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Voting Items The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following: The Board of Directors recommends you vote 1 Year on the following proposal: 1. To elect three Class I directors of Proofpoint, Inc. to serve until the third annual meeting of stockholders following this meeting and until his successor has been elected and qualified or until his earlier resignation or removal. 4. To recommend, on a non-binding advisory basis, the frequency of future stockholder advisory votes to approve the compensation of our named executive officers. Nominees: The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal: 1a. Scott Herren 5. To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019. 1b. Michael Johnson 1c. Richard Wallace The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposals: NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. 2. To approve an amendment to our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares of stock authorized for issuance thereunder and to make certain other changes to the plan. 3. To approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of our named executive officers. E57020-P17491

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