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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

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ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

2022 Special Meeting
Vote by August 3, 2022
11:59 PM ET



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August 4, 2022
2:00 PM Eastern Time

Virtually at:
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Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. To authorize the Company, with the approval of its board of directors, to sell or otherwise issue shares of its common stock at a price below its then current net asset value per share subject to the limitations set forth in the proxy statement for the special meeting of stockholders (including, without limitation, that the number of shares issued does not exceed 25% of the Company's then outstanding common stock).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For

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