Ballot statement from Ray Updyke, CFA

I have been a CFA Society New York member and volunteer for over five years. I have primarily been involved in the Young Leaders Group (YLG) where I currently serve as vice chair. I have volunteered as a panelist for speed networking sessions with local college students and have both led and served as a mentor for the Level II exam mentorship program. I have assisted with other volunteer events for YLG, as well. Over the years, I have helped prospective and current charterholders find jobs in our community and I have provided individualized resume advice. I have intensively mentored numerous candidates on their journey toward the CFA charter.

I hope to focus on two areas if elected to the Board of CFA Society New York — an expansion of in-person networking events for current charterholders and an increased focus on broader event topics to increase the attendance of current charterholders at our events.

Outside of my involvement in CFA Society New York, I lead the operations, finance, and compliance functions for Alpaca VC. Before joining Alpaca, I was the CFO and CCO of Ampfield Management, an investment management firm. Prior to Ampfield, I worked at Jefferies Financial Group. I graduated from the University of Maine with a BS in Business Administration and most recently, graduated from the University of Connecticut with a MS in Accounting. I am also a Certified Public Accountant.

I am associated with various venture capital industry groups including the NYCEDC Venture Access Alliance, StartOut, and Gaingels. In my spare time, I enjoy running in Midtown West, Central Park, and along the West Side Highway.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to helping in any way I am able.