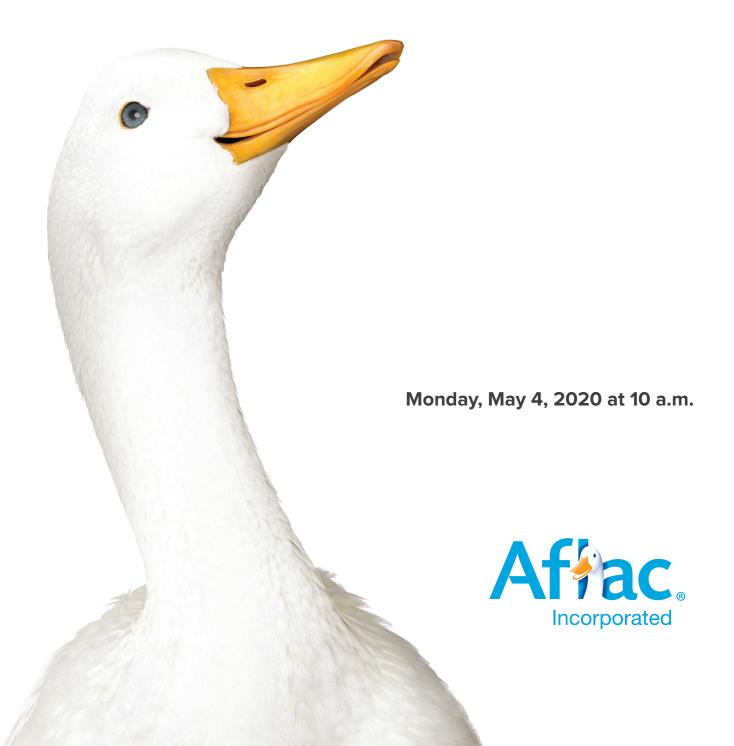
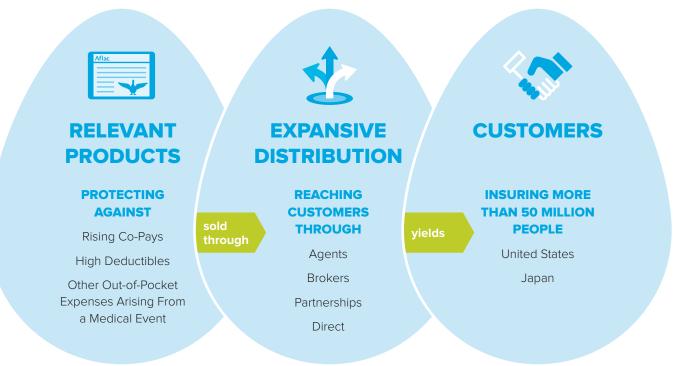
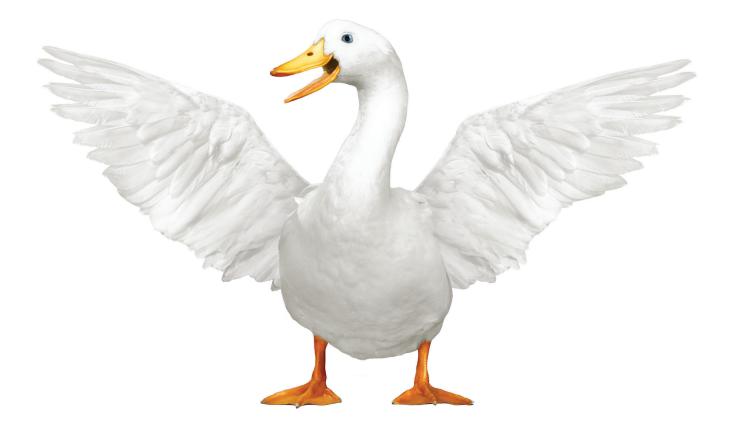
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of Shareholders and Proxy Statement



Our Long-Term Growth Strategy





Notice of 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders

You are cordially invited to the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Aflac Incorporated (the "Company") for the following purposes, all of which are described in the accompanying Proxy Statement:

Logistics	May 4, 2020 Col	ce⁽¹⁾ umbus Museum (in the Patrick Theatre) 51 Wynnton Road, Columbus, Georgia	Record Date February 25, 2020
Proposal	To elect as Directors of the Company the eleven nominees named in the accompanying Proxy Statement to serve until the next Annual Meeting and until their successors are duly elected and qualified	2 To consider a non-binding advisory proposal on the Company's executive compensation ("say-on-pay")	3 To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2020
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In addition, any other business properly presented may be acted upon at the meeting and at any adjournments or postponements of the meeting.

How to Vote

It is important that you vote your shares. We offer several easy and cost-effective voting methods for your convenience.

Internet	Telephone	Mail	In Person
Visit <i>www.proxyvote.com.</i> You will need the control number that appears on your proxy card.	If your shares are held in the name of a broker, bank, or other nominee, follow the telephone voting instructions, if any, provided on your proxy card. If your shares are registered in your name, call 1-800-690-6903 and follow the telephone voting instructions. You will need the control number that appears on your proxy card.	If you received a full package by mail, complete and sign the proxy card and return it in the enclosed postage pre-paid envelope.	You may attend the Annual Meeting and vote orally or by ballot.

The accompanying proxy is solicited by the Company's Board of Directors. The Proxy Statement and the Company's 2019 Year in Review and Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, are enclosed.⁽²⁾ The record date for determining which shareholders are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is February 25, 2020. Only shareholders of record at the close of business on that date will be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting and any adjournment thereof.

Your vote is important! Even if you expect to attend the Annual Meeting, please vote in advance. If you attend the Annual Meeting, you may revoke your proxy and vote in person.

By order of the Board of Directors,

J. Matthew Loudermilk

Secretary March 19, 2020 Columbus, Georgia

- ⁽¹⁾ We continue to monitor developments regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19). In the interest of the health and well-being of our shareholders, we are planning for the possibility that the Annual Meeting may be held solely by means of remote communication. If we make this change, we will announce the decision to do so in advance and provide details on how to participate at investors.aflac.com.
- ⁽²⁾ Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting to be held on May 4, 2020: This Proxy Statement and the Annual Report are available at proxyvote.com.



LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MARCH 19, 2020 Dear Fellow Shareholder:

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on Monday, May 4, 2020, where you can learn more about Aflac Incorporated's recent business performance and strategy for the future. I encourage you to review the enclosed proxy materials and Aflac Incorporated's 2019 Year in Review and Annual Report on Form 10-K to learn more about your company and our latest accomplishments. Then, please vote your shares, even if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting. We want to be sure your shares and your viewpoints are represented.

Aflac Incorporated continues to manage the business for the long term while keeping our more immediate financial objectives top of mind. We focus on providing protection to our policyholders, growing our business, being a good corporate citizen, and driving shareholder value. In doing so, we've gained the trust of more than 50 million people worldwide. We don't seek out recognition for recognition's sake, but when we receive it, we know we're on the right track. In 2019, we appeared on Fortune's List of World's Most Admired Companies for the 19th time, and Aflac Incorporated ranks No.2 in its industry for "Long-Term Investment Value." Following are some other highlights that stand out from 2019:

GROWTH

Aflac Incorporated generated \$3.3 billion in net earnings or \$4.43 per diluted share, up 13.2% and 17.5% from last year, respectively, and an increase in adjusted earnings per diluted share on a currency-neutral basis of 6.3% to \$4.42, driven by strength in core margins. Our results are especially meaningful given the low-interest-rate environment in Japan and our extensive investments in the business to drive future earned premium growth, which will remain a critical strategic focus for 2020.

CAPITAL DEPLOYMENT

When it comes to capital deployment, significant value is achieved through a balance of growth investments, stable dividend growth and disciplined, tactical stock repurchase. In December 2016, we announced our intent to unlock around \$1.7 billion in excess capital drawing down Aflac's U.S. risk-based capital (RBC) ratio closer to 500% by the end of 2019, as part of our conversion of the Japan branch to a subsidiary. I am happy to report that by the end of 2019 we succeeded in unlocking \$1.75 billion in excess capital and brought Aflac's RBC ratio to 539%. However, we believe our capital position by any measure remains robust given our risk profile, and we continue to have among the highest return on capital and lowest cost of capital in the industry. Investing in our profitable business model remains the first priority for our capital, and this includes buy to build acquisitions like our November 2019 acquisition of Argus Holdings, LLC and its subsidiary Argus Dental & Vision, Inc., a benefits management organization and national network dental and vision company. This acquisition marks our strategic entry into network dental and vision in the U.S., which we will build out over the course of 2020 and roll out nationally in 2021.

We also remain committed to returning capital to our shareholders in the form of dividends and share repurchase. Accordingly, our Board of Directors increased the cash dividend 3.8% in 2019, marking the 37th consecutive year of dividend increases. It goes without saying that we are very proud of, and want to extend, this track record. In addition, we repurchased approximately \$1.6 billion, or 32 million of our shares. We will continue to seek the right balance of investing in our business, continuing our long record of dividend growth, and repurchasing stock. Through a combination of dividends and share repurchase, we returned more than \$2.4 billion to our shareholders in 2019. We focus on providing protection to our policyholders, growing our business, being a good corporate citizen, and driving shareholder value... [and] we've gained the trust of more than 50 million people worldwide.



I'm in my 30th year as CEO of Aflac Incorporated, and since the end of August 1990 to the end of 2019, our stock has generated a total return to shareholders, including reinvested cash dividends, of more than 8,913%. This performance significantly exceeds the S&P Life & Health, S&P 500 and the Dow Jones Industrial Average over the same period.

CORPORATE CULTURE OF DOING THE RIGHT THING – THE AFLAC WAY

We believe that fostering and welcoming all forms of diversity in our daily operations, throughout our workforce, management team and in the composition of our Board, enhances our ability to respond to all of our constituents. Living up to the commitments we make to our customers, to our fellow employees and to all the people who rely on us is just the way we work. It's the Aflac Way. One of the seven commitments of the Aflac Way is "Treat Everyone with Respect and Care." One way of reinforcing this culture of understanding is by cultivating and fostering a diverse working environment and including people who represent different viewpoints. I'm proud of the fact that in the United States, 35% of our key senior leadership team are ethnic minorities or women, and 66% of our U.S. employees are women. I'm also proud of the fact that Aflac Japan achieved its goal of 30% female leadership at the company in 2019, one year ahead of schedule. By delivering on our promise to be there when policyholders need us most, paying claims fairly and promptly, and managing our business The Aflac Way, we've gained the trust of more than 50 million people worldwide.

CORPORATE CITIZENSHIP

At Aflac Incorporated, we have worked to be a good corporate citizen for decades because it's the right thing to do, and we have captured this in our Corporate Responsibility Report for more than 10 years. I don't think it's a coincidence that we have achieved success while focusing on doing the right things for our policyholders, shareholders, employees, sales distribution, business partners and communities. I'm proud of what we have accomplished in terms of both our social purpose and financial results, which have ultimately translated into strong, long-term shareholder return.

In 2019, we followed up the initial U.S. introduction of **My Special Aflac Duck**, a smart, comforting companion that helps children feel less alone by using interactive technology during their cancer treatment, by introducing it in Japan. This special fuzzy companion helps bring comfort to children during their cancer care journey through "feeling cards" that help them express a range of emotions and a compatible web-based app that enables the children to mirror their care routines.

We will continue to drive shareholder value and do so by acting ethically and giving back to the communities in which we operate. Ultimately, we believe this is a more sustainable approach to business that will continue to increase shareholder value. By remaining disciplined and focusing on doing what we do best, I believe we will continue to generate results that build long-term shareholder value.

I also would like to express my gratitude to you, our shareholders, for putting your faith, confidence, and resources in Aflac Incorporated. As we look ahead, delivering on more than a promise will remain our priority, because that is not only what sets us apart, it's who we are.

Sincerely,

Daniel P. Amos CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER





"Treat everyone with respect and care."



LETTER FROM THE LEAD NON-MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

MARCH 19, 2020 **To My Fellow Shareholders:**

I am honored to have the opportunity to serve as Lead Non-Management Director, working with an experienced team of Board members who exemplify acumen in a broad range of disciplines. This team is dedicated to effectively and pragmatically overseeing Aflac Incorporated's corporate governance and business strategy. I want to share some of the key areas on which my fellow directors and I have focused.

Shareholder Engagement: As lead director, I will continue to engage our investors, gain insight into their perspectives and consider the viewpoints and positions of those who invest in our business. As a result, the Board has received valued feedback related to our Board practices and composition, executive compensation structure, and sustainability efforts, to name a few areas. This results in productive discussions and actions representing you, our shareholders.

Board Composition: Just as we foster diversity within our Company operations, we foster diversity within our Board to ensure that we maintain a 360 degree view of our operations and to prompt productive and informative discussions covering the breadth and depth that our business requires. It is vital that we maintain an accomplished and cohesive Board composed of subject matter experts who are passionate about their respective areas of discipline. Our Board is made up of members whose skill sets align with the current and future needs of our Company. The Board engages in a regular self-evaluation process to ensure we maintain a cohesive, diverse, and well-constituted board of high integrity that exemplifies the right balance of perspective, experience, independence, skill sets, and subject matter experts required for prudent oversight of the Company. Over the last five years, six new directors have been added. Georgette Kiser is the most recent example of an outstanding addition to the Board, and we believe that she will prove to be a tremendous addition to the Audit and Risk Committee, too. In 2020, as a result of the Board's annual self-evaluation process and feedback from shareholder engagements, we have determined that the Board would benefit from additional representation from Japan. We believe we found an excellent candidate in Nobuchika Mori.

Commitment to Sustainability: We began establishing and defining Aflac Incorporated's corporate purpose many years ago, even before investors began showing an interest. Establishing and defining the Company's corporate purpose has been integral to our success. Each year, we highlight some of our efforts in Aflac Incorporated's Year in Review and Corporate Social Responsibility reports, which I invite you to read. The Board has long recognized the importance of corporate social responsibility and sustainability in creating long-term value for shareholders. We have had a dedicated Board-level sustainability committee since 2007 and in 2017, we broadened the focus of that committee and renamed it the Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Committee. In addition, we have witnessed increased interest in Environmental, Social and Governance, or ESG, from investors and others alike over the last two years. As a result, the Company has expanded and enhanced its disclosures with the launch of Aflac Incorporated's ESG Hub, esg.aflac.com, which includes reporting using Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) and Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) standards. The Company's hard work to address ESG

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issues has been widely acknowledged. For example, in 2020, the Company was recognized by Ethisphere as one of the World's Most Ethical Companies for the 14th consecutive year, remaining the only insurance company in the world to receive this honor every year since this award was inaugurated in 2007. Earlier this year, Bloomberg added Aflac Incorporated to its Gender-Equality Index, which tracks the financial performance of public companies committed to supporting gender equality through policy development, representation and transparency. I think that you will agree that the Company has a good story to tell, and we are excited to share it.

Risk Oversight: It is vitally important that our Board continually works to identify risks that are relevant to both the industry and to the Company. Along with carefully monitoring traditional risks associated with investments and our product risk profile, as well as maintaining strong capital ratios and managing operational risk, the Board has overseen significant advancements in information security and has enhanced our information security policy with the goal of ensuring that the Company's information assets and data, and the data of its customers, are appropriately protected. The addition of Ms. Kiser's expertise to our Board has added depth to our IT and information security oversight that protects all aspects of our operations.

With these vital topics in mind, I encourage you to review the accompanying Proxy Statement and associated materials and to vote your shares before our annual meeting on May 4, 2020.

The Board looks forward to continuing our ongoing dialogue with investors and acting upon that feedback, and we thank you for your support and the privilege of representing you and your shares. It is my pleasure, and my privilege, to serve on Aflac Incorporated's Board, and I look forward, as a fellow shareholder, to all of the ways the Company will continue to uphold its promises.

Sincerely,

W. Paul Bowers LEAD NON-MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR



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Proxy Summary

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this Proxy Statement, but it does not contain all of the information you should consider. For more information, please refer to the following:

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To elect as Directors of the Company the eleven nominees named in this Proxy Statement	✓ FOR each nominee✓ PAGE 2
2 To consider a non-binding advisory proposal on the Company's executive compensation ("say-on-pay")	 ✓ FOR → PAGE 27
3 To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm	 ✓ FOR → PAGE 58

Please read the entire Proxy Statement before voting. This Proxy Statement and the accompanying proxy are being delivered to shareholders on or about March 19, 2020.



