

## Vote for Change at The Walt Disney Company

The Walt Disney Company is the most advantaged consumer entertainment company in the world and should have had a "winning hand" in today's evolving consumer entertainment landscape.

## But instead, Disney lost its way:

- Disney fell from its envied #1 place at the box office and in animation, belatedly entered the streaming business and acquired additional linear TV networks at the wrong time<sup>3</sup>
- Consequently, financial performance has deteriorated, with nearly every relevant metric worse in FY 2023 than five years ago<sup>4</sup>
- Shareholders have suffered greatly: absolute and relative total shareholder return has been poor<sup>5</sup> and shareholders have lost tens of billions of dollars<sup>6</sup>

We believe the root cause of Disney's underperformance is poor oversight from a Board that lacks focus, alignment and accountability.

This year's Annual Meeting represents a critical opportunity for shareholders to vote to strengthen Disney's future. Trian has nominated Nelson Peltz and Jay Rasulo to the Board. They will bring highly relevant experience, a shareholder mindset and a much-needed sense of urgency to Disney's boardroom.

To ensure the election of Nelson Peltz and Jay Rasulo, it is essential that shareholders vote "FOR" Nelson Peltz and Jay Rasulo, and "WITHHOLD" on Michael B.G. Froman, Maria Elena Lagomasino, and all three Blackwells Nominees.

Vote using the enclosed **BLUE** proxy card.

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## ENDNOTES

- <sup>1</sup> Variety article titled "Universal Overtakes Disney as Highest-Grossing Studio at 2023 Box Office," by Rebecca Rubin published 1/2/24; and Variety article titled "Disney's Harsh New Reality: Costly Film Flops, Creative Struggles and a Shrinking Global Box Office," by Rebecca Rubin, Brent Lang published 07/05/23
- <sup>2</sup> Netflix launched a digital streaming service in 2007, but Disney did not launch Disney+ until 2019.
- <sup>3</sup> In 2019, Disney acquired Fox for \$71 billion and ~67% of Fox's pro forma EBITDA was generated from linear TV networks, per a MoffettNathanson estimate that includes FX, National Geographic, and International Cable Channels, but excludes RSNs.
- <sup>4</sup> Operating income, free cash flow and earnings per share have declined by 18%, 50% and 85%, respectively, since 2018. Source: SEC filings. Note: Earnings per Share represents "Diluted EPS from continuing operations".
- $^{\rm 5}$  Disney's total shareholder return ("TSR") (defined as the total return an investor would have received if they purchased one share of stock on the first day of the measured period, inclusive of share price appreciation and dividends paid) through 10/06/23 is negative over the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8-years prior to 10/06/23. 10/06/23 represents the trading day prior to the WSJ article titled "Nelson Peltz Boosts Disney Stake, Seeks Board Seats" by Lauren Thomas and Robbie Whelan reporting on Trian's increased beneficial ownership in Disney shares and expected request for Board representation. Additionally, Disney's TSR vs. the S&P 500 over a 1, 3, 5, and 10 year period is -34%, -66%, -89% and -168%, respectively in such periods prior to 10/06/23. We highlight the S&P 500 here only as a widely recognized index, however, for various reasons the performance of the index and that of the securities mentioned above may not be comparable. One cannot invest directly in an index.
- <sup>6</sup> Disney shareholders have collectively lost over \$200 billion. "Over \$200 billion" represents the cumulative market value lost between Disney's all-time high closing price on 03/08/21 and 10/06/23.