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This is a letter in support of *LTSE Listings on IEX* sent on behalf of Techstars and a selection of its portfolio companies.

Techstars is the worldwide network that helps entrepreneurs succeed. We do this by operating a series of venture funds as well as a series of accelerators across the country and around the world that invests in the world's most promising startups. We have invested in over 1300 companies and have over \$500M of capital under management.

Our feeling, which is shared by the majority of our portfolio companies, is that public companies are constrained by short-term thinking, driven by the need for short-term earnings reporting and results. This short-term thinking stifles innovation by foregoing the right long-term results in exchange for short-term wins. In our view, this is the primary reason that most of the companies that we work with have little interest in going public.

We support a listings venue for long-term focused companies in the public markets because it would encourage more companies to go public.

Respectfully,

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