Proxy Voting

As fractional owners of businesses, one of Burgundy's core investment principles is ensuring that corporate decisions are made with the long-term interests of shareholders in mind. Proxy voting is an important stewardship tool, and we consider it part of the ongoing dialogue we have with the companies in which we invest. We take our proxy voting responsibilities very seriously and vote on all proxies over which we have voting authority in the best interests of our clients.

This year, we created a new Stewardship Policy (see page 34), which describes how we use our stewardship tools, such as engagement and proxy voting, to preserve and grow our clients' capital over the long term. We also have a <u>Proxy Voting Policy</u> \bigcirc , which

describes how proxy voting is conducted, and a set of Proxy Voting Guidelines that provide a framework for Portfolio Managers to follow when voting.

For the year ended June 2023, we voted on over 4,000 proposals across the regions in which we invest. Of these, 107 were shareholder-initiated environmental and social proposals. We voted in favour of 24% of these. Other topics we voted on include management compensation, board appointments, mergers and acquisitions, and capital structure. As has always been the case, our Portfolio Managers decide on how to vote on every proposal after carefully assessing whether it would lead to long-term shareholder value creation. Figure 1 shows the regional distribution of our voting activity.



FIGURE 1 Proposals Voted by Region*

*For the year ended June 30, 2023.

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