Proposal 1 Election of Directors

Each Director stands for election annually. The following provides summary information about the nominees. Our Board believes it is appropriate to maintain a diverse balance of longer tenured members, who bring stability and valuable Company-specific knowledge with a historical perspective, and newer members, who bring fresh viewpoints and new ideas.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR each of the eleven nominees.

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DIRECTOR NOMINEES

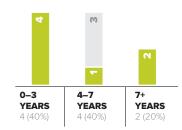
First year nominated

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	Name	IND	Age	Director Since	AR	с	CD	CG	Е	FI	CSR
A	DANIEL P. AMOS Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Aflac Incorporated		68	1983					•	•	
2	W. PAUL BOWERS Lead Director Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Georgia Power Co.	•	63	2013	•		•		•		•
	TOSHIHIKO FUKUZAWA President and CEO, Chuo Real Estate Co., Ltd.	•	63	2016						•	
	THOMAS J. KENNY Former Partner and Co-Head of Global Fixed Income, Goldman Sachs Asset Management	•	56	2015			٠			•	•
	GEORGETTE D. KISER Operating Executive, The Carlyle Group	•	52	2019		•					
6	KAROLE F. LLOYD Certified Public Accountant and retired Ernst & Young LLP audit partner	•	61	2017	•				•	•	
	NOBUCHIKA MORI Representative Director, Japan Financial and Economic Research Co. Ltd.	•	63	*							
	JOSEPH L. MOSKOWITZ Retired Executive Vice President, Primerica, Inc.	•	66	2015	•	•	•				
Ş	BARBARA K. RIMER, DrPH Dean and Alumni Distinguished Professor, Gillings School of Global Public Health, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	•	71	1995				•			•
6	KATHERINE T. ROHRER Vice Provost Emeritus, Princeton University	•	66	2017		•		•			
	MELVIN T. STITH Dean Emeritus of the Martin J. Whitman School of Management at Syracuse University	٠	73	2012				•	•		•
AR	Audit & Risk E Executiv	e				Ind	epenc	lent			
С	Compensation FI Finance	& Inves	tment			Cha	air				
CD	Corporate Development CSR Corpora)	Me	mber				
CG	Corporate Governance Responsibility & Sustainability										

Information About Our Board Members

BOARD TENURE

2020 Independent Director nominees (10)



7 of our 10 Independent Director nominees are minority and/or women

DIVERSITY OF SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

2020 all Director nominees (11)

CURRENT	OR	FORM	ER CE	0
3				

INDEPENDENT

MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATION	ONS
2	(18%)
JAPANESE MARKET EXPERTISE	
5	(45%)
INVEST AND EINANCIAL EXPERTI	CE.

10 (91%)

(27%)

INVEST. AND FINANCIAL		(91%)
OPERATIONS EXPERIENCI	=	

OPERATIONS EXPERIENCE	
8	(73%)
REG. AND RISK MGMT. EXPERIE	NCE
10	(91%)
INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE	
6	(55%)
PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERIENCE	
1	(9%)
DIGITAL/CYBER SECURITY	
3	(27%)
WOMAN DIRECTOR	
4	(36%)
MINORITY DIRECTOR	
4	(36%)

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE HIGHLIGHTS

- Annual director elections
- Majority vote standard for director elections
- Independent Lead Director
- ✓ Active and responsive shareholder engagement process
- Annual Board evaluations, including individual director interviews
- Shareholder ability to call special meetings
- Shareholder right of proxy access
- ✓ Robust CEO succession planning process
- Director mandatory retirement age

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY HIGHLIGHTS

We carefully consider the impact our actions will have on our communities and our planet – not only today, but in the years to come. We are invested in an inclusive and equitable work environment.

We are proud of the accolades we have received, a handful of which are listed below, and we invite you to read Aflac's Year in Review and Corporate Social Responsibility reports to learn more about our initiatives.

- Fortune's 100 Best Companies to Work for in America (20th consecutive year)
- Fortune's Most Admired Companies (19th time)
- Ethisphere's World's Most Ethical Companies (14 $^{\rm th}$ consecutive year)
- Named to Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes (8th consecutive year)
- Bloomberg's Gender-Equality Index, which tracks the financial performance of public companies committed to supporting gender equality through policy development, representation and transparency.

Proposal 2

Executive Compensation ("Say-on-Pay")

We are committed to achieving a high level of total return for our shareholders. From the end of August 1990, when Daniel P. Amos was appointed the CEO, through December 31, 2019, the Company's total return to shareholders, including reinvested cash dividends, has exceeded **8,913%**, compared with 2,111% for the Dow Jones Industrial Average, 1,748% for the S&P 500 Index, and 1,000% for the S&P 500 Life & Health Insurance Index over the same period.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR our executive compensation.

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EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION HIGHLIGHTS

Our executive compensation philosophy is to provide pay that is aligned with the Company's results. We believe this is the most effective method for creating shareholder value and it has played a significant role in making the Company an industry leader. Our pay-for-performance compensation program generally targets market median positioning and delivers the majority of direct compensation through performance-based elements. This ensures proper alignment with our shareholders and ties compensation for named executive officers to the Company's performance.

The Company's executive compensation program reflects our corporate governance best practices principles:

- ✓ The Board's independent Compensation Committee oversees the program.
- The Compensation Committee retains an independent compensation consultant that reports only to that Committee.
- The independent compensation consultant briefs the full Board annually on CEO pay and performance alignment.
- ✓ We were the first public company in the U.S. to voluntarily provide shareholders with a say-on-pay vote—three years before such votes became mandatory.
- Executive officers and Directors may not enter into 10b5-1 plans unless approved by the Compensation Committee or pledge the Company's stock.
- ✓ All employees are prohibited from hedging Company stock.
- Executive officers and Directors have been subject to stock ownership guidelines for almost two decades.
- ✓ We have had a clawback policy since 2007.
- ✓ We do not provide for change-in-control excise tax gross-ups.
- ✓ All employment agreements contain double trigger change-in-control requirements.
- U.S. and Japan sales⁽¹⁾ were down 1.3% and 16.9%, respectively.
- Total revenues increased 2.5% to \$22.3 billion. Total adjusted revenues increased 1.2% to \$22.3 billion reflective of continued growth of the inforce business in both United States and Japan. Total adjusted revenues on a currency-neutral basis* increased .4% to \$22.1 billion.
- We acquired Argus Holdings, LLC which was a key step in the Company's buy-to-build strategy to deliver best-in-class network dental and vision
 products to employers and unique solutions to distribution partners. Along with entering a growth market, we believe this portfolio expansion will
 increase producer productivity and assist with recruiting and retaining agents and expand broker markets.
- * Adjusted earnings per diluted share excluding foreign currency impact, total adjusted revenues on a currency-neutral basis, and AROE, are not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP). See the Appendix to this Proxy Statement for definitions of these non-GAAP measures and reconciliation to the most comparable GAAP financial measure.
- As defined in Item 1. Business in the Company's 2019 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

2019 BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

In 2019, the Company delivered strong operating results.

NET EARNINGS

\$3.3B

(13.2%)▲



ADJUSTED EPS*



RETURN ON EQUITY



ADJUSTED RETURN ON EQUITY ("AROE")*

15.1%

REPURCHASED SHARES



CASH DIVIDEND



3 YEAR TSR

+62.5%

2019 EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The total target direct compensation mix for 2019 for (1) our CEO and (2) our CEO together with our other NEOs is illustrated in the following charts, and reflects the performance-based nature of our compensation program:



RECENT SAY-ON-PAY VOTES

We are pleased that, for the past two consecutive years, 96% of our shareholders voting on the say-on-pay proposal voted in favor of our executive compensation. We believe this continued support reflects favorably on changes we have made to our executive compensation program over the past few years to more tightly link compensation metrics to our business strategy while incorporating feedback received from our shareholders. We work hard to ensure we implement best practices in executive compensation while staying focused on performance-based program elements that align with shareholder interests. We will continue to review our compensation program each year to determine if additional changes are warranted.

(→) Learn more in the Compensation Discussion & Analysis under the heading "Outcome of 2019 Say-on-Pay Vote".

Proposal 3 Ratification of Auditors

In February 2020, the Audit and Risk Committee voted to appoint KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, to perform the annual audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements for fiscal year 2020, subject to ratification by the shareholders.

The Board of Directors and the Audit and Risk Committee recommend a vote **FOR** the ratification of the selection of KPMG LLP.

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Corporate Governance Matters

Proposal 1

Election of Directors

Each Director stands for election annually. The following provides summary information about the nominees. Our Board believes it is appropriate to maintain a diverse balance of longer tenured members, who bring stability and valuable Company-specific knowledge with a historical perspective, and newer members, who bring fresh viewpoints and new ideas.

Ithe Board of Directors recommends a vote **FOR** each of the eleven nominees.

The Company proposes that the following eleven individuals be elected to the Board. These individuals have been nominated by the Board's Corporate Governance Committee. If elected, they are willing to serve for a one-year term expiring at our 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Each Director will hold office until his or her successor has been elected and qualified or until the Director's earlier death, resignation or removal. The people named in the accompanying proxy (or their substitutes) will vote to elect these nominees unless specifically instructed to the contrary. However, if any nominee becomes unable or unwilling to serve or is otherwise unavailable for election, the people named in the proxy (or their substitutes) will have discretionary authority to vote or to refrain from voting on any substitute nominee. The Board has no reason to believe that any of the nominees will be unable or unwilling to serve.

All but one of the nominees are currently members of our Board. Upon the recommendation of the Corporate Governance Committee, Mr. Nobuchika Mori has been nominated to serve on the Board. Mr. Mori was recommended for the Board by the Chairman of the Board most notably for his regulatory expertise and financial acumen gathered over a three-plus decade career in Japan and internationally as a financial regulator, including from July 2015-July 2018, as Commissioner of Japan's Financial Services Agency.

We expect all of our Directors to have a demonstrated ability to make a meaningful contribution to the Board's oversight of the business and affairs of the Company. As shown below, our nominees have a range of skills and experience in areas that are critical to our industry and our operations.

BOARD COMPOSITION

Director Skills Summary and The Link to Our Strategy

Skills and Experience	Daniel P. Amos	W. Paul Bowers	Toshihiko Fukuzawa	Thomas J. Kenny	Georgette D. Kiser	Karole F. Lloyd	Nobuchika Mori	Joseph L. Moskowitz	Barbara K. Rimer, DrPH	Katherine T. Rohrer	Melvin T. Stith
Independent											
Marketing and Public Relations											
Current or former CEO											
Operations Experience											
Japanese Market Experience											
Investment and Financial Expertise											
Regulatory and Risk Mgmt. Experience											
Industry Experience											
Public Health Experience											
Digital/Cyber Security Experience											

Director Nominees

Daniel P. Amos

CHAIRMAN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF AFLAC INCORPORATED

Mr. Amos has been Chief Executive Officer of the Company and Aflac since 1990, Chairman since 2001, was President of Aflac from July 2017 to May 2018, and was President of Aflac Incorporated from February 2018 through December 2019. He has spent 40 years in various positions at Aflac.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION *Institutional Investor* magazine has named Mr. Amos one of America's Best CEOs in the life insurance category five times. Harvard Business Review has named Mr. Amos among the World's Best Performing CEOs in each of the past four years. *CR Magazine* recently honored him with a Lifetime Achievement Award for his dedication to corporate responsibility.

Mr. Amos' experience and approach deliver insightful expertise and guidance to the Board of Directors on topics relating to corporate governance, people management, and risk management. OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Synovus Financial Corp. (2001-2011)
 Southern Company (2000-2006)
- Southern Company (2000-2006)



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DIRECTOR SINCE 1983

COMMITTEES Executive (Chair) Finance and Investment

W. Paul Bowers

CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF GEORGIA POWER CO.

Mr. Bowers has been chairman, president and chief executive officer of Georgia Power, the largest subsidiary of Southern Company, a gas and electricity utility holding company, since 2011. Before that, Mr. Bowers served as chief financial officer of Southern Company from 2008 to 2010. Previously, he served in various senior executive positions across Southern Company in Southern Company Generation, Southern Power, and the company's former U.K. subsidiary, where he was president and chief executive officer of South Western Electricity LLC/Western Power Distribution.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION Mr. Bowers brings to the Board a valuable and unique perspective from his considerable financial knowledge; national and international business experience, including experience in Japan and operating in a highly regulated industry; and expertise in corporate development and managing the evolving risks associated with cyber security. OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Chair, Atlanta Committee for Progress (2016)
- Nuclear Electric Insurance Ltd. (since 2009); current Chairman
- Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia (2014-2018)
- Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta's Energy Policy Council (2008-2018)
- Board of Brand Industrial Holding, Inc, (since 2019) and Audit Committee Chair (since 2019)



INDEPENDENT

LEAD NON-MANAGEMENT INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

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DIRECTOR SINCE

COMMITTEES Corporate Development (Chair)

Audit and Risk* Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainability Executive

Financial Expert

INDEPENDENT

AGE 63

> DIRECTOR SINCE 2016

COMMITTEES Finance and Investment

Toshihiko Fukuzawa PRESIDENT AND CEO OF CHUO REAL ESTATE CO., LTD

Mr. Fukuzawa has been the president and chief executive officer of Chuo Real Estate Co., Ltd., a real estate development and leasing company in Japan, since July 2018. Previously, he was the president and chief executive officer of Yushu Tatemono Co., Ltd., also a real estate development and leasing company in Japan, from June 2015 to June 2018. He served as deputy president at Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. from April 2013 to March 2015, managing executive officer and head of the IT System Group at Mizuho Bank Ltd. from June 2009 to June 2011. From 2002 to 2009, he held executive officer and general manager positions at Mizuho Bank, Ltd., part of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. Mr. Fukuzawa held various positions of increasing responsibility at Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd., which he joined in 1979.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION Over a 36-year career as a professional banker in Japan, Mr. Fukuzawa gained extensive business and IT knowledge and experience with a wide range of Japanese financial services institutions, including insurance companies. He provides the Board with valuable insight and expertise relevant to the Company's Japanese business.

Thomas J. Kenny Former Partner and CO-HEAD OF GLOBAL FIXED INCOME, GOLDMAN SACHS ASSET MANAGEMENT

Mr. Kenny has served as a trustee of TIAA-CREF, a financial services organization, since 2011. He currently serves as the Chair of the TIAA-CREF Funds Board of Trustees, previously served as Chair of the Investment Committee, and also currently sits on the TIAA-CREF Funds Audit, Investment and Nominating and Governance Committees. Prior to his role at TIAA-CREF, Mr. Kenny held a variety of leadership positions at Goldman Sachs for twelve years, most recently serving as partner and advisory director. He also served as co-head of the Global Cash and Fixed Income Portfolio team at Goldman Sachs Asset Management, where he was responsible for overseeing the management of more than \$600 billion in assets across multiple strategies with teams in London, Tokyo, and New York. Before joining Goldman Sachs, Mr. Kenny spent thirteen years at Franklin Templeton. He is a CFA charter holder.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION Mr. Kenny's extensive experience in investment management and financial markets provides the Board with valuable insight and expertise. OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- CREF Board of Trustees, Chairman
- TIAA-CREF Fund Complex
 - Executive Committee, Chair
 - Investment Committee
 - Audit Committee
 - Nominating and Governance Committee

Georgette D. Kiser OPERATING EXECUTIVE, THE CARLYLE GROUP

Ms. Kiser is an Operating Executive at The Carlyle Group, a global alternative asset management firm, where she advises CARLYLE professionals through the investment process, from sourcing deals, conducting diligence, managing companies and exiting transactions. She also helps set IT strategy for Carlyle Portfolio companies and drives IT / digital diligence and advisory efforts. Ms. Kiser was a managing director and chief information officer at The Carlyle Group, where she was responsible for leading the firm's global technology and solutions organization from February 2015 until May 2019. In this role, Ms. Kiser developed and drove information technology strategies across the global enterprise, which includes the firm's application development, data, digital, infrastructure, cyber security, and program management and outsourcing activities. Prior to joining The Carlyle Group, Ms. Kiser held positions of increasing responsibility at T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc., also a global alternative asset management firm, from 1996 to 2015, including the role of vice president, Enterprise Solutions and Capabilities within the services and technology organization.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION Throughout Ms. Kiser's three-plus decade career, she has established extensive experience and success developing and leading talented teams to deliver decision support systems and technical solutions, including cyber security, for financial services firms. She has consistently been recognized for bringing credibility to solutions and technical organizations in addition to building strong business partnerships, leveraging human and technical resources, implementing investment and customer management systems, and producing advanced data management solutions.

OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Jacobs Engineering (since 2019)
- Adtalem Global Education (since 2018)
- YearUp.org (National Capital Region) Board of Trustees *(since 2016)*
- The Boys' Latin School of Maryland Board of Trustees (since 2009)
- Previously served on the Boards of Trustees for the University of Baltimore Foundation, T. Rowe Price Foundation, the University of Baltimore Merrick School of Business Advisory Board, The Maryland Business Roundtable STEMnet board, and the Greater Baltimore Committee Leadership



INDEPENDENT

AGE 56

> DIRECTOR SINCE 2015

COMMITTEES Finance and Investment (Chair) Corporate Development Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainability



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DIRECTOR SINCE 2019

COMMITTEES Compensation

Karole F. Lloyd

Nobuchika Mori

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND RETIRED ERNST & YOUNG LLP AUDIT PARTNER

Ms. Lloyd is a certified public accountant and retired as vice chair and regional managing partner for Ernst & Young, LLP ("EY"), a global accounting firm, in December 2016. She brings more than 37 years of work experience and leadership, most recently as part of the US Executive Board, Americas Operating Executive and the Global Practice Group for EY, and has extensive experience in the audits of large financial services, insurance, and health care companies. Ms. Lloyd served many of EY's highest profile clients through mergers, IPOs, acquisitions, divestitures, and across numerous industries including banking, insurance, consumer products, transportation, real estate, manufacturing, and retail. She has served as an audit partner for publicly held companies in both the United States and Canada. Ms. Lloyd's other experience includes leadership and consulting with respect to financial reporting, board governance and legal matters, regulatory compliance, internal audit, and risk management.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION Ms. Lloyd's extensive accounting and advisory experience across the financial service industry, combined with her leadership skills and strategic thinking, provide valuable perspective for our Audit and Risk Committee.

OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Churchill Downs Incorporated and Audit Committee (since 2018)
- The University of Alabama President's Advisory Council (since 2003)
- The University of Alabama Board of Visitors for the Commerce and Business School (since 2001)
- Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors (since 2010)
- Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trustees and Executive Committee (2009-2016)



Mr. Nobuchika Mori is representative director of the Japan Financial and Economic Research Co. Ltd., a research and consulting firm. In this role, he has been responsible for providing research and consulting services to companies in Japan and abroad since July 2018. He is currently also an adjunct professor and senior research scholar at Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs (since October 2018). From July 2015 until his retirement in July 2018, Mr. Mori served as commissioner of the Financial Services Agency of Japan (the "JFSA"), Japan's integrated financial regulator. In this role, he led supervision of financial institutions including banks, securities firms and insurance companies, and directed legislative and regulatory planning to ensure financial stability and enhance economic growth in Japan. Before becoming the head of JFSA, he spent more than 30 years in senior positions at JFSA and Japan's Ministry of Finance (the "MOF"), including JFSA Vice Commissioner for Policy Coordination, Director General for Inspection, and Director General for Supervision (July 2014 to July 2015). He also served in a range of diplomatic posts reflecting his expertise in international financial markets and regulatory standards, including as the Chief Representative in New York for the MOF, Minister of the Embassy of Japan in the United States of America, and as Deputy Treasurer at the Inter-American Development Bank.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION Over a three-plus decade career immersed in Japan's finance industry as a financial regulator, policymaker, and standard setter in Japan and internationally, Mr. Mori gained extensive specialized economic, policy, and financial regulatory expertise, knowledge and experience. He brings to the Board indispensable, significant insight with respect to the Company's Japanese business operations from his considerable financial and economic knowledge, international business experience, and regulatory acumen spanning highly regulated industries in Japan and internationally.

OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

 Center on Japanese Economy and Business (CJEB) Professional Fellow (since 2018)



INDEPENDENT

AGE 61

DIRECTOR SINCE 2017

COMMITTEES Audit and Risk* (Chair)

Executive

Finance and Investment

Financial Expert



INDEPENDENT

AGE 63

DIRECTOR NOMINEE

Joseph L. Moskowitz RETIRED EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, PRIMERICA, INC.

Mr. Moskowitz retired from Primerica, Inc., an insurance and investments company, where he served as executive vice president from 2009 until 2014, leading the Product Economics and Financial Analysis Group. He joined Primerica in 1988, and served in various capacities, including managing the group responsible for financial budgeting, capital management support, earnings analysis, and analyst and stockholder communications support. He served as chief actuary from 1999 to 2004. Before joining Primerica, Mr. Moskowitz was vice president of Sun Life Insurance Company from 1985 to 1988 and was a senior manager at KPMG from 1979 to 1985.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION With forty years of actuarial experience and leadership roles in the financial services industry, Mr. Moskowitz provides insight into the analysis and evaluation of actuarial and financial models, which form the basis of various aspects of corporate planning, financial reporting, and risk assessment, to the Board.

OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Fellow, Society of ActuariesMember, American Academy

of Actuaries



INDEPENDENT

AGE 66

> DIRECTOR SINCE 2015

COMMITTEES Audit and Risk* Compensation Corporate Development

* Financial Expert



DEAN AND ALUMNI DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR, GILLINGS SCHOOL OF GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL

Dr. Rimer has been dean of the University of North Carolina Gillings School of Global Public Health since 2005, and alumni distinguished professor since 2003. Previously, she was director of the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences at the National Cancer Institute. She is a former director of Cancer Control Research and professor of community and family medicine at the Duke University School of Medicine. She was elected to the Institute of Medicine in 2008.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION At the Gillings School of Public Health, Dr. Rimer works to improve public health, promote individual well-being, and eliminate health inequities across North Carolina and around the world. In 2012, Dr. Rimer was appointed Chairman of the President's Cancer Panel and was reappointed twice since then. Her insight and leadership with respect to the public health sector are extremely relevant to the Company's business and operations.

OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Chair, President's Cancer Panel (2012-2019)
- Elected to Institute of Medicine (2008)
- Awarded the American Cancer Society Medal of Honor (2013)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill General Alumni Association's Faculty Service Award (2020)



INDEPENDENT

AGE 71

DIRECTOR SINCE 1995

COMMITTEES Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainability (Chair) Corporate Governance

Katherine T. Rohrer VICE PROVOST EMERITUS, PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Dr. Rohrer is vice provost emeritus, Princeton University, having served as vice provost for Academic Programs from 2001 until 2015. Prior to assuming this role, starting in 1988, Dr. Rohrer held several senior leadership positions at Princeton University, including associate dean of the faculty and assistant dean of the college. Following her retirement, she served as interim associate dean of the graduate school in 2016-17. At Columbia University, she was an assistant professor from 1982 to 1988. Dr. Rohrer is also a trustee of Emory University, where she chairs the academic affairs committee and serves on the finance and executive committees.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION With more than 30 years as a university leader, Dr. Rohrer brings a wealth of experience highlighted by a commitment to academic rigor and financial management. Her operational expertise includes: executing on institutional budgetary decisions; leading academic governance and priority-setting; spearheading the recruitment of deans and other senior academic administrators; developing university-level messaging and communications; and managing endowments. Dr. Rohrer's management career has included a focus on social responsibility, inclusion, and diversity.

OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Emory University Board of Trustees (since 2008; chair, Academic Affairs Committee; member, Executive Committee, Finance Committee)
- Previously served on the boards of Morristown-Beard School, Morristown, NJ; Trinity Church, Princeton, NJ; Crisis Ministry of Trenton and Princeton (now "Arm in Arm"); and Dryden Ensemble.



INDEPENDENT

AGE 66

DIRECTOR SINCE

COMMITTEES Compensation Corporate Governance

Melvin T. Stith

DEAN EMERITUS OF THE MARTIN J. WHITMAN SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Stith is dean emeritus of the Martin J. Whitman School of Management at Syracuse University, having served as dean from 2005 until 2013. Recently, Dr. Stith served as interim president of Norfolk State University from January 2018 to June 2019. Prior to assuming this role, Dr. Stith was the dean emeritus and the Jim Moran Professor of Business Administration at Florida State University for thirteen years. He has been a professor of marketing and business since 1977 following his service as a captain in the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Command.

SKILLS AND RECOGNITION Dr. Stith's financial acumen and his leadership skills in consensus-building, risk management, and executive management add an important dimension to the composition of our Board.

OTHER BOARD OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Synovus Financial Corp. (1998-2019)
- Flowers Foods, Inc. (since 2004)
- Jim Moran Foundation (since 2000)
- Previously served on the boards of Correctional Services Corporation, JM Family Enterprises Youth Automotive Training Center, the Keebler Company, United Telephone of Florida, and Rexall Sundown.



INDEPENDENT

AGE 73

DIRECTOR SINCE 2012

COMMITTEES Corporate Governance (Chair) Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainability Executive

Director Not Eligible for Re-election

Under the Company's Bylaws, Mr. Robert B. Johnson, who has turned 75 prior to our Annual Meeting, is not eligible to be nominated for re-election and, as a result, the Company has not nominated Mr. Johnson for election to the Board at the 2020 Annual Meeting. Mr. Johnson has served on our Board since 2002. We thank Mr. Johnson for his service to the Board.

Board Succession Planning and Refreshment Process

Our Board believes it is appropriate to maintain a diverse balance of longer tenured members, who bring stability and valuable Company-specific knowledge with a historical perspective, and newer members, who bring fresh viewpoints and new ideas. Our regular self-evaluation process ensures we maintain a cohesive, diverse, and well-constituted board of high integrity that exemplifies the right balance of perspectives, experience, independence, skill sets, and subject matter experts required for prudent oversight. Over the last five years, we have added six new directors as we make it a priority to identify candidates with the skills needed to ensure effective oversight.

Director Nominating Process

Our Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for establishing criteria, screening candidates and evaluating the qualifications of persons who may be considered for service as a Director.

Succession Planning	Our Corporate Governance Committee considers the current and long-term needs of our business and seeks potential candidates in light of evolving needs, current Board structure, tenure, skills, experience and diversity.
Identification of Candidates	 The Committee may identify potential candidates from three sources: suggestions from current Directors and executive officers; firms that specialize in identifying director candidates; and/or as discussed below, candidates recommended by shareholders.
Threshold Qualifications	 The Committee believes that, at a minimum, nominees for Director must have: a demonstrated ability to make a meaningful contribution to the Board's oversight of the business and affairs of the Company; and an impeccable record and reputation for honest and ethical conduct in both professional and personal activities.
Additional Qualifications	 The Committee strives to build a diverse Board that is strong in its collective knowledge. In particular, the Committee looks for nominees with experience in the following areas: accounting and finance business operations corporate governance management and leadership business judgment global markets vision and strategy industry knowledge communication In addition, the Committee considers diversity in nominating Directors. Nominees must be between the ages of 21 and 74.

Meeting with Candidates	 Once the Committee identifies one or more potential nominees, its members: review publicly available information and contact candidates who warrant further consideration; request further information for those potential nominees willing to be considered for a Board seat; conduct one or more interviews with each prospective nominee; and may contact references provided by candidates and speak with members of the business
•	community or other people who have firsthand knowledge of a candidate's record. This process enables the Corporate Governance Committee to compare the accomplishments and qualifications of all potential nominees.
Decision and Nomination	The Committee nominates the candidates best qualified to serve the interests of the Company and all shareholders for nomination and approval by the Board.
Election	Shareholders consider the nominees and elect Directors at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to serve one-year terms. The Board may also appoint Directors during the year when determined to be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders.

Consideration of Director Candidate from Shareholders

The Corporate Governance Committee will consider Director candidates recommended by shareholders. As with any prospective nominee, the Corporate Governance Committee will evaluate shareholder-nominated candidates in light of the needs of the Board and the qualifications of the particular individuals. In addition, the Corporate Governance Committee may consider the number of shares held by the recommending shareholder and the length of time such shares have been held.

To recommend a candidate for the Board, a shareholder must submit the recommendation in writing, including: (i) the name of the shareholder and evidence of the person's ownership of common stock of the Company ("Common Stock"), including the number of shares owned and the length of time of ownership; and (ii) the name of the candidate, the candidate's resume or qualifications to be a Director, and the candidate's consent to be named as a Director if nominated by the Board.

The shareholder recommendation and information described above generally must be received by the Corporate Secretary not less than 90 nor more than 120 days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of shareholders. However, if the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within 25 days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the shareholder, to be timely, must be received no later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or public disclosure of that date was made, whichever occurs first.

Shareholder recommendations and accompanying information should be sent to the Corporate Secretary at Aflac Incorporated as described at the end of this Proxy Statement under the heading "Other Proposals or Director Nominations to be brought before our 2021 Annual Meeting."

Our proxy access bylaw permits a shareholder (or group of up to twenty shareholders) owning shares of our outstanding Common Stock representing at least 3% of the votes entitled to be cast on the election of Directors to nominate and include in our proxy materials Director candidates constituting up to 20% of the Board. The nominating shareholder or group of shareholders must have owned their shares continuously for at least three years, and the nominating shareholder(s) and nominee(s) must satisfy other requirements specified in our Bylaws.

Board Self-Evaluation

The effectiveness of our Board is of the utmost importance. The Board recognizes that we live in a dynamic world that requires regular self-evaluation to ensure that we have the best skill set and experience to serve the Company and that the Board is fulfilling its responsibilities.

Annual Assessment Oversight	The Corporate Governance Committee is charged with overseeing an annual process of self- evaluation for the Board as a whole and for its individual members
Committee Self-Evaluations	The charters of the Board committee also require annual evaluations, which are typically overseen by each committee's chair
One-on-One Discussions	The process, which includes completion of written questionnaires for the Board and for each committee on which the Director serves, involves an interview of each Director
Executive Sessions	The Chairman discusses the results of the surveys and interviews with the full Board in executive sessions. In addition, the Lead Non-Management Director leads executive sessions with the Board, without the Chairman, to discuss the self-evaluation results
Feedback Incorporated	Based on the self-evaluation results, any follow-ups including changes in practices or procedures are considered and implemented, as appropriate.

In addition to the formal self-evaluation process, the Non-employee Directors regularly meet in executive session, during which the Board's performance and oversight responsibilities are frequently discussed.

Director Independence

The Board annually assesses the independence of each Director and Director nominee. Daniel P. Amos is an employee of the Company. The Board has determined that all of the other Director and Director nominees are "independent" under New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") listing standards. None of the independent nominees has a material relationship with the Company, either directly or as a partner, shareholder, or officer of an organization that has a relationship with the Company. The Board made its determination based on information furnished by all Directors regarding their relationships with the Company and research conducted by management.

OUR BOARD AND COMMITTEES

Board Leadership Structure

If the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer roles are filled by the same person, or if the Chairman is not independent, the Board believes that an independent Director should be appointed to serve as the Lead Non-Management Director. The Lead Non-Management Director is elected annually by the Board (effective at the first Board of Director's meeting following the Annual Meeting of Shareholders) based upon a recommendation by the Corporate Governance Committee. Although subject to an annual election, the Lead Non-Management Director is generally expected to serve for more than one year, but no more than four years.



Daniel P. Amos Chairman and CEO

Mr. Amos has served as Chairman of the Board since 2001 and as CEO since 1990. The Board believes the most effective Board leadership structure for the Company is for the CEO to continue to serve as Chairman, working with a Lead Non-Management Director. This structure has served the Company well for many years. The CEO is ultimately responsible for the day-today operation of the Company and for executing the Company's strategy, and the Company's performance is an integral part of Board deliberations. Accordingly, the Board believes that Mr. Amos is the Director most gualified to act as Chairman. The Board believes that Mr. Amos' in-depth, long-term knowledge of the Company's operations and his vision for the Company's development provides decisive and effective leadership for the Board. However, the Board retains the authority to modify this structure to best advance the interests of all shareholders if circumstances warrant such a change.



