

PROXY CARD

**YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT NO MATTER HOW MANY
SHARES YOU OWN. PLEASE CAST YOUR PROXY VOTE
TODAY!**

VOTER PROFILE:

Voter ID: XXXXXXXX

Security ID: XXXXXXXX

Shares to Vote: XXXXXXXX

Household ID: XXXXXXXXXX

***please call the phone number to the right for more information*

VOTER CONTROL NUMBER: XXXX XXXX XXXX

VOTE REGISTERED TO:

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

MEETING AGENDA on Reverse Side

BY INTERNET:

Go to the website below and enter your
VOTER CONTROL NUMBER or simply
scan the QR with a Smart Phone

vote.proxyonline.com



BY PHONE:

Call (888) 227-9349 to reach an automated touch-tone
voting line or call the number below to speak with
a live representative.

(800) 290-6433



BY MAIL:

Complete the reverse side and return in the
postage-paid envelope provided.

USPS Postage-Paid Envelope



"Trust/Company RIC Name Here"

"Fund Name Here"

240 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10286

SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2025

The undersigned shareholder of the BNY Mellon Fund noted above, hereby appoints Jeff Prusnofsky and Sarah S. Kelleher, and each of them, the attorneys and proxies of the undersigned, with full power of substitution, to vote, as indicated herein, all of the shares of beneficial interest/common stock of the Fund standing in the name of the undersigned at the close of business on September 19, 2025, at a Special Meeting of Shareholders to be held over the Internet in a virtual meeting format only at 10:30 a.m., Eastern Time, on Thursday, November 20, 2025, and at any and all postponements or adjournments thereof, with all of the powers the undersigned would possess if then and there personally present and especially (but without limiting the general authorization and power hereby given) to vote as indicated on the proposal, as more fully described in the Combined Proxy Statement for the meeting.

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED BY THE FUND BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES AND, IF EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED FOR THE PROPOSAL SHOWN ON THE REVERSE SIDE UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE INTERNET AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 20, 2025. The Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders, Combined Proxy Statement and Form(s) of Proxy Card are available at www.bny.com/proxy. Please see the Combined Proxy Statement or call (800) 290-6433 for information on how to obtain directions to be able to attend and vote virtually at the Special Meeting of Shareholders.

Questions? If you have any questions about how to vote your proxy or about the Special Meeting, please call toll-free (800) 290-6433. Representatives are available to assist you Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

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“Trust/Company RIC Name Here”
“FUND NAME HERE”

NOTE: This section must be completed for your vote to be counted.
PLEASE SIGN EXACTLY AS YOUR NAME(S) APPEAR ON THIS PROXY. If joint owners, each shareholder should sign. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, trustee, guardian, or custodian for a minor, please give your full title. When signing on behalf of a corporation or as a partner for a partnership, please give the full corporate or partnership name and your title, if any. By signing this proxy card, receipt of the accompanying Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders and Combined Proxy Statement is acknowledged.

SIGNATURE (AND TITLE IF APPLICABLE)	DATE
SIGNATURE (IF HELD JOINTLY)	DATE

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES OF EACH FUND.

The votes entitled to be cast by the undersigned will be cast according to instructions given below with respect to the Proposal. **If this Proxy Ballot is executed but no instructions is given, the undersigned acknowledges that the votes entitled to be cast by the undersigned will be cast by the proxies, or any of them, “FOR ALL” the Proposal at the Special Meeting of Shareholders, and at any and all adjournments and postponements thereof. Additionally, the votes entitled to be cast by the undersigned will be cast at the discretion of the proxy holder on any other matter that may properly come before the Special Meeting of Shareholders, and at any and all adjournments and postponements thereof.**

TO VOTE, MARK CIRCLE IN BLUE OR BLACK INK. Example: ●

PROPOSAL:	FOR ALL	WITHHOLD ALL	FOR ALL EXCEPT*
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1. To elect six Board Members to the Board of Directors/Trustees of the Fund:

- 1. Andrew J. Donohue
- 2. Joan L. Gulley
- 3. Alan H. Howard
- 4. Robin A. Melvin
- 5. Bradley J. Skapyak
- 6. Burton N. Wallack

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*To withhold authority to vote for one or more specific nominees, check the “FOR ALL EXCEPT” box and write the name(s) or number(s) of those nominee(s) you wish to withhold below:

THANK YOU FOR CASTING YOUR VOTE