—
Sherrill Neff <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—
Boothbay Fund Management, LLC <sup>(4)</sup>	865,963	8.9%
OxFORD Asset Management LLP <sup>(5)</sup>	1,140,320	11.7%
Weiss Asset Management LP <sup>(6)</sup>	1,162,038	11.9%
All executive officers and directors as a group (5 individuals)	3,252,500	33.3%

Less than 1 percent.

<sup>(1)</sup> Unless otherwise noted, the business address of each of the following entities or individuals is 527 Stanton Christiana Rd., Newark, DE 19713.

<sup>(2)</sup> These shares represent the Founder Shares and shares underlying Private Units held by our sponsor. Dr. Marlene Krauss, our Chief Executive Officer, is the sole managing member of KBL IV Sponsor LLC. Consequently, she may be deemed the beneficial owner of the Founder Shares and shares underlying Private Units held by our sponsor and has sole voting and dispositive control over such securities. Dr. Krauss disclaims beneficial ownership over any securities owned by our sponsor in which she does not have a pecuniary interest.

<sup>(3)</sup> Does not beneficially own any shares of our common stock. However, he has a pecuniary interest in shares of our common stock through his ownership of membership interests of our sponsor.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based on a Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC on February 14, 2019. Such shares are held by Boothbay Absolute Return Strategies LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "Fund"), which is managed by Boothbay Fund Management, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Adviser"). The Adviser, in its capacity as the investment manager of the Fund, has the power to vote and the power to direct the disposition of all shares held by the Fund. Ari Glass is the Managing Member of the Adviser. The business address of such holders is 810 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 615, New York, NY 10019-5818.

<sup>(5)</sup> Based on a Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC on April 8, 2019, by OxFORD Asset Management LLP ("OxFORD"), the business address of OxFORD is 6 George Street, Oxford, United Kingdom, OX1 2BW. The securities are held for the account of OxAM Quant Fund Limited, a Cayman Islands exempted company ("OxAM"). OxFORD serves as investment adviser to OxAM. In such capacity, OxFORD may be deemed to exercise the voting and dispositive power over the shares held for the account of the OxAM.

<sup>(6)</sup> Based on a Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 1, 2019, Weiss Asset Management LP ("Weiss Asset Management"), WAM GP LLC ("WAM"), and Andrew M. Weiss, Ph.D., share voting and dispositive power over 1,162,038 shares of the Company's common stock. The business address of these reporting persons is 222 Berkeley St., 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02116.

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# STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, we anticipate that the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders will be held no later than December 31, 2019. For any proposal to be considered for inclusion in our proxy statement and form of proxy for submission to the stockholders at our 2019 annual meeting of stockholders, it must be submitted in writing and comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act. Such proposals must be received by the Company at its offices at 527 Stanton Christiana Rd., Newark, Delaware 19713 no later than July 31, 2019.

In addition, our bylaws provide notice procedures for stockholders to nominate a person as a director and to propose business to be considered by stockholders at a meeting. Notice of a nomination or proposal must be delivered to us not less than 90 days and not more than 120 days prior to the date for the preceding year's annual meeting of stockholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within 45 days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so received no earlier than the opening of business on the  $120^{th}$  day before the meeting and not later than the later of (x) the close of business on the  $90^{th}$  day before the meeting or (y) the close of business on the  $10^{th}$  day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the annual meeting is first made by us. Accordingly, for our 2019 annual meeting of stockholders, assuming the meeting is held on or about December 21, 2019, notice of a nomination or proposal must be delivered to us no later than September 22, 2019 and no earlier than August 23, 2019. Nominations and proposals also must satisfy other requirements set forth in the bylaws. The Chairman of the Board may refuse to acknowledge the introduction of any stockholder proposal not made in compliance with the foregoing procedures.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and the Company fails to complete a qualifying business combination on or before June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if we have executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019), there will be no annual meeting in 2019.