W. Paul Bowers Lead Non-Management Director

The Corporate Governance Committee has nominated Mr. Bowers to serve as Lead Non-Management Director, a position he has held since May 2019. Mr. Bowers' experience at Southern Company, particularly his strong leadership and operational background, make him well-suited to serve as our Lead Non-Management Director. He has also served as Chair of the Corporate Development Committee and a member of the Audit and Risk, Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainability and Executive Committees.

The Board believes its existing corporate governance practices achieve independent oversight and management accountability. These governance practices are reflected in the Company's Guidelines on Significant Corporate Governance Issues and the Committee charters. In particular:

- a substantial majority of our Board members are independent;
- the Audit and Risk, Compensation, and Corporate Governance Committees all comprise independent Directors;
- the Company has a Lead Non-Management Director with significant responsibilities, as described below; and
- the Non-employee Directors meet at each regularly scheduled Board meeting in executive session without management present.

Lead Non-Management Director

The responsibilities of the Lead Non-Management Director include:

- consulting with the Chairman and Secretary to establish the agenda for each Board meeting;
- setting the agenda for, and leading, all executive sessions of the Non-employee Directors;
- when appropriate, discussing with the Chairman matters addressed at such executive sessions;
- presiding over meetings of the Board at which the Chairman is not present;
- presiding over discussions of the Board when the topic presents a potential conflict of interest for the Chairman;
- facilitating discussions among the Non-employee Directors between Board meetings;
- serving as a liaison between the Non-employee Directors and the Chairman;
- when appropriate, serving as a liaison between management and the Board;
- representing the Board in shareholder outreach; and
- in coordination with the Chairman, facilitating the annual Board self-evaluation.

The Lead Non-Management Director has the authority to call meetings of the independent Directors.

Committee Structure

The Board has seven standing committees: Audit and Risk; Compensation; Corporate Development; Corporate Governance; Executive; Finance and Investment; and Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability. Each committee (other than the Executive Committee) operates under a written charter adopted by the Board. Charters for the Audit and Risk Committee, the Compensation Committee, and the Corporate Governance Committee all can be found on the Company's website, aflac.com, under "Investors," then "Governance," and then "Governance Documents."

All members of the Audit and Risk, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committees qualify as "outside" Directors as defined by Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, "Non-employee Directors" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and independent Directors under NYSE listing standards, as appropriate.

Board Committee Refreshment

The Corporate Governance Committee considers the periodic rotation of committee members and committee chairs to introduce fresh perspectives and to broaden and diversify the views and experience represented on Board committees. As Mr. Johnson is not being nominated to stand for re-election due to the Company's mandatory retirement policy, the Corporate Governance Committee has nominated Mr. Moskowitz to serve as Chairman of the Compensation Committee and join the Executive Committee effective May 4, 2020. Also, the Corporate Governance Committee has nominated Ms. Kiser to serve on the Audit and Risk Committee beginning May 4, 2020.

The Audit and Risk Committee

MEMBERS*



Karole F. Lloyd (Chair)



W. Paul Bowers



Joseph L. Moskowitz

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 2019 11

 * All members of the committee are Financial Experts

RESPONSIBILITIES

- ensuring that management maintains the reliability and integrity of the reporting process and systems of internal controls of the Company and its subsidiaries regarding finance, accounting, and legal matters;
- issuing annually the Audit and Risk Committee Report set forth below;
- selecting, overseeing, evaluating, determining funding for, and, where appropriate, replacing or terminating the independent registered public accounting firm;
- monitoring the independence of the independent registered public accounting firm;
- pre-approving audit and non-audit services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm;

- pre-approving or ratifying all related person transactions that are required to be disclosed in this Proxy Statement;
- overseeing the performance of the Company's internal auditing department;
- assisting with Board oversight of the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements;
- overseeing the Company's policies, process, and structure related to enterprise risk engagement and management, including information security; and
- providing an open avenue of communication among the independent registered public accounting firm, management, the internal auditing department, and the Board.

Relationship with Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. The independent registered public accounting firm has direct access to the Audit and Risk Committee and may discuss any matters that arise in connection with its audits, the maintenance of internal controls, and any other matters relating to the Company's financial affairs. The Audit and Risk Committee may authorize the independent registered public accounting firm to investigate any such matters, and may present its recommendations and conclusions to the Board. At least annually, the Audit and Risk Committee reviews the services performed and the fees charged by the independent registered public accounting firm. For additional information, see "Proposal 3: Ratification of Auditors" and the "Audit and Risk Committee Report" sections beginning on page 58.

All Audit and Risk Committee members have been determined by the Board to be "audit committee financial experts," as such term is defined in Item 401(h) of SEC Regulation S-K.

The Compensation Committee

MEMBERS



Robert B. Johnson (Chairman until May 4, 2020)



Joseph L. Moskowitz



Georgette D. Kiser



Katherine T. Rohrer

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 2019 5

RESPONSIBILITIES

- reviewing and approving compensation levels, equity-linked incentive compensation, and annual incentive awards under the Company's Management Incentive Plan;
- reviewing, at least annually, the goals and objectives of the Company's executive compensation plans;
- evaluating annually the performance of the CEO with respect to such goals and objectives and determining the appropriate compensation level;
- evaluating annually the performance of the Company's other executive officers in light of such goals and objectives and setting their compensation levels based on this evaluation and the recommendation of the CEO;

- reviewing the Company's incentive compensation programs to determine whether they encourage excessive risk taking, and evaluating compensation policies and practices that could mitigate any such risk; and
- reviewing the Company's general compensation and benefit plans to ensure they promote our goals and objectives.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation. No member of the Compensation Committee is a current or former employee or officer of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. During 2019, no Director was an executive officer of another entity on whose compensation committee any executive officer of the Company served. In addition, no member of the Compensation Committee had any relationship requiring disclosure under the section titled "Related Person Transactions" in this Proxy Statement.

The Corporate Development Committee

MEMBERS



W. Paul Bowers (Chairman)



Thomas J. Kenny



Joseph L. Moskowitz

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 2019 3

RESPONSIBILITIES

- reviewing the Company's corporate and strategic organizational development to identify, evaluate, and execute on appropriate opportunities that could enhance long-term growth and build shareholder value;
- assisting the Board in reviewing, evaluating, and approving specific strategic plans for corporate development activities, including mergers, acquisitions, dispositions, joint venture marketing and distribution arrangements, and strategic equity investments;
- assisting the Board in reviewing proposals to enter new geographic markets;

- reviewing corporate development proposals prepared by the Company's officers and managers and other strategic projects as determined by the Board to ensure consistency with the Company's long-term strategic objectives; and
- assisting the Board in monitoring the nature of investments made as part of Aflac Ventures in both the U.S. and Japan, including the Company's overall corporate venture capital strategy.

The Corporate Governance Committee

MEMBERS



Melvin T. Stith (Chairman)



Robert B. Johnson (until May 4, 2020)



Katherine T. Rohrer



Barbara K. Rimer, DrPH

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 2019 4

RESPONSIBILITIES

- selecting individuals qualified to serve as Directors to be nominated to stand for election to the Board;
- recommending assignments to the Board's standing committees;
- advising the Board with respect to matters of Board structure, composition, and procedures;
- developing and recommending to the Board a set of corporate governance principles applicable to the Company;

- monitoring compliance with the Company's political participation program;
- overseeing the evaluation of the Board; and
- ensuring that the Company's management and succession plans are appropriate.

The Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Committee

MEMBERS



Barbara K. Rimer, DrPH (Chair)



W. Paul Bowers



Thomas J. Kenny



Melvin T. Stith

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 2019 3

RESPONSIBILITIES

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- overseeing the Company's policies, procedures, and practices with respect to corporate social responsibility and sustainability, recognizing that these goals and initiatives vary widely among industries, organizations and geographies, in the context of what is appropriate and relevant to the Company, our people and the communities we serve;
- monitoring the impact of the Company's activities on customers, employees, communities, and other stakeholders in light of the Board's fundamental duty to preserve and promote long-term value creation for the Company's shareholders;
- monitoring and reviewing the Company's strategies, procedures, and practices related to social responsibility on a global basis, including significant philanthropic and community engagement activities;
- monitoring and reviewing the development of metrics, information systems, and procedures to track progress toward achievement of the Company's social responsibility objectives;
- monitoring preparation of the Company's annual Corporate Social Responsibility report, and reviewing such report before it is published; and
- monitoring and reviewing the Company's support of charitable, educational, and business organizations.

SUSTAINABILITY

- monitoring and reviewing the Company's policies, procedures, and practices related to corporate social responsibility and sustainability in light of the Company's intent to foster the sustainable growth of the Company on a global basis;
- monitoring and reviewing the Company's strategies, policies, procedures, and practices related to environmental and related health and safety matters;
- monitoring and reviewing the Company's policies, procedures, and practices that enable us to proactively respond to evolving public sentiment and government regulations with regard to sustainability, especially in the areas of environmental stewardship, energy use, recycling, and carbon emissions (i.e., our carbon footprint);
- reviewing the goals and objectives of the Company's environmental stewardship policy, and amending or, to the extent an amendment requires Board approval, recommending that the Board amend, these goals and objectives if the Committee deems appropriate; and
- reviewing the Company's communication and marketing strategies related to sustainability.

We believe "sustainable growth" means being able to meet the needs of our shareholders and customers while taking into account the needs of future generations, and also ensuring the long-term preservation and enhancement of the Company's financial, environmental, and social capital.

The Executive Committee

MEMBERS



Daniel P. Amos (Chairman)



W. Paul Bowers



Robert B. Johnson (until May 4, 2020)



Karole F. Lloyd



Melvin T. Stith

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 2019 4

PURPOSE

During the intervals between meetings of the Board, the Executive Committee may exercise all of the powers of the Board that may be delegated under Georgia law.

COMPOSITION

Under the Company's Bylaws, the Executive Committee must consist of at least five Directors, including the Chief Executive Officer, the Chairman of the Board, and such additional Directors as the Board may from time to time determine. Currently, the membership of the Executive Committee also includes the chairpersons of the Audit and Risk, Compensation, and Corporate Governance Committees, and includes the Company's Lead Non-Management Director. The Chief Executive Officer (or another member of the Executive Committee chosen by him) is the Chairman of the Executive Committee.

The Finance and Investment Committee

MEMBERS



Thomas J. Kenny (Chairman)



Daniel P. Amos



Toshihiko Fukuzawa



Karole F. Lloyd

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 2019 4

RESPONSIBILITIES

FINANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

- reviewing and reassessing significant financial policies and matters of Treasury and corporate finance, including the Company's overall capital structure, dividend policy, share repurchase program and liquidity, and the issuance or retirement of debt and other capital securities;
- reviewing and providing guidance to the Board on significant reinsurance transactions and strategies;
- reviewing and providing guidance on the Company's credit ratings, ratings strategy, and overall rating agency dialogue;
- reviewing and providing guidance to the Board on the financing strategy and capital impact of corporate development activities and multiyear strategic capital project expenditures;
- reviewing and reassessing the Company's overall hedging strategy, including foreign exchange and cash flow hedging, and ensuring proper governance over policies and procedures associated with trading in derivative instruments;
- in partnership with the Compensation Committee, overseeing the Company's processes for managing the finances of the employee pension and defined contribution benefit plans, including the related investment policies, actuarial assumptions, and funding policies; and
- in partnership with the Audit and Risk Committee, reviewing and providing guidance on the Company's corporate insurance coverages.

INVESTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- overseeing the investment process and the policies, strategies, and programs of the Company and its subsidiaries relating to investment risk management;
- periodically reviewing and assessing the adequacy of the Global Investment Policy of the Company and its subsidiaries, and approving any changes to that policy;
- reviewing and approving investment transactions made on behalf of the Company and its subsidiaries; and
- reviewing the performance of the investment portfolios of the Company and its subsidiaries.

Meeting Attendance

The Board met 4 times in 2019, and all Directors attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Board and the committees on which they served. It is Company policy that each Director should attend the Annual Meeting. All Directors serving at the time attended the 2019 Annual Meeting.

BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

Enterprise-Wide Risk Oversight

Our Board oversees an enterprise-wide approach to risk management designed to achieve organizational and strategic objectives, to improve long-term performance, and to enhance shareholder value. Risk management requires more than just understanding the risks we face and the steps management takes to manage those risks. The Board also must understand what level of risk is appropriate for the Company. Our Directors are equipped to make all of these determinations because they are integral to the process of setting the Company's business strategy.

While the Board oversees the risk-management process generally, several Board and management committees have specific roles that correspond with their areas of responsibility.

Role of Management

The Company's management is responsible for day-to-day risk management. Our enterprise risk-management framework, which is aligned with and overseen by the Board and its committees, includes several executive management committees whose roles incorporate risk management across the enterprise. For example, executive management's Global Risk Committee oversees the processes for identifying, assessing, measuring, monitoring, controlling, and mitigating the key risks associated with the Company. Other management committees are responsible for implementing policies and risk-management processes relating to strategic, operational, investment, competitive, regulatory and legislative, product, reputational, and compliance risks.

Spotlight on Information Security Risk Oversight

The Board has adopted an information security policy directing management to establish and operate an information security program with the goal of ensuring that the Company's information assets and data, and the data of its customers, are appropriately protected. The Board has delegated oversight of the Company's information security program to the Audit and Risk Committee. The Company's senior officers, including its Global Security and Chief Information Security Officer, are responsible for the operation of the information security program and regularly communicate with the Audit and Risk Committee on the program, including with respect to the state of the program, compliance with applicable regulations, current and evolving threats, and recommendations for changes in the information security program. The information security program also includes a cyber security incident response plan that is designed to provide a management framework across Company functions for a coordinated assessment and response to potential security Officer and other senior officers, with the goal of timely assessing such incidents, determining applicable disclosure requirements and communicating with the Audit and Risk Committee. The incident response plan directs the executive officers to report certain incidents immediately and chief lnformation Security Officer and other senior officers, with the goal of timely assessing such incidents, determining applicable disclosure requirements and communicating with the Audit and Risk Committee. The incident response plan directs the executive officers to report certain incidents immediately and directly to the Lead Non-Management Director.

Audit and Risk Committee

Under its charter, the Audit and Risk Committee's responsibilities include risk management and compliance oversight. Specifically, the Audit and Risk Committee:

- discusses guidelines and policies governing the process by which senior management and the relevant departments of the Company assess and manage exposure to risk;
- reviews the Company's risk assessment and enterprise risk-management framework, including risk-management guidelines, risk appetite, risk tolerances, key risk policies, and control procedures;

Corporate Governance Matters

- reviews critical regulatory risk-management filings and enterprise risk-management material shared with regulators and rating agencies;
- reviews the general structure, staffing models, and engagement of the Company's risk governance departments and practices;
- reviews the Company's major financial risk exposures and evaluates processes and controls that management has adopted to monitor and manage those risks;
- meets in executive session with key senior leaders involved in risk management;
- reviews with the internal auditors, the independent auditor, and the Company's financial management team the adequacy and effectiveness of our internal controls, including information security policies and internal controls regarding information security, and any special steps adopted in light of material control deficiencies; and
- reports to the Board, at least annually, with respect to matters related to key enterprise risks and risk management areas of concentration.

Finance and Investment Committee

The Finance and Investment Committee oversees the investment process and investment risk management of the Company and its subsidiaries by monitoring investment policies, strategies, and transactions and reviewing the performance of the investment portfolio and overall capital and liquidity position of the Company.

