

Cautionary Statement

A number of statements in this discussion and the responses to questions may constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements about The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation's (the "Corporation," "we," "us," or "our") capital plans including dividends and repurchases, total payout ratio, financial performance, fee revenue, net interest income, expenses, cost discipline, efficiency savings, operating leverage, pre-tax margin, capital ratios, organic growth, pipeline, deposits, interest rates and yield curves, securities portfolio, taxes, investments, including in technology and product development, innovation in products and services, artificial intelligence, digital assets, client experience, strategic priorities and initiatives, acquisitions, related integration and divestiture activity, transition to a platforms operating model, capabilities, resiliency, risk profile, human capital management and the effects of the current and near-term market and macroeconomic outlook on us, including on our business, operations, financial performance and prospects. Preliminary business metrics, NII sensitivity, and regulatory capital ratios are subject to change, possibly materially as we complete our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2025. Forward-looking statements may be expressed in a variety of ways, including the use of future or present tense language. Words such as "estimate," "forecast," "project," "anticipate," "likely," "target," "expect," "intend," "continue," "seek," "believe," "plan," "goal," "could," "should," "would," "may," "might," "will," "strategy," "synergies," "opportunities," "trends," "momentum," "ambition," "aspiration," "objective," "aim," "future," "potentially," "outlook" and words of similar meaning may signify forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future results or occurrences, are inherently uncertain and are based upon current beliefs and expectations of future events, many of which are, by their nature, difficult to predict, outside of our control and subject to change.

By identifying these statements for you in this manner, we are alerting you to the possibility that our actual results may differ, possibly materially, from the anticipated results expressed or implied in these forward-looking statements as a result of a number of important factors. These factors include: tariff and other trade policies and the resulting impacts on market volatility and global trade; growing fiscal deficits; changing levels of inflation and the corresponding impacts on macroeconomic conditions, client behavior and our funding costs; liquidity and interest rate volatility; potential recessions or slowing of growth in the U.S., Europe and other regions; developments in the Middle East and in Latin America; political uncertainty regarding operational and policy changes at U.S. government agencies; our ability to execute against our strategic initiatives; and the risk factors and other uncertainties set forth in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended Dec. 31, 2024 (the "2024 Annual Report") and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

Forward-looking statements about the timing, profitability, benefits and other prospective aspects of business and expense initiatives, our financial outlook, our medium-term financial targets and our long-term strategy, and how they can be achieved, are based on our current expectations regarding our ability to execute against our strategic initiatives, as well as our balance sheet size and composition, and may change, possibly materially, from what is currently expected. Statements about our outlook on total revenue are subject to various factors, including market levels, client activity, our ability to win and onboard new business, lost business, pricing pressure, our ability to launch new products to, and expand relationships with, existing clients, interest rates, re-investment yields and the size, mix and duration of our balance sheet, including with respect to deposits, loan balances and the securities portfolio. Statements about our outlook on expenses are subject to various factors, including investments, revenue-related expenses, efficiency savings, merit increases, inflation and currency fluctuations. Statements about our target Tier 1 leverage ratio and CET1 ratio are subject to various factors, including capital requirements, interest rates, capital levels, risk-weighted assets and the size of our balance sheet, including deposit levels. Statements about the timing, manner and amount of any future common stock dividends or repurchases are subject to various factors, including our capital position, capital deployment opportunities, prevailing market conditions, legal and regulatory considerations and our outlook for the economic environment. Statements about our future effective tax rate are subject to various factors including, changes in the tax rates applicable to us, changes in our earnings mix, our profitability, the assumptions we have made in forecasting our expected tax rate, the interpretation or application of existing tax statutes and regulations, as well as any corporate tax legislation that may be enacted or any guidance that may be issued by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

You should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statement. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they were made, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after such date or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Non-GAAP Measures. In this discussion and the responses to questions, we may discuss certain non-GAAP measures in detailing our performance, which exclude certain items or otherwise include components that differ from GAAP. We believe these measures are useful to the investment community in analyzing the financial results and trends of ongoing operations. We believe they facilitate comparisons with prior periods and reflect the principal basis on which our management monitors financial performance. Additional disclosures relating to non-GAAP measures are contained in our reports filed with the SEC, including the 2024 Annual Report, the fourth quarter 2025 earnings release and the fourth quarter 2025 financial supplement, which are available at www.bny.com/investorrelations.

Forward-Looking Non-GAAP Financial Measures. In this discussion and the responses to questions, we may discuss forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures, such as forward-looking estimates or targets for total revenue, expenses, pre-tax margin and return on tangible common equity excluding notable items. We are unable to provide a reconciliation of forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures because we are unable to provide, without unreasonable effort, a meaningful or accurate calculation or estimation of amounts that would be necessary for the reconciliation due to the complexity and inherent difficulty in forecasting and quantifying future amounts or when they may occur. Such unavailable information could be significant to future results