# HOUSEHOLDING INFORMATION

Unless we have received contrary instructions, we may send a single copy of this Proxy Statement to any household at which two or more stockholders reside if we believe the stockholders are members of the same family. This process, known as "householding", reduces the volume of duplicate information received at any one household and helps to reduce our expenses. However, if stockholders prefer to receive multiple sets of our disclosure documents at the same address this year or in future years, the stockholder should follow the instructions described below. Similarly, if an address is shared with another stockholder and together both of the stockholders would like to receive only a single set of our disclosure documents, the stockholders should follow these instructions:

- If the shares are registered in the name of the stockholder, the stockholder should contact us at KBL Merger Corp. IV, 527 Stanton Christiana Rd., Newark, DE 19713 or (302) 502-2727, to inform us of his or her request; or
- If a bank, broker or other nominee holds the shares, the stockholder should contact the bank, broker or other nominee directly.

### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC as required by the Exchange Act. You can read the Company's SEC filings, including this Proxy Statement, over the Internet at the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov.

If you would like additional copies of this Proxy Statement or if you have questions about the proposals to be presented at the Special Meeting, you should contact the Company's proxy solicitation agent at the following address and telephone number:

Advantage Proxy, Inc. P.O. Box 13581 Des Moines, WA 98198 Attn: Karen Smith Toll Free: (877) 870-8565 Collect: (206) 870-8565

You may also obtain these documents by requesting them in writing or by telephone from the Company at the following address and telephone number:

KBL Merger Corp. IV 527 Stanton Christiana Rd. Newark, DE 19713 (302) 502-2727

If you are a stockholder of the Company and would like to request documents, please do so by May 25, 2019, in order to receive them before the Special Meeting If you request any documents from us, we will mail them to you by first class mail, or another equally prompt means.

### ANNEX A

### PROPOSED SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF KBL MERGER CORP. IV

### Pursuant to Section 245 of the Delaware General Corporation Law

- 1. The undersigned, being a duly authorized officer of **KBL MERGER CORP. IV** (the "Corporation"), a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, does hereby certify as follows:
- 2. The name of the Corporation is KBL Merger Corp. IV.
- 3. The Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation was filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on September 7, 2016, and an Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation was filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on June 1, 2017. An Amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation was filed in the office of the Secretary of State of Delaware on March 5, 2019.
- 4. This Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation amends the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation.
- 5. This Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of the holders of 65% of the stock entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders in accordance with the provisions of Sections 242 and 245 the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL").
- 6. The text of Section 9.1(b) is hereby amended and restated to read in full as follows:
  - Immediately after the Offering, a certain amount of the net offering proceeds received by the (b) Corporation in the Offering (including the proceeds of any exercise of the underwriters' overallotment option) and certain other amounts specified in the Corporation's registration statement on Form S-1, as initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 26, 2017, as amended (the "Registration Statement"), shall be deposited in a trust account (the 'Trust Account"), established for the benefit of the Public Stockholders (as defined below) pursuant to a trust agreement described in the Registration Statement. Except for the withdrawal of interest to pay taxes, none of the funds held in the Trust Account (including the interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account) will be released from the Trust Account until the earliest of (i) the completion of the initial Business Combination, (ii) the redemption of 100% of the Offering Shares (as defined below) if the Corporation is unable to complete its initial Business Combination by September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019 if the Corporation has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by September 9, 2019) and (iii) the redemption of shares in connection with a vote seeking to amend any provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate relating to stockholders' rights or pre-Business Combination activity (as described in Section 9.7), with it being understood that funds held in the Trust Account may be released to fund the first to occur of such transactions. Holders of shares of the Corporation's Common Stock included as part of the units sold in the Offering (the "Offering Shares") (whether such Offering Shares were purchased in the Offering or in the secondary market following the Offering and whether or not such holders are affiliates of KBL Sponsor LLC (the "Sponsor") or officers or directors of the Corporation) are referred to herein as "Public Stockholders."
- 7. The text of Section 9.2(d) is hereby amended and restated to read in full as follows:
  - (d) In the event that the Corporation has not consummated a Business Combination by September9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019 if the Corporation has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by September 9, 2019), the Corporation shall (i) cease all operations except for the sole purpose of winding up, (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter redeem the