Investment process	The manner in which we invest cash flows of the Company and its subsidiaries and manage investments to emphasize safety, liquidity, returns, tax considerations, applicable laws and regulations, and conformity with the needs of the Company and its subsidiaries.	
Investment risk	Includes liquidity risk, market risk, and credit risk.	
Liquidity risk	When an investment is not marketable and cannot be bought or sold quickly enough to prevent or minimize a loss.	
Market risk	The risk that market movements will cause fluctuations in the value of our assets, the amount of our liabilities, or the income from our assets.	
Credit risk	The risk of loss arising from the failure of a counterparty to perform its contractual obligations.	
Enterprise: Capital & Liquidity risk	Review of enterprise capital adequacy, access to capital, and maintenance of liquidity position to protect credit ratings and the Company's ability to meet short and long-term obligations.	

Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee strives to create incentives that encourage a level of risk-taking behavior consistent with the Company's business strategy. As more fully discussed in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this Proxy Statement, the Compensation Committee establishes incentive compensation performance objectives for management that are realistically attainable so as not to encourage excessive risk taking.

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

The Company's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applies to all Directors, executives, and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries. In addition, there are provisions specifically applicable to the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Chief Accounting Officer. The Company intends to satisfy any disclosure requirements regarding amendments to, or waivers of, any provision of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics by posting such information on our website, aflac.com, under "Investors," then "Governance," then "Governance Documents."

Chief Executive Officer and Executive Management Succession Planning

The Board, in coordination with the Corporate Governance Committee, is responsible for succession planning for key executives to ensure continuity in senior management. As part of that effort, the Board and the Corporate Governance Committee ensure that the Company has an appropriate process for addressing Chief Executive Officer succession as a matter of regular planning and in the event of extraordinary circumstances.

The Chief Executive Officer plays an active role in the succession-planning process for other executive management positions. In coordination with the Company's executive management team, including the General Counsel and the Director of Human Resources, the Chief Executive Officer periodically evaluates potential successors, reviews development plans recommended for such individuals, and makes recommendations to the Corporate Governance Committee. Together these parties also identify potential successors for other critical executive management positions. In addition, the Chief Executive Officer reviews executive succession planning and management development at an annual executive session of independent Directors.

Commitment to Social Responsibility and Sustainability

As noted above, the Company has a dedicated, Board-level committee, which oversees the Company's policies, procedures, and practices with respect to corporate social responsibility and sustainability. Specifically, the Board, through this committee, receives updates on the business' focus on certain U.N. Sustainable Development Goals, environmental initiatives, workplace diversity and inclusion efforts, and philanthropic activities. The Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Committee also monitors the preparation of and reviews the Company's annual Corporate Social Responsibility report, which provide more detail around CSR and sustainability initiatives and which are available on our website, aflac.com, under "About Aflac," then "Corporate Citizenship."

Recently, the Company launched a digital ESG hub at esg.aflac.com. The purpose of the hub is to provide enhanced disclosures of the Company's environmental and social efforts. These disclosures align with the Global Reporting Initiative, United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures, and the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board.

Shareholder Outreach

The Company has a long history of engaging shareholders to learn about the issues and concerns that are important to them. We believe that open communications can have a positive influence on our corporate governance practices. For example, we are proud to have been the first publicly traded company in the United States to voluntarily allow shareholders a say-on-pay vote. In keeping with this governance philosophy, we communicate with our shareholders on a regular basis and incorporate their feedback into our decision-making process.

Our Approach

YEAR-ROUND ENGAGEMENT

Aflac Incorporated's Investor and Rating Agency Relations proactively engages year-round with shareholders and fixed income investors, both:

- current and prospective
- retail and institutional
- portfolio management and stewardship teams

These efforts often include executive management and extend to:

- proxy advisory firms,
- ESG rating firms and
- credit rating agencies

Both outside of and leading up to the annual meeting, the Vice President of Investor Relations and Corporate Secretary conduct meetings (in person when possible and by telepresence) and calls to update investors and regularly relay feedback to the Chairman, Lead Non-Management Director and the Board.



Communications with Directors

Shareholders and other interested parties may contact members of the Board by mail. If you wish to communicate with the Board, any individual Director, or any group or committee of Directors, address your correspondence to the Board or to such individual Director, group, or committee, c/o the Corporate Secretary of Aflac Incorporated, 1932 Wynnton Road, Columbus, Georgia 31999. The Corporate Secretary will forward any message that is not in the nature of advertising, promotions of a product or service, or patently offensive material.

Governance Documents

Charters for the Audit and Risk Committee, the Compensation Committee, and the Corporate Governance Committee, as well as the Company's Guidelines on Significant Corporate Governance Issues, the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and other governance-related documents, all can be found on the Company's website, aflac.com, under "Investors," then "Governance," then "Governance Documents." Shareholders can request printed copies of these documents by submitting a request to the Corporate Secretary at the address shown above.

DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Directors who also serve as employees of the Company or its subsidiaries do not receive compensation as Board members. The Compensation Committee reviews the policy regarding total compensation for Non-employee Directors at least every other year and recommends compensation to the Board consistent with that policy. When making its recommendation, the Compensation Committee considers a variety of factors, including the Non-employee Director pay packages at our peer group companies, the skills and backgrounds required of Non-employee Directors to serve on the Company's Board, and the balance between the cash and equity components of the package. The Board makes final determinations regarding Non-employee Director compensation.

Compensation Committee assess Director compensation and uses its independent compensation consultant to benchmark against peers every other year.

Cash Compensation

Cash compensation for the Non-employee Directors was as follows:

	May 1, 2019 to April 30, 2020	May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019
All Non-employee Directors	\$135,000 annually	\$115,000 annually
Audit and Risk Committee members	Additional \$10,000 annually	Additional \$10,000 annually
Chairs—Corporate Governance, Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability, Corporate Development, Finance and Investment	Additional \$20,000 annually	Additional \$20,000 annually
Chair—Audit and Risk	Additional \$30,000 annually	Additional \$30,000 annually
Chair—Compensation	Additional \$25,000 annually	Additional \$20,000 annually
Lead Non-Management Director	Additional \$50,000 annually	Additional \$35,000 annually

Non-employee Directors may elect to have all or a portion of their Board annual retainer paid in the form of immediately vested nonqualified stock options, restricted stock that vests after one year of continued service, or a combination thereof as determined by the Board. In 2019, one Non-employee Director elected to receive restricted stock in lieu of a cash annual retainer, and no Non-employee Director elected to receive stock options.

Equity Compensation

As shown below, Non-employee Directors also receive equity on a regular basis to ensure that their interests are aligned with those of our shareholders.

Timing of equity grant	Form of equity grant ⁽¹⁾	Value of equity grant ⁽²⁾
Upon joining the Board	nonqualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, or a combination thereof	aggregate value as determined by the Board not in excess of the value of a nonqualified stock option covering 20,000 shares of Common Stock
Annually, at the discretion of the Board	restricted stock, nonqualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, or a combination thereof	aggregate dollar value of approximately \$155,000

If the Board grants restricted stock, it may permit Non-employee Directors to elect to receive nonqualified stock options instead. In 2019, no one made this election.

⁽²⁾ The values of any stock options or stock appreciation rights are determined based upon the most current Black-Scholes-Merton three-year period valuation price of option shares as determined by the Compensation Committee's independent compensation consultant. For grants made in the three-year period of 2019 to 2021, our deemed fair value of a stock option is \$6.54.

Non-employee Directors are required to hold shares worth at least four times the amount of the annual cash retainer.

For additional information, please see "Stock Ownership Guidelines; Hedging and Pledging Restrictions" on page 44.

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Grants of stock options or, if elected, restricted stock, made to Non-employee Directors upon joining the Board become vested one year from the grant date, generally subject to continued service. Grants of restricted stock or, if elected, stock options, made to Non-employee Directors at the time of an annual meeting become vested at the next annual meeting, generally subject to continued service. Upon death or disability or a change in control of the Company, Non-employee Directors will become 100% vested in all outstanding options and stock awards.

Retirement Plans

The Company maintains a retirement plan for Non-employee Directors who have attained age 55 and completed at least five years of service on the Board, but that plan was closed to new participants effective 2002 and Dr. Rimer is the only Non-employee Director who participates in the retirement plan. The dollar value and length of payment of the annual retirement benefits were frozen effective May 3, 2010. For qualifying participants, payments under the plan begin upon termination of service as a Non-employee Director and continue for the shorter of the number of years the participant served as Non-employee Director prior to May 3, 2010, or the life of the participant (or, if applicable, his or her surviving spouse). On an annual basis, such payments are equal to the annual compensation paid to a participant during his or her service as a Non-employee Director during the 12-month period immediately preceding May 3, 2010, excluding committee fees, and subject to a cap of \$30,000 for the annual retainer fee and \$2,000 per meeting. The Non-employee Directors do not participate in any nonqualified deferred compensation plans.

2019 Director Compensation

The following table identifies each item of compensation paid to Non-employee Directors for 2019.

	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash ⁽²⁾	Stock Awards ⁽³⁾	Option Awards ⁽⁴⁾	•	All Other Compensation	Total
Name ⁽¹⁾	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	_u	(\$)	(\$)
W. Paul Bowers	205,000	155,046	_	_	_	360,046
Toshihiko Fukuzawa	125,000	155,046	_			280,046
Douglas W. Johnson*	62,500				_	62,500
Robert B. Johnson	150,000	155,046		_	_	305,046
Thomas J. Kenny	145,040	155,046			_	300,086
Georgette D. Kiser	77,083	130,847	_	_		207,930
Karole F. Lloyd	165,000	155,046	_		_	320,046
Joseph L. Moskowitz	135,000	155,046			_	290,046
Barbara K. Rimer, DrPH	145,000	155,046	_	17,115	_	317,161
Katherine T. Rohrer	125,000	155,046	_	_	_	280,046
Melvin T. Stith	145,000	155,046	_	_	_	300,046

* Douglas W. Johnson's term on the Board of Directors ended May 6, 2019.

Daniel P. Amos is not included in the table because he is an employee and thus did not receive compensation for his services as a Director. The compensation received by Mr. Amos as an employee is shown in the Summary Compensation Table.

(2) Thomas J. Kenny elected to receive a portion of his annual retainer in restricted stock. The value of these shares on the grant date was \$135,040.

⁽³⁾ This column represents the dollar amount recognized in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718 ("ASC 718") for financial statement purposes with respect to the 2019 fiscal year for the fair value of restricted stock granted in 2019. The fair values of the awards granted in 2019 were calculated using the closing per-share stock price on the date of grant of \$50.52 for the awards granted on May 6, 2019. As of December 31, 2019, the following Non-employee Directors held the following number of restricted stock awards: W. Paul Bowers, 3,069; Toshihiko Fukuzawa, 3,069; Robert B. Johnson, 3,069; Thomas J. Kenny, 5,742; Georgette D. Kiser, 2,590; Karole F. Lloyd, 3,069; Joseph L. Moskowitz, 3,069; Barbara K. Rimer, 3,069; Katherine T. Rohrer, 3,069; and Melvin T. Stith, 3,069.

⁽⁴⁾ No Directors received stock options in 2019. As of December 31, 2019, the following Non-employee Directors held stock options covering the following number of shares of Common Stock: Thomas J. Kenny, 29,470; Joseph L. Moskowitz, 41,729; and Barbara K. Rimer, 108,348.

⁽⁵⁾ Represents change in pension value. Barbara K. Rimer participates in the Directors' retirement plan. The other directors do not participate in the Directors' retirement plan since they first became Directors after the plan was closed to new participants in 2002.

Executive Compensation

Proposal 2

Executive Compensation ("Say-on-Pay")

We are committed to achieving a high level of total return for our shareholders. From the end of August 1990, when Daniel P. Amos was appointed the CEO, through December 31, 2019, the Company's total return to shareholders, including reinvested cash dividends, has exceeded 8,913%, compared with 2,111% for the Dow Jones Industrial Average, 1,748% for the S&P 500 Index, and 1,000% for the S&P 500 Life & Health Insurance Index over the same period.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote **FOR** our executive compensation.

We believe our compensation policies and procedures are centered on a pay-for-performance culture and are strongly aligned with the long-term interests of our shareholders. Beginning in 2008, we voluntarily provided our shareholders an annual advisory vote (commonly known as "Say-on-Pay"), which is now required by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. In accordance with Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this vote gives you as a shareholder the opportunity to endorse or not endorse the compensation of our named executive officers through the following resolution:

"Resolved, on an advisory basis, the shareholders of Aflac Incorporated approve the compensation of the named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis and accompanying tables and narrative in the Notice of 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement."

Because your vote is advisory, it will not be binding upon the Board. However, the Compensation Committee will take into account the outcome of the vote when considering future executive compensation arrangements.

COMPENSATION DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis ("CD&A") provides a detailed description of our executive compensation philosophy and programs, the decisions made by the Compensation Committee related to those programs, and the factors considered when making those decisions.

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Executive Compensation

This CD&A focuses on our named executive officers ("NEOs") for 2019, who were:



DANIEL P. AMOS Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President*



FREDERICK J. CRAWFORD Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer*



ERIC M. KIRSCH Executive Vice President, Global Chief Investment Officer; President, Aflac Global Investments



CHARLES D. LAKE II President, Aflac International; Chairman and Representative Director, Aflac Life Insurance Japan



MASATOSHI KOIDE

President and Representative Director, Aflac Life Insurance Japan

Effective January 1, 2020, Mr. Crawford was promoted to President, Chief Operating Officer.

Executive Summary

Pay-For-Performance Compensation Philosophy

Our compensation programs are designed to ensure that a substantial amount of executive pay is directly linked to the Company's results. We believe this is the most effective method for creating shareholder value and that it has played a significant role in making the Company an industry leader. Importantly, performance-based elements of our compensation programs apply to all levels of Company management—not just the executive officers. In fact, pay-for-performance components permeate compensation at every employee level. As a result, we are able to attract, retain, motivate, and reward talented individuals who have the necessary skills to manage our growing global business on a day-to-day basis and to position the Company for success in the future.

The Board's independent compensation consultant, Mercer LLC, works with the Compensation Committee to review executive compensation practices, including the competitiveness of pay levels, design issues, market trends, and other technical considerations.

Our executive compensation program is designed to drive shareholder value via three critical features:

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A pay-for-performance philosophy and compensation program structure that directly motivates our executives to achieve our annual and long-term strategic and operational goals Compensation elements that help us attract and retain high-caliber talent to lead the Company



"Best practice" compensation governance policies, such as stock ownership guidelines, clawback provisions, and no change-incontrol excise tax gross-ups

2019 Business Overview

TSR	The Company's	cash dividend +3.8%	annual tsr +18.6%	3 YEAR TSR +62.5%
	stock hit an all-time high during the year.	We increased our cash dividend by 3.8% , marking the 37th consecutive year of increasing the dividend.	Our annual total shareholder return* was 18.6% , versus 23.2% for the S&P 500 Life and Health Insurance subindex.	Our annual total shareholder return* was 62.5% , versus 13.6% for the S&P 500 Life and Health Insurance subindex.
Financial Highlights	return on equity 12.6%	NET EARNINGS \$3.3B	ADJUSTED EPS ⁽¹⁾ +6.3%	
	We generated a strong return on equity of 12.6%, and our AROE for the full year was 15.1%.	We generated net earnings of \$3.3 billion , an increase of 13.2% over 2018.	Adjusted earnings per dilu impact of foreign currency	•
Capital	share repurchase \$1.6B		regulatory capital rat 1,043%	'IOS*
	We repurchased approxima		Aflac Japan Solvency Mar	gin Ratio
	Company's shares as part of allocation program.	of a balanced capital	539%	
			Aflac Risk Based Capital	

* As of December 31, 2019

⁽¹⁾ The adjusted earnings per share, excluding the impact of foreign currency, metric is one of the principal financial measures used to evaluate management's performance, and we believe it continues to be a key driver of shareholder value.

On December 3, 2018, the Company gave guidance for 2019 consolidated adjusted earnings per diluted share of \$4.10 to \$4.30 using an exchange rate of 110 ¥/\$, which on a currency-neutral basis and normalized for certain tax items identified in 2018 equated to approximately a 3% increase. With the release of first quarter 2019 earnings, the Company affirmed the outlook at the 2018 weighted-average exchange rate of 110.39 ¥/\$. After consistent strong performance in the first three quarters of 2019, the Company upwardly revised the range to \$4.35 to \$4.45. Ultimately, the Company reported adjusted earnings per diluted share of \$4.44, or \$4.42 excluding the effect of foreign currency, after continued strong performance driven by strong pretax profit margins supported by favorable benefit ratios and net investment income in Japan and the U.S., and disciplined capital management.

