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FAIRFAX COUNTY PENSION PLAN INVESTS IN VANECK NEW FINANCE INCOME FUND, LP

Allocation by Fairfax County retirement systems reflects growing investment demand and rapid evolution of digital assets ecosystem.

New York, (July 5, 2022) – Leading global asset manager <u>VanEck</u> is pleased to announce the initial tranche of a \$35 million commitment in the VanEck New Finance Income Fund, LP, by two retirement systems in Fairfax County, Virginia. The investment by the Fairfax County Employees' Retirement System and the Fairfax County Police Officers Retirement System demonstrates growing institutional adoption of digital assets, as opportunities continue to mature.

Launched in December 2021, the VanEck New Finance Income Fund, LP, is available to accredited investors. The fund is designed to seek income opportunities for investors via short-term lending arrangements with digital assets entities through a simplified approach that alleviates the operational burden of direct digital assets lending. This may also result in potentially lower volatility as compared to direct digital assets exposure.

For more information on the VanEck New Finance Income Fund, LP, please visit: https://www.vaneck.com/us/en/investments/new-finance-income-fund/

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About VanEck

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This philosophy rooted in identification and action is reflected today in our initiatives to further the ongoing development and maturity of digital assets. VanEck has been at the forefront in researching and

advocating for this asset class since 2017, in terms of establishing a mature market structure as well as by working closely with global regulatory agencies to provide efficient investment solutions to clients. VanEck's subsidiary, MarketVector Indexes GmbH, was the first regulated index provider to offer digital asset indices to meet industry benchmarking standards. VanEck operates a myriad of European-listed digital asset exchange-traded products, and in the U.S., VanEck launched the first pure-play U.S. ETF to invest in publicly listed companies involved in digital assets. VanEck also offers exposure to bitcoin through a strategy that invests in bitcoin futures, as well as direct bitcoin access to both accredited U.S. investors and qualified offshore investors.

Today, VanEck offers active and passive strategies with compelling exposures supported by well-designed investment processes. As of May 31, 2022, VanEck managed approximately \$78.3 billion in assets, including mutual funds, ETFs and institutional accounts. The firm's capabilities range from core investment opportunities to more specialized exposures to enhance portfolio diversification. Our actively managed strategies are fueled by in-depth, bottom-up research and security selection from portfolio managers with direct experience in the sectors and regions in which they invest. Investability, liquidity, diversity, and transparency are key to the experienced decision-making around market and index selection underlying VanEck's passive strategies.

Since our founding in 1955, putting our clients' interests first, in all market environments, has been at the heart of the firm's mission.

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