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Offering Shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest (which interest shall be net of taxes payable and less up to \$50,000 of such net interest to pay dissolution expenses), by (B) the total number of then outstanding Offering Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish rights of the Public Stockholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any) and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining stockholders and the Board in accordance with applicable law, dissolve and liquidate, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above to the Corporation's obligations under the DGCL to provide for claims of creditors and other requirements of applicable law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation this <u>day of June</u>, 2019.

KBL MERGER CORP. IV

By:

Name: Marlene Krauss, M.D.

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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# **KBL MERGER CORP. IV**

# THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON

### JUNE 5, 2019

The undersigned, revoking any previous proxies relating to these shares with respect to the Extension Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal hereby acknowledges receipt of the notice and Proxy Statement, dated May 20, 2019, in connection with the Special Meeting of stockholders to be held at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time on June 5, 2019 at the offices of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., located at 666 Third Avenue, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10017, for the sole purpose of considering and voting upon the following proposals, and hereby appoints Marlene Krauss, M.D. and Joseph A. Williamson, and each of them (with full power to act alone), the attorneys and proxies of the undersigned, with power of substitution to each, to vote all shares of the common stock of the Company registered in the name provided, which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Special Meeting of stockholders, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would have if personally present. Without limiting the general authorization hereby given, said proxies are, and each of them is, instructed to vote or act as follows on the proposals set forth in this Proxy Statement.

THIS PROXY, WHEN EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED "FOR" PROPOSAL 1 AND PROPOSAL 2 CONSTITUTING THE EXTENSION AMENDMENT AND THE ADJOURNMENT PROPOSAL.

PLEASE MARK, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD PROMPTLY. (Continued and to be marked, dated and signed on reverse side) Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Special Meeting of Stockholders to be held on June 5, 2019:

This notice of meeting and the accompanying Proxy Statement are available at https://www.cstproxy.com/kblmerger/2019.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" PROPOSAL 1 AND PROPOSAL 2.			Please mark votes as indicated in this example	
Proposal 1 — Extension of Corporate Life	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	
Amend the Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation to extend the date that the Company has to consummate a business combination from June 7, 2019 (or September 9, 2019 if the Company has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by June 7, 2019) to September 9, 2019 (or December 9, 2019 if the Corporation has executed a definitive agreement for a business combination by September 9, 2019) or such earlier date as determined by the Board.				
Proposal 2 — Adjournment	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	
Adjourn the Special Meeting of stockholders to a later date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of Proposal 1.				

You may exercise your redemption rights by marking the "Exercise Redemption Rights" box below. If you exercise your redemption rights, then you will be exchanging your public shares of the common stock of the Company for cash and you will no longer own such public shares. YOU WILL ONLY BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE CASH FOR THOSE PUBLIC SHARES IF YOU TENDER YOUR STOCK CERTIFICATES REPRESENTING SUCH REDEEMED PUBLIC SHARES TO THE COMPANY'S DULY APPOINTED AGENT PRIOR TO THE VOTE AT SUCH MEETING.

# EXERCISE REDEMPTION RIGHTS $\Box$

Date:	, 2019		
Signature			
Signature (if held jointly)		 	

Signature should agree with name printed hereon. If stock is held in the name of more than one person, EACH joint owner should sign. Executors, administrators, trustees, guardians and attorneys should indicate the capacity in which they sign. Attorneys should submit powers of attorney.

PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY IN THE ENVELOPE ENCLOSED TO CONTINENTAL STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY. THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN BY THE ABOVESIGNED STOCKHOLDER. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED "FOR" THE PROPOSALS SET FORTH IN PROPOSAL 1 AND PROPOSAL 2. THIS PROXY WILL REVOKE ALL PRIOR PROXIES SIGNED BY YOU.