Executive Compensation

In 2019 the Company advanced the vision of offering high-quality supplemental products, solutions, and service through diverse distribution outlets, building upon our market-leading position to drive long-term shareholder value.

- In Japan, management continued to strengthen relationships with customers and agencies by focusing on a new rider strategy. This rider strategy allowed Aflac Japan medical policyholders to update their existing coverage for advances in medical treatment as well as their stage in life by adding a mid-term rider to their existing policy without having to lapse. With this more flexible approach, Aflac Japan not only attracts and retains new customers, but also lowers new product refreshment costs and improves persistency. This strategy was instrumental in maintaining the Company's status as the leading provider of both medical and cancer insurance in Japan. Results reflect a sharp decline in the sale of cancer products after Japan Post Group announced an internal investigation into the sale of insurance products through Japan Post Co., Ltd. and Japan Post Insurance Co., Ltd. While the investigation and eventual suspension of sale of Japan Post Insurance products did not involve the sale of Aflac Japan cancer policies, the events had a negative impact on cancer sales in the postal network. Despite the competitive market for cancer and medical insurance products, the persistent low interest rate environment in Japan and higher expenses related to technology investments and marketing, the Company exceeded its financial objectives—driving Aflac Japan's pretax profit margin to the high end of the forecasted range.
- In keeping with our vision to be the number one distributor of benefit solutions supporting the U.S. workforce, Aflac U.S. management continued to focus on serving the benefit needs of small businesses with its extensive agent distribution channel, as well as the needs of larger employers by continuing to build relationships with brokers. Results partially reflect a decline in recruiting and retention of commission-only agents in a strong economic environment. At the same time, Aflac U.S. continued to advance efforts to reach workers through a direct-to-consumer platform and associate partnerships. While the Company has been known for its organic growth, 2019 was also marked by prudent investments to promote growth and to drive efficiencies. Most notably, Aflac took an opportunity to accelerate growth through a measured buy-to-build transaction with the acquisition of Argus Dental and Vision. While these investments were largely responsible for the elevated expense ratio, Aflac U.S.'s pretax profit margin ended the year in the middle of the forecasted range.

Management and the Board are committed to ensuring comprehensive risk management and to safeguarding the Company's financial strength. In 2019, core capital strength measures remained very strong. The Company's strong capital and cash flow positions continue to support our financial strength ratings, which are among the highest in the industry, and our 37-year track record of increased Common Stock dividends.

Summary of Our Executive Compensation Program

As a leader in our industry segment, we recognize that a sound executive management compensation program is one of the things that make us an employer of choice. Our executive compensation program directly links compensation incentives with our business goals and shareholder interests.

We consider annual and long-term incentive compensation to be the most important compensation awarded; these pay elements represent the largest part of total rewards for executives and provide the strongest link to Company results and shareholder value creation. Moreover, incentive compensation enables us to attract, retain, motivate, and reward talented individuals who have the necessary skills to manage our growing global enterprise now and for the future. Due to our focus on incentive compensation, base salary is the smallest component of compensation for the NEOs.

KEY ELEMENTS OF OUR 2019 EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION PROGRAM

CEO pay mix and Element	Terms	Performance Measure(s)	Objective
Base salary [11%]	The fixed amount of annual cash compensation for performing day-to-day responsibilities. Generally reviewed biennially for potential increase based on a number of factors, including market levels, performance, and internal equity.	Levels set based on market data, job scope, responsibilities, experience, and individual performance.	Attract and retain talent
Management Incentive Plan ("MIP")	Annual variable cash compensation based on the achievement of predetermined annual performance goals.	 Performance metrics align with our business strategy, geographic segment goals, and key value drivers: Corporate goal: adjusted earnings per diluted share, excluding the impact of foreign currency U.S. goals: increase in new annualized premium, increase in earned premium Japan goals: new annualized premium (third sector and first sector protection sales), increase in earned premium (third sector and first sector protection sales), increase in pretax adjusted earnings Global Investments goals: net investment income; credit losses/impairments Performance goals are rigorous and set to align the Company's business plan with the expectation of achieving target performance. 	 Motivate executives and reward annual operational and strategic performance Drive enterprise growth Focus on key near-term drivers of long-term value for our business Retain key talent Exercise sound risk- management practices
Long-term incentives ("LTI")	Long-term variable equity awards granted annually in performance-based restricted stock ("PBRS") (100% of LTI for the CEO and other NEOs) under the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan. PBRS vests based on three-year financial performance.	AROE, Risk-Based Capital ("RBC"), and Solvency Margin Ratio ("SMR") are metrics that affect our long-term business strategy and operating environment. Payout is also contingent on a relative TSR modifier.	 Motivate executives and reward long- term operational and strategic performance Focus on key long- term value drivers for our business Align executives' interests with shareholders' interests Retain key talent Exercise sound risk- management practices

Outcome of 2019 Say-on-Pay Vote

The Company has a history and a well-earned reputation with its shareholders as a transparent organization. That commitment to transparency on all levels was a driving force behind our decision in 2008 to allow shareholders a "say-on-pay" advisory vote, years before such votes became mandatory for most public companies. In 2019, 96% of our shareholders voted in favor of our executive compensation program.

Consistent with our approach in prior years, the Company engaged in shareholder outreach efforts throughout 2019. The feedback from these conversations, together with a thorough analysis of best practices and guidance from our compensation consultant, was incorporated into the Compensation Committee's regular review of our compensation programs.

Compensation program changes, if any, are made with a focus on ensuring that pay is aligned with Company performance and corporate strategy. We continually analyze our compensation program to ensure that we remain current in our approaches, a leader in executive compensation best practices, and cognizant of shareholder concerns. Moreover, we pride ourselves on incorporating ethics and transparency into everything we do, including compensation disclosure. Accordingly, we will continue our review and dialogue with investors to determine if additional changes are warranted.

Compensation Design and Philosophy

Strong Compensation Governance Policies and Leader in Best Practices

The Company has long been a leader in corporate governance best practices. Our executive compensation programs reflect the strong, long-standing governance policies outlined below.

What We Do 🕑

- ✓ First public company in the U.S. to provide shareholders with a say-on-pay vote (voluntary action starting in 2008, three years before such votes were required)
- Prioritize active engagement with our shareholders regarding our compensation program
- History of responding to our shareholders' feedback
- Adherence to a rigorous pay-for-performance philosophy in establishing program design and targeted pay levels for NEOs
- Independent Compensation Committee oversees the program
- Independent compensation consultant is hired by and reports to the Compensation Committee
- Annual report by the independent compensation consultant to the full Board on CEO pay and performance alignment
- ✓ Long-standing stock ownership guidelines for executive officers and Directors
- Long-standing clawback policy
- Double trigger requirements in all employment agreements with change-incontrol provisions

What We Don't Do 🙁

- ✗ No golden parachute payments for CEO following a change in control
- ✗ Officers and Directors may not implement 10b5-1 plans unless approved by the Compensation Committee
- ✗ All employees are prohibited from hedging or engaging in short sales of Company stock
- ✗ Executive officers and Directors may not pledge Company stock
- ✗ No repricing underwater stock options
- ✗ No change-in-control excise tax gross-ups

Process of Setting Executive Compensation

Independent Compensation Consultant

The Compensation Committee has retained a nationally recognized compensation consultant, Mercer LLC ("Mercer"), to assist and advise the Compensation Committee in designing and refining the Company's executive compensation program. Mercer typically assists in the following areas:

- providing comparative company performance to determine NEO compensation;
- evaluating the competitiveness of the Company's executive compensation and benefit programs;
- reviewing plan design issues and recommending improvements;

- apprising the Compensation Committee of trends and developments in the marketplace;
- assessing the relationship between executive pay and performance;
- assessing proposed performance goals and ranges for incentive plans;
- conducting training sessions for the Compensation Committee; and
- proposing the compensation for Non-employee Directors.

Fees paid to Mercer for these services totaled \$220,225 in 2019. Management retained certain Mercer affiliates to provide additional services not pertaining to executive compensation during 2019, and approved payments for those services totaling \$36,255. In addition, as the Company grows the sales of its insurance products through brokers in the U.S., this has resulted in commission payments totaling \$34,834,880 during 2019 to the broker subsidiaries of Mercer. These subsidiaries are separate from the subsidiary that provides compensation consulting to the Company. As reported by Mercer to the Compensation Committee, the total payments from the Company represented less than 0.21% of Mercer's parent company's annual revenue. The Compensation Committee assessed Mercer's independence pursuant to SEC rules and concluded that no conflict of interest exists with respect to the work Mercer performs for the Committee.

Importance of the Peer Group

The Compensation Committee sets target compensation for the NEOs at market competitive levels with the assistance of its independent compensation consultant. Factors considered include target pay levels in the market for comparable roles, the primary duties and responsibilities of the role at the Company, and the individual's relevant experience and performance.

As discussed in this CD&A, the Compensation Committee considers our peer group when setting compensation amounts and targets. Each year, the Compensation Committee, with the assistance of its independent compensation consultant, reviews the composition of the peer group to ensure it remains appropriate. Key factors the Compensation Committee considers during this annual review include operating characteristics, revenue size, asset size, profitability, market value, and total number of employees. Based on the annual review, the Compensation Committee selects a peer group of companies that are engaged in businesses similar to that of the Company, are of a similar size as the Company, and compete against the Company for talent. In terms of the size factors considered, the Company is positioned near the middle of this group.

2019 Peer Group

- The Allstate Corporation
- Assurant, Inc.
- Brighthouse Financial
- The Chubb Corporation
- CNO Financial Group, Inc.
- The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.
- Humana Inc.
- Lincoln National Corporation
- Manulife Financial Corporation
- MetLife, Inc.

- Principal Financial Group, Inc.
- The Progressive Corporation
- Prudential Financial, Inc.
- The Travelers Companies, Inc.
- Unum Group

The 2019 peer group reflects two changes from the peer group used in 2018. First, Aetna Inc. was removed because it was acquired by CVS Health, and its operating characteristics are unlike the Company's other peers. Second, CIGNA Corporation was removed following its acquisition of Express Scripts and is much larger in revenue size than the peer group norm.

The data below shows how the Company's revenues, total assets, and market value compare to the peer group medians:

(\$ millions)	Revenue ⁽¹⁾	Total Assets ⁽²⁾	Market Value ⁽²⁾
Aflac Incorporated	\$22,307	\$152,768	\$38,830
Peer Median	\$31,581	\$119,950	\$35,349
Percentile Rank for Aflac Incorporated vs. Peers	44th	54th	69th

⁽¹⁾ For the year ending December, 31, 2019.

⁽²⁾ As of December 31, 2019.

Performance-Based Compensation: How Performance Goals Are Set

The Board and the Compensation Committee believe it is important for the Company to manage the business to provide long-term value to our shareholders. Therefore, performance goals under the MIP and LTI program involve metrics that drive shareholder returns, and payouts depends entirely upon the level of achievement of those goals. The following sections provide detail on how we select metrics under the MIP and LTI program, determine performance target amounts and other important considerations in setting these targets.

We have used the same methodology for setting MIP goals for many years. MIP segment metrics for Aflac U.S., Aflac Japan, and Global Investments are consistent with assumptions used in developing segment financial projections (described below) based on the Company's best estimates for the coming year. The segment projections are consolidated into the corporate financial projection used to develop earnings per share guidance.

The goal-setting process generally proceeds in two stages.

- 1. The Company's CEO, President and COO, and CFO recommend to the Compensation Committee the specific Company performance objectives that are aligned with corporate strategy, and thus will drive shareholder value and ensure financial soundness. Recommended ranges are based, in part, on past performance results and scenario tests of the Company's financial outlook as projected by a complex financial model. The model projects the impact on various financial measures using different levels of total new annualized premium, investment returns, budgeted expenses, morbidity, and persistency.
- 2. The Compensation Committee refers to these modeled results to establish a target performance level, as well as a minimum and maximum level, for each performance measure. The target goal is not equidistant between the minimum and maximum goals. Instead, for the majority of metrics the MIP payout curve is "sloped" to require significant above-target performance to achieve a maximum goal (or better) is twice the target payout. No payouts are made for performance below the minimum goal. Interpolation is used to calculate incentive payouts for results between minimum and target goals or target and maximum goals. The 2019 MIP goals were approved by the Compensation Committee in February 2019.

For 2019, the Compensation Committee established the following metrics under the MIP:

- Corporate Metric: Adjusted earnings per diluted share excluding foreign currency effect
- U.S. Segment: New Annualized Premium and Earned Premium
- · Japan Segment: New Annualized Premium, Earned Premium, and Pretax Adjusted Earnings
- · Global Investment Metrics: Net Investment Income (U.S. and Japan GAAP Segments only) and Credit Losses/Impairments

Considerations in setting the target goal amount for each of these MIP metrics are described in more detail below.

Importance of Measuring Management's Performance Excluding the Impact of Currency

Since 1991, the Company has communicated external earnings guidance that excludes foreign currency effects. Similarly, MIP objectives are set on a currency-neutral basis.

Aflac Japan's performance is important to our results, as the Japan segment reflects approximately 69% of total revenues for the year ending December 31, 2019. The Company's reported U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") revenue, earnings, assets, book value, and cash flow are affected by changes in the relative values of the yen and the dollar, which is outside management's control. Recognizing that strengthening and weakening of the yen can affect the value of the Company's shares, the Compensation Committee believes it is important to ensure that executives bear the same exposure to the yen/ dollar exchange rate as our shareholders and that equity awards under the LTI program and stock ownership requirements serve to align management with shareholders. When setting the MIP objectives, the Compensation Committee strongly believes that management should not be unduly rewarded because of short-term movement in the yen/dollar exchange rate when the yen is strong or penalized in periods of yen weakening when those currency shifts influence key incentive compensation metrics.

MIP Target-Setting Considerations

In addition to currency neutrality, the Compensation Committee considers the prior year's results, current business operating environment and the forecasts emerging from the Company's strategic planning process when setting MIP objectives for each metric. For example, new product launches and distribution expansion can materially affect the Company's sales results in Japan from one year to the next. In addition, low interest rates were expected to continue in 2019, especially in Japan. A low-rate environment would continue to pressure Aflac Japan's net investment income, as private placement investments were called or matured, and lead the Company to continue actively managing down sales of first sector savings-type products, which have returns that are more interest-rate sensitive. The goals for these metrics are generally consistent with the Company's public guidance as provided during the annual December Outlook Call.

CORPORATE METRIC

In 2018, the Company generated \$2.9 billion in net earnings and an increase in adjusted earnings per diluted share on a currencyneutral basis of 21.5% to \$4.13, driven by strength in core margins, investment income and a lower effective tax rate resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act signed into law on December 22, 2017 ("U.S. Tax Reform"). These results were above the (split-adjusted) range of \$3.90 to \$4.06 a share, assuming the 2017 weighted-average exchange rate of 112.16 yen to the dollar, which was upwardly revised with the release of better than expected earnings for the first half of 2018. In addition, these results were especially meaningful given the low-interest-rate environment in Japan and increased expenses associated with the build-out of our technology platform in both segments. Within the context of Japan's low-rate environment, we planned to continue shifting capital away from lower return, asset-leveraged first sector savings products to higher return third sector business. The impact of this strategy emerges over time in the form of improved Japan regulatory earnings and cash flow but pressured GAAP revenues and earnings over the course of the transition. We expect our third sector benefit ratio to continue benefiting from favorable claims trends. Likewise, in the U.S., our assumptions included a continuation of experiencing favorable benefit ratios and underlying claims trends. At the same time, we expected expense ratios to be elevated in both segments as a result of continued investment in IT platforms and digital growth initiatives. We assumed net investment income to be stabilized in Japan but still pressured by low rates, while also challenged by our planned capital draw down in the U.S. When taken all together, the Compensation Committee increased the 2019 adjusted earnings per diluted share, excluding the impact of foreign currency, target and range from 2018 levels, and "sloped" those goals as described above in order to properly challenge management to achieve maximum payout results.

