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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT

COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF "CME SECURITIES

CLEARING INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTY-SECOND DAY

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

CME SECURITIES CLEARING INC.

<u>FIRST</u>: The name of the Corporation is CME Securities Clearing Inc. (hereinafter the "Corporation").

SECOND: The address of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of Delaware is 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, County of New Castle, 19801. The name of its registered agent at that address is The Corporation Trust Company.

THIRD: The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware as set forth in Title 8 of the Delaware Code (as amended from time to time, the "DGCL").

FOURTH: The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 1,000 shares of Common Stock, each having a par value of one cent (\$.01).

FIFTH: The name and mailing address of the Sole Incorporator is as follows:

Name Address

Amy Cornacchia P.O. Box 636

Wilmington, DE 19899

SIXTH: The following provisions are inserted for the management of the business and the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation, and for further definition, limitation and regulation of the powers of the Corporation and of its directors and stockholders:

- (1) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.
- (2) The directors shall have concurrent power with the stockholders to make, alter, amend, change, add to or repeal the by-laws of the Corporation (the "By-Laws").
- (3) The number of directors constituting the Corporation's Board of Directors shall be as from time to time fixed by, or in the manner provided in, the By-Laws. Election of directors need not be by written ballot unless the By-Laws so provide.

- (4) No director shall be personally liable to the Corporation or any of its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) pursuant to Section 174 of the DGCL or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. Any amendment, repeal or modification of this Article SIXTH shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such amendment, repeal or modification with respect to acts or omissions occurring prior to such amendment, repeal or elimination. If the DGCL is amended hereafter to authorize the further elimination or limitation of the liability of directors, then the liability of a director shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent authorized by the DGCL, as so amended.
- (5) In addition to the powers and authority hereinbefore or by statute expressly conferred upon them, the directors are hereby empowered to exercise all such powers and do all such acts and things as may be exercised or done by the Corporation, subject, nevertheless, to the provisions of the DGCL, this Certificate of Incorporation, and the By-Laws; provided, however, that no By-Laws hereafter adopted, amended or repealed by the stockholders shall invalidate any prior act of the directors which would have been valid if such By-Laws had not been adopted, amended or repealed.

<u>SEVENTH</u>: Meetings of stockholders may be held within or without the State of Delaware, as the By-Laws may provide. The books and records of the Corporation may be kept (subject to any provision contained in the DGCL) outside the State of Delaware at such place or places as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors or in the By-Laws.

<u>EIGHTH</u>: The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the Sole Incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the DGCL, do make this Certificate of Incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that this is my act and deed and the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly have hereunto set my hand this 22nd day of March, 2024.

Amy Cornacchia Sole Incorporator

Amy Cornacchia