U.S. AND JAPAN SEGMENT METRICS

In 2018, Aflac U.S. sales increased 3.16% to \$1.6 billion, which amounted to the largest sales year in the history of Aflac U.S. The 2018 sales were driven by improvements in productivity and strong growth in broker distribution. In addition, net earned premium increased 2.61% and benefited from strong sales and record persistency, which was 78.7% at the end of 2018.

Looking into 2019, Aflac U.S. expected to maintain its dominance in the small case market (i.e., employers with less than 100 employees) through agency distribution and an expanding broker business, which was growing at a faster rate than agency distribution. In the U.S., metrics take into account long-term growth strategies that require near-term investment such as expansion of network dental and vision and direct to consumer digital sale of insurance products. On the back of such success in 2018, the Company expected Aflac U.S. to deliver stable sales growth in 2019 within a range of 3% to 5.5% driven by improved productivity of agents and brokers and stable persistency which led to 2% to 3% growth of net earned premium in 2019.

Also, 2018 marked Aflac Japan's largest combined sales of third sector and first sector protection in a decade, with ¥93.9 billion in sales, which was largely driven by the very successful launch of new cancer insurance products, Days 1 and Days 1 Plus, through all distribution channels, including more than 20,000 Japan Post offices. Aflac Japan planned to continue focusing on third sector sales complemented to a lesser degree by the sales of first sector protection insurance products in 2019 primarily in exclusive agencies. However, the successful launch of new cancer insurance products in 2018 presented challenging comparable sales for 2019, and the 2019 sales strategy included the introduction of a new mid-term rider strategy for medical insurance policies. While this mid-term rider strategy preserves and builds upon the favorable economics of Aflac Japan's inforce policies, the strategy naturally pressures sales as defined by incremental annual rider premium versus the additional premium that would accompany the sale of a whole policy. Therefore, the Company expected third sector and first sector protection sales to decline in the low-single-digit range. At the same time, certain medical policies sold on a limited pay basis in prior years would reach paid up status, and the related negative impact would be reflected in third sector earned premium. As a result, the Compensation Committee concluded that a lower range for sales and earned premium for third and first sector protection products that incorporated the success of the prior year and new rider strategy was justified for 2019. The Compensation Committee set a range of ¥86.4 billion to ¥94.4 billion for third sector and first sector protection earned premium to increase 0.75% to 1.6%.

GLOBAL INVESTMENTS METRICS

For 2019, Aflac Japan net investment income including hedge costs was expected to modestly decline, driven by higher yielding calls and maturities with lower projected reinvestment yields, reducing yen stable income. In addition, we expected overall spread compression on fixed rate yen and dollar asset classes including floaters. Partially offsetting these headwinds, the Company planned increased net investment income from the build-out of the U.S. dollar floating rate portfolio and growth in the alternatives portfolio, which increased variable net investment income.

The Company also expected net investment income for Aflac U.S. to decline, partially reflecting lower yields and spreads as well as a reduction of assets as part of the RBC drawdown strategy, which modestly shifted net investment income from our Aflac U.S. segment to Aflac Incorporated.

Strong outperformance in 2018 as well as the growing floating rate and alternatives portfolios resulted in widening and sloping of the net investment income MIP metrics. In order to properly balance income and risk, targets for 2019 were expressed as a range around budget based on a bottom-up review of asset allocation and cash flows and were sloped accordingly to require above budget performance for maximum payout while not encouraging excessive risk-taking.

Equity Granting Policies

Each year, typically in February, the Compensation Committee meets shortly after the Company's fiscal year results are released to the public. At that time, the Compensation Committee reviews recommendations developed by the CEO, President and COO, and CFO (with input from Mercer) for LTI awards of PBRS, stock options, and time-based restricted stock. Option grants are awarded on the date of the meeting, and have a per share exercise price set at the closing price on the date of grant. The Company has never engaged in "backdating" of options. For PBRS, the specific Company performance objectives are aligned with long-term corporate strategy, and thus are intended to drive shareholder value and ensure financial soundness.

For 2019, the Compensation Committee established the following metrics for the 2019 PBRS grant:

- Adjusted Return on Shareholders' Equity
- Risk Based Capital
- Solvency Margin Ratio

Total Shareholder Return Relative to Peer Group (RTSR) acts as a modifier. The Company may periodically make additional equity grants during the course of the year, but as a matter of policy does not make equity grants in advance of material news releases.

2019 Executive Compensation

Elements of Our Executive Compensation Program

Base Salary

The base salaries of our executive officers are competitively positioned relative to comparable executives at our peers and in the broader insurance sector, generally targeting market median, but also reflect each individual's scope of responsibilities and performance. The Compensation Committee uses comparative market data for salaries in reviewing and determining the CEO's salary, and the CEO uses the market data to inform his recommendations to the Compensation Committee regarding the salaries of the other executive officers.

Mr. Amos has not received a salary increase in the last eight years. Mr. Crawford and Mr. Lake did not receive a salary increase in 2019. Mr. Kirsch and Mr. Koide received base salary increases of approximately 9.5% and 15%, respectively, to align their base salaries competitively relative to similar roles in the market and to help secure their continued service and leadership for the Company.

Management Incentive Plan

All NEOs are eligible to participate in the MIP, an annual non-equity incentive plan, which was originally submitted to and approved by shareholders in 2012. The current MIP, which became effective January 1, 2018, was approved by shareholders in 2017.

TARGET MIP

The Compensation Committee, with assistance from its independent compensation consultant, established target MIP levels for 2019 for the NEOs. These targets, shown below, were determined to be competitive generally relative to market median targets for executives with comparable positions within our peer group.

The MIP payouts for the NEOs cannot exceed two times their target.

Named Executive Officer	Target MIP (as percent of base salary)
Daniel P. Amos	220%
Frederick J. Crawford	125%
Eric M. Kirsch	200%
Charles D. Lake II	100%
Masatoshi Koide	115%

MIP PERFORMANCE METRICS

The performance measures are weighted differently for each NEO and for all other officer levels in the Company. We vary the weightings to reflect how each position can and should influence the outcome of particular metrics.

Metric	Compensation Rationale			Weighting		
		Daniel P.	Frederick J.	Eric M.	Charles D.	Masatoshi
		Amos	Crawford	Kirsch	Lake II	Koide
Corporate Objective						
Adjusted earnings per diluted	Growth in adjusted earnings	45.45%	41.60%	22.50%	24.00%	29.57%
share on a consolidated basis	per diluted share, excluding the					
for the Company (excluding	impact of foreign currency, is					
foreign currency effect)	computed using the average					
This is calculated as:	yen/dollar exchange rate for					
	the prior year, which eliminates					
Adjusted earnings, excluding	fluctuations from currency rates					
the impact of foreign currency*	that can magnify or suppress					
÷ Weighted-average diluted	reported results in dollar terms.					
shares outstanding						
Subtotal		45.45%	41.60%	22.50%	24.00%	29.57 %
U.S. Segment						
New Annualized Premium	New annualized premium is	9.09%	8.00%	2.50%	_	_
(increase over 2018)	policies sold and converted					
	during the reporting period.					
Earned Premium (increase		9.09%	8.00%	2.50%	_	_
over 2018)						
Subtotal		18.18%	16.00%	5.00%	_	_
Japan Segment						
New Annualized Premium	Focuses on maintaining our	13.64%	17.20%	3.75%	32.00%	25.22%
(third sector and first sector	leadership position in cancer					
protection sales)	and medical (third sector)					
Earned Premium	insurance while also offering	13.64%	17.20%	3.75%	32.00%	14.78%
(increase in third sector and	first sector protection products.	13.0470	17.20%	5.75%	52.00%	14.7070
first sector protection sales)	Both third sector and first sector					
list sector protection sales	protection products are less					
	interest-rate sensitive than					
	savings-type products and have					
	strong and stable margins.					
Pretax Adjusted Earnings		_	_	_	_	30.43%
(increase over 2018)						
Subtotal		27.28 %	34.40%	7.50%	64.00%	70.43%
Global Investments						
Net Investment Income	Recognizes the need to	9.09%	8.00%	45.00%	12.00%	_
(U.S. and Japan GAAP	responsibly invest the premium					
Segments only)	and other cash flows to					
	maximize the risk-adjusted					
Credit Losses/Impairments	performance of our portfolio,	_	_	20.00%	_	_
	subject to our liability profile and					
	capital requirements.					
Subtotal		9.09%	8.00%	65.00%	12.00%	
Subtotal		3.0370	0.0070	00.0070	12.00/0	

Adjusted earnings, excluding the impact of foreign currency, is not calculated in accordance with GAAP. See the Appendix to this Proxy Statement for a definition for this non-GAAP financial measure and a reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP measure.

Executive Compensation

2019 MIP TARGETS AND ACTUAL PERFORMANCE

Corporate Metric

Adjusted earnings per share on a currency-neutral basis for the full year came in at \$4.42 per share, at the upper end of our upwardly revised guidance range of \$4.35 to \$4.45 per share. Adjusted earnings reflect stronger than expected net investment income, especially in Japan, and lower expenses.

U.S. Segment Metrics

Aflac U.S. sales and U.S. earned premium decreased 1.3% and 1.8%, respectively, in 2019, which resulted in zero MIP payout for these metrics. Sales below the target range and higher than anticipated lapse rates have led to earned premium growth below the bottom of the range. Results partially reflect a decline in recruiting and retention of commission-only agents in a strong economic environment.

Japan Segment Metrics

Aflac Japan's sales decreased in 2019 primarily due to the impact of lower Japan Post sales following the very successful cancer insurance launch in the 2nd quarter of 2018. Results reflect a sharp decline in the sale of cancer products after Japan Post Group announced an internal investigation into the sale of insurance products through Japan Post Co., Ltd. and Japan Post Insurance Co., Ltd. While the investigation and eventual suspension of sale of Japan Post Insurance products did not involve the sale of Aflac Japan cancer policies, the events had a negative impact on cancer sales in the postal network. While non-Japan Post channels have performed as planned for the year, our other distribution channels did not fully offset the decline in Japan Post group sales. However, Japan third sector and first sector protection earned premium remained on track and increased 1.3%, in line with our expectations.

Global Investments Metrics

In 2019, interest rates fell in both Japan and the U.S., including the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), U.S. Treasury rates, and Japanese Government Bond rates. The higher allocation and accelerated investment in dollar-denominated floating rate and alternative assets for both Aflac Japan and Aflac U.S. helped drive net investment income for the year. Pretax variable investment income for the full year was \$32 million, of which \$21 million was above the target for 2019. Hedge costs for Aflac Japan's U.S. dollar portfolio for the full year were \$257 million, 8.9% higher than the prior year but favorable to target for 2019. Overall credit conditions and asset quality remained strong for the year and allowed us to do some targeted de-risking across the portfolio. This included reducing our exposure to public equity markets.

Please refer to the 2019 Business Overview section beginning on page 29 for additional information.

Actual performance relative to 2019 MIP targets was determined after the end of the year and presented to the Compensation Committee for discussion and approval at its February 2020 meeting. The following table shows the corporate and business segment metrics, objectives, and results for the 2019 MIP awards.

				2019 Payout
	Minimum	Target	Maximum	Percentages vs
	Goal	Goal	Goal	Target
Corporate Metric:		2019 /	Actual \$4.42	200%
Adjusted earnings per diluted share on a consolidated basis	.		.	
for the Company (excluding foreign currency effect) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$4.10	\$4.20	\$4.35	
U.S. Segment Metrics:	2019 Actual	(1.31%)		0%
Increase in New Annualized Premium				
	3.00%	4.00%	5.50%	
Increase in Earned Premium	2019 Actual	1.75%		0%
	1.90%	2.60%	3.40%	
Japan Segment Metrics:	2019 Actual	¥78.20B		0%
Increase in New Annualized Premium in billions of Yen				
(third sector and first sector protection sales)	¥86.40B	¥90.20B	¥94.40B	
Increase in Earned Premium	20)19 Actual 1.30%		136.07%
(third sector and first sector protection sales)				
	0.75%	1.13%	1.60%	
Increase in Pretax Adjusted Earnings ⁽²⁾		2019 Ac	tual (0.09%)	181.92%
	(4.50%)	(2.78%)	0.50%	
Global Investments Metrics:	20	19 Actual Budge	et plus 2.48%	191.57%
Net Investment Income				
(U.S. and Japan GAAP segments only) ⁽³⁾	Budget minus 2.2%	Budget	Budget plus 2.7%	
Credit Losses/Impairments (in millions) ⁽⁴⁾		2019	Actual (\$62)	200%
	(\$425)	(\$250)	(\$100)	

⁽¹⁾ The target corresponds to a .96% increase from the 2018 base of \$4.16 per diluted share (net of foreign currency effect).

(2) In February 2020, the Compensation Committee excluded net make-whole income over \$15 million (exclusion of \$11 million) and the accretion from previously impaired securities totaling approximately \$14 million. This change was made due to net make-whole income was much higher than anticipated, and for the change in accounting for the accretion from previously impaired securities. This change had no impact on the Adjusted Earnings Per Share payout. For Japan Pretax Adjusted Earnings, the payout percentage for prepaid tax adjusted earnings would have been 200% without this exclusion.

⁽³⁾ Excludes Aflac Incorporated portfolio income, alternative investments (externally managed private equity and real estate equity). Net make-whole income is included but capped at \$15 million (security specific make-whole income less lost NII on reinvestment). Adjusted for any corporate shift in USD hedging strategy. In February 2020, the Compensation Committee also excluded accretion from previously impaired securities totaling approximately \$14 million. The payout percentage would have been 200% without this exclusion.

⁽⁴⁾ This measure excludes realized losses on securities sold for pre-approved tax purposes, Japan principal reserve matching and segregated portfolio asset liability management, corporate shift in RBC drawdown plan, switch trades in excess of \$100 million in assets, and compliance with internal risk limits. Excludes accounting policy driven mark-to-market losses on equities, alternatives, and perpetual securities.

2019 MIP PAYOUTS

The table below reflects target and earned percentages of salary for each NEO for the MIP based on 2019 performance results.

The Compensation Committee has the discretion in certain limited circumstances to adjust the MIP results related to particular performance measures if the Committee determines that a class of MIP participants would be unduly penalized or rewarded because a payout is incompatible with the performance measure. There were no adjustments to the NEOs' MIP payouts for 2019, and these awards were paid in February 2020.

	As a % of base salary
NEO	Target Earne
Daniel P. Amos	220% 279'
Frederick J. Crawford	125% 152'
Eric M. Kirsch	200% 353
Charles D. Lake II	100% 115
Masatoshi Koide	115% 135

For additional information about the MIP, please refer to the 2019 Grants of Plan-Based Awards table below, which shows the threshold, target, and maximum award amounts payable under the MIP for 2019, and the 2019 Summary Compensation Table, which shows the actual amount of non-equity incentive plan compensation paid to the NEOs for 2019.

Long-Term Incentives

OVERVIEW OF LTI PROGRAM

The Compensation Committee administers the Long-Term Incentive Plan. In February 2019, the Compensation Committee authorized grants of LTI awards to executive officers, including NEOs, in the form of PBRS. All eligible non-executive officers received time-based restricted stock units.

In determining the number of shares of PBRS to be granted to NEOs, the Compensation Committee is advised by its independent compensation consultant. The Compensation Committee's decision is informed by market data regarding comparable executive positions within the Company's peer group and the broader insurance sector, and each NEO's tenure and performance. Based on these considerations, the Committee determines award levels that it believes are competitive within the Company's peer group and the broader insurance sector, generally targeting the market median, and will be effective at aligning the NEO's compensation with performance and the interests of our shareholders. Future payouts (if any) on the February 2019 PBRS awards will be based on the Company's performance from 2019 through 2021 and will vary between 0% and 200% of the target number of shares of PBRS granted, which is consistent with typical market practices.

LTI awards will vest three years from the issuance date, subject to satisfaction of performance conditions and final Compensation Committee authorization.

TARGET LTI AWARDS

The pay program for the CEO follows a market-based approach. The Company granted the CEO his target annual LTI award in February 2019 at a market-competitive level, based primarily on peer market data. Specifically, the CEO's target LTI was set at an amount that approximates the 50th percentile LTI of his fellow CEOs at the Company's peers for 2019. This resulted in the CEO's target LTI being 557% of his base salary.

2019 annual LTI award targets as a percent of base salary for the other NEOs were as shown below:

	Target LTI (as percent
NEO	of base salary)
Frederick J. Crawford	250%
Eric M. Kirsch	200%
Charles D. Lake II	200%
Masatoshi Koide	200%

LTI PERFORMANCE METRICS

The PBRS will vest based on the Company's achievement on three measures—AROE, RBC, and SMR—for the cumulative three-year performance period beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2021. As described below, each metric has been assigned a weight that determines its effect on the LTI payout. Once a payout is calculated based on the weighted average achievement on these three metrics, that amount will be modified (up to +/-20%) based on our total shareholder return relative to the members of our peer group. We refer to this fourth metric as relative total shareholder return, or RTSR.

As noted in the descriptions below, in designing the LTI program, the Compensation Committee recognizes the importance of maximizing profitability and return on equity to shareholders, but also believes it is appropriate to pursue those objectives within the context of a solid risk framework.

Metric	Compensation Committee Rationale	Weighting
Adjusted Return on Shareholders' Equity (AROE) We define AROE (or currency neutral AROE) as:	 Enables shareholders to evaluate our financial achievements relative to other organizations in terms of how effectively we use capital to generate earnings 	70%
Adjusted Earnings, excluding the impact of foreign currency ÷ Adjusted Book Value*	 We believe this metric has a significant influence on the value our shareholders place on the Company. 	
Risk-Based Capital (RBC)	 Capital adequacy is a significant concern for the financial markets and shareholder confidence. Current regulatory solvency measure in the U.S. 	15%
Solvency Margin Ratio (SMR)	 Capital Adequacy is a significant concern for the financial markets and shareholder confidence. Principal capital adequacy measure in Japan 	15%
Total Shareholder Return Relative to Peer Group (RTSR)	 Align LTI payouts with relative performance to peer group 	Modifier (up to ± 20%)

* AROE, adjusted earnings, excluding the impact of foreign currency, and adjusted book value are not calculated in accordance with GAAP. See the Appendix to this Proxy Statement for definitions for these non-GAAP financial measures and reconciliations to the most directly comparable GAAP measures.

2019 LTI PERFORMANCE TARGETS

The following illustrates the terms of the 2019 PBRS grant.

	2019		2020			2021			Payou 2022
Performance Level	3-yr. avg. currency- neutral AROE goal	3-yr. avg. SMR goal	3-yr. avg. RBC goal	Payout (% of Target)		3-yr. RTSR percentile rank vs. peers	Modifier t earne amoun	d	
Maximum	16.5%	700%	500%	200%		75 th percentile or greater	1.20	×	
Target	14%	600%	400%	100%	×	Between 25 th and 75 th percentile	1.00	X	
Threshold	12.5%	500%	350%	50%		25 th percentile or worse	0.80	x	

• For financial performance (AROE, SMR, and RBC), linear interpolation will be used to determine payouts for performance between the corresponding goals (i.e., threshold to target, or target to maximum).

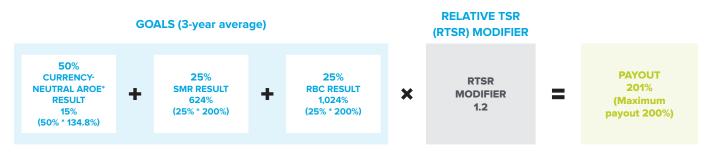
• For RTSR, adjustments of 1.20x or 0.80x will be made only if the Company's RTSR is in the upper or lower quartile, respectively, versus our peers. There will not be any adjustments to the payout if RTSR falls between the 25th and 75th percentiles of the peers.

• Maximum potential payouts will be capped at 200% of target.

The goals for these metrics are generally consistent with the Company's public guidance as provided during the annual December Outlook Call.

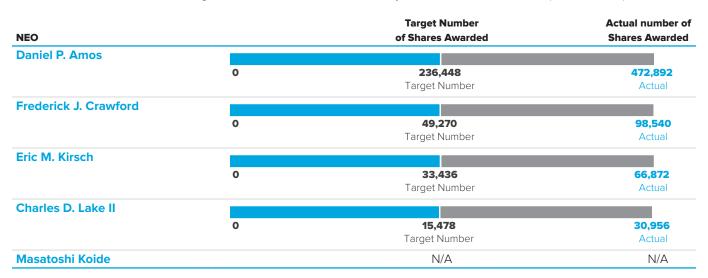
2017-2019 Performance Period

In February 2020, the NEOs except for Mr. Koide received payouts with respect to the performance shares that were granted in February 2017 for the three year-performance period ended December 31, 2019. Mr. Koide did not receive any performance shares in 2017. These awards were paid at 200% times the target number of shares initially awarded based on the three-year average results for each of the currency neutral AROE, SMR, and RBC metrics. Earned amounts were modified based on the Company's TSR performance relative to our peers.



* The performance metric operating return on equity ("OROE"), excluding the impact of foreign currency, was renamed in 2018 to AROE (calculation has not changed).

The final shares awarded, excluding dividends, to the NEOs in February 2020 for the 2017 to 2019 performance period were:



SPECIAL AWARDS

From time to time, we may make special awards in the form of restricted stock units ("RSUs") to recognize major milestones, to secure leadership stability, or to achieve other strategic objectives. On November 12, 2019, the Compensation Committee awarded an RSU grant to Mr. Crawford to recognize his impending promotion to President, Chief Operating Officer, which became effective January 1, 2020. The grant will vest on the third anniversary of the grant date generally subject to continued service through the vesting date. On February 14, 2019, the Compensation Committee awarded RSU grants to Messrs. Lake and Koide for their roles in origination, extensive negotiations, relationship management and overall leadership in securing the Japan Post Holdings alliance. Messrs. Lake's and Koide's grants will vest on the third anniversary of the grant date generally subject to continued service through the vesting date; an additional vesting condition requiring regulatory approval for the Japan Post Holdings alliance was achieved. For more information regarding the special awards see the 2019 Grants of Plan-Based Awards table on page 48.

Other Compensation

The retirement, deferral, and savings plans described below were established in order to provide competitive post-termination benefits for officers and employees, including the NEOs, in recognition of their service and contributions to the Company.

Defined Benefit Pension Plans

As described further in "Pension Benefits" below, the Company maintains tax-qualified, noncontributory defined benefit pension plans covering substantially all U.S. employees, including the NEOs, who satisfy the eligibility requirements. Mr. Lake, a former U.S. employee who became a Japan employee on August 1, 2013, has benefits accrued in the U.S. tax-qualified plan from his 14 years as a U.S. employee. The Company also maintains nonqualified supplemental retirement plans covering some of the NEOs. No change has been made to the pension plans and the benefit level remains the same as last year. Messrs. Lake and Koide currently participate in a Japan nonqualified supplemental retirement plan, which is described on page 51.

Executive Deferred Compensation Plan

The NEOs (other than Messrs. Lake and Koide), together with other U.S.-based eligible executives, are entitled to participate in the Executive Deferred Compensation Plan ("EDCP"). Messrs. Amos and Crawford are the only NEOs currently participating in this plan. Mr. Lake has funds in the plan from his 14 years as a U.S. employee, but he no longer actively participates in the plan. The EDCP is discussed in more detail below under "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation."

401(k) Savings and Profit Sharing Plan

The Company maintains a tax-qualified 401(k) Savings and Profit Sharing Plan (the "401(k) Plan") in which all U.S.-based employees, including the U.S.-based NEOs, are eligible to participate on the same terms. The Company provides matching contributions to 100% of each employee's contributions up to 4% of the employee's annual cash compensation. Employee contributions made to the 401(k) Plan are 100% vested.

The Company provides a nonelective contribution to the 401(k) Plan of 2% of annual cash compensation for employees who elected to opt out of the future benefits of the U.S. defined benefit plan and for U.S. employees who started working for the Company after September 30, 2013, the date on which the U.S. defined benefit plan was frozen with respect to new participants. Mr. Crawford is the only NEO who is eligible to receive a nonelective contribution.

Employees vest in Company contributions at the rate of 20% for each complete year of service. After five years of service, employees are fully vested in all Company contributions.

Other Benefits

The Company provides NEOs with other benefits that we believe are reasonable, competitive, and consistent with our overall executive compensation program. For details, see the "All Other Compensation" column in the 2019 Summary Compensation Table on page 46. Included in Mr. Lake's employment agreement are certain perquisites including tax equalization between the U.S. and Japan on unvested earnings distributed after August 1, 2013, upon becoming an Aflac Japan employee, payment of premiums for a life insurance policy for \$10 million (including tax gross-up) and tax consultant fees. The Company also pays for Messrs. Lake's and Koide's use of a leased car, driver compensation and related expenses, which are customary perquisites for senior executives at Aflac Japan.

The Company maintains medical and dental insurance, group life insurance, accidental death insurance, cancer insurance, and disability insurance programs for all employees, as well as paid time off, leave of absence, and other similar policies. The U.S.-based NEOs and other officers are eligible to participate in these programs along with, and on the same basis as, the Company's other salaried employees. In addition, the NEOs are eligible to receive reimbursement for medical examination expenses.

For security and time-management reasons, certain officers of the Company occasionally travel on corporate aircraft for business and personal purposes. Personal travel on corporate aircraft and security services are provided where considered by the Board to be in the best interest of the Company and its business objectives.

Additional Executive Compensation Plan Practice and Procedures

Stock Ownership Guidelines; Hedging and Pledging Restrictions

The Company believes its executive officers and Directors should have a significant equity interest in the Company and has enforced stock ownership guidelines for executive officers and non-employee Directors for almost two decades. The stock ownership guidelines, as amended on February 14, 2019, are as follows:

Position	Ownership guideline
Chairman of the Board/CEO	8x base salary
President of Aflac Incorporated	5x base salary
Chairman/Vice Chairman/President of Aflac U.S.	4x base salary
Chairman/Vice Chairman/President of Aflac Japan	4x base salary
All other executive officers	3x base salary
Non-employee Directors	4x cash annual retaine

Officers have four years from their hire or promotion date to satisfy their respective stock ownership requirements. Non-employee Directors have five years from the date first elected to the Board to satisfy these requirements. Upon any increase in these stock ownership guidelines or an increase in base salary or annual retainer, impacted individuals will have an additional two years from the effective date of the change to comply with the increased requirements.

Ownership includes all shares held by the officer or Director and the individual's spouse, as well as time-based, unvested restricted shares. PBRS and stock options (vested or unvested) do not count toward these stock ownership guidelines.

Each current NEO and Director has stock ownership that exceeds the ownership guidelines or is working toward meeting the requisite guideline within the allowed time frame. Progress toward meeting the guidelines is reviewed regularly and reported to the Board.

The Company's insider trading policy prohibits our Directors, officers and other covered individuals from purchasing financial instruments (including derivatives and exchange funds), or otherwise engaging in transactions that hedge or offset, or are designed to hedge or offset, any decrease in the market value of our Common Stock (collectively, "hedges"), or entering into a 10b5-1 plan unless that plan is approved by the Compensation Committee. In addition, executive officers and Directors are prohibited from pledging the Company's stock. All other covered individuals under the Company's insider trading policy must obtain preapproval from the policy's compliance officer before pledging Company stock as collateral for a margin account or other Ioan. The Company's anti-hedging policy prohibits all other employees from engaging in hedges after February 13, 2020.

Employment Agreements

The Company has employment agreements with the NEOs and certain other executives in key roles. The agreements generally address role and responsibility; rights to compensation and benefits during active employment; termination in the event of death, disability, or retirement; termination for cause or without cause; and resignation by the employee. Some agreements also contain termination and related pay provisions in the event of a change in control. These change-in-control provisions do not apply unless there is both a change in control and either a termination by the Company without cause or a resignation by the executive for good reason. This is commonly referred to as a "double trigger" requirement. No agreement provides for excise tax gross-ups. Further, each agreement stipulates that the subject executive may not compete with the Company for a prescribed period following termination of employment, or disclose confidential information. Mr. Amos has voluntarily waived all "golden parachute" and other severance components in his employment agreement. The payments that may be made under each NEO's employment agreement upon termination of employment under specified circumstances are described in more detail below under "Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control."

Change-in-Control Policy and Severance Agreements

The Company has no formal change-in-control or severance policy. However, as noted above, individual employment agreements incorporate provisions related to these matters.

Compensation Recovery ("Clawback") Policy

The Company has a "clawback" policy that allows the Compensation Committee to review any adjustment or restatement of performance measures and determine whether that adjustment or restatement warrants modifying or recovering non-equity incentive awards. If it is deemed that such a modification or recovery is appropriate, the Compensation Committee is charged with determining the amount of recovery and the officer group to be affected.

Certain Tax Implications of Executive Compensation

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code generally limits to \$1 million annually the federal income tax deduction that a publicly held corporation may claim for compensation payable to certain of its current and former executive officers, but that deduction limitation historically did not apply to performance-based compensation that met certain requirements. As part of the U.S. Tax Reform, Section 162(m) was amended, effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017, to expand the range of executive officers subject to the deduction limitation and also to eliminate the exception for performance-based compensation—though the exception generally continues to be available on a "grandfathered" basis for compensation payable under a written binding contract in effect on and not materially modified after November 2, 2017.

In determining compensation for our executive officers, the Compensation Committee considers the extent to which the compensation is deductible, including the effect of Section 162(m). In prior years, the Compensation Committee generally sought to structure our executive incentive compensation awards to qualify as performance-based compensation exempt from the Section 162(m) deduction limitation where doing so was consistent with the Company's compensation objectives, but it reserved the right to award nondeductible compensation, and on occasion did so. While the Compensation Committee continues to consider the effect of the Section 162(m) deduction limit when designing the Company's compensation programs, the Compensation Committee's primary focus in its compensation decisions will remain on most productively furthering the Company's business objectives and not on whether the compensation is deductible. The Compensation Committee did not make significant changes to the Company's executive compensation program for 2019 in response to the tax code changes.

Compensation Committee Report

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the preceding CD&A with management and, based on that review and discussion, has recommended to the Board to include the CD&A in this Proxy Statement.

Compensation Committee Robert B. Johnson, Chairman Georgette D. Kiser Joseph L. Moskowitz Katherine T. Rohrer

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION TABLES

2019 Summary Compensation Table

The following table provides information concerning total compensation earned or paid for 2019 and, to the extent required by the SEC disclosure rules, 2018 and 2017 to our CEO, CFO, and the three other most highly compensated executive officers who were serving as executive officers during 2019. These five officers are referred to as our NEOs in this Proxy Statement.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	Bonus (\$)			Non-equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings ⁽⁴⁾ (\$)	All Other Compensation ⁽⁵⁾ (\$)	Total (\$)	Total without Change in Pension Value* (\$)
Daniel P. Amos	2019	1,441,100	_	8,272,062	_	4,002,594		393,096	14,108,852	14,108,852
Chairman, CEO	2018	1,441,100	_	8,922,142	_	4,638,345	2,166,871	366,940	17,535,398	15,368,527
and President	2017	1,441,100	_	8,607,889	_	5,946,758	6,487,909	347,328	22,830,984	16,343,075
Frederick J. Crawford	2019	725,000	_	3,066,265	_	1,104,981	_	322,446	5,218,692	5,218,692
Executive Vice	2018	725,000	_	4,905,453	_	1,391,688	_	366,214	7,388,355	7,388,355
President, CFO	2017	700,000	_	2,793,738	_	1,643,851	_	390,911	5,528,500	5,528,500
Eric M. Kirsch	2019	650,000	—	1,338,520	_	2,291,995	80,568	29,729	4,390,812	4,310,244
Executive Vice President,	2018	593,800	—	2,248,570	—	2,150,087	22,820	28,620	5,043,897	5,021,077
Global Chief Investment Officer; President, Aflac Global Investments	2017	593,800		1,217,238	_	2,210,442	47,012	25,592	4,094,084	4,047,072
Charles D. Lake II ⁽⁶⁾	2019	605,116	_	1,731,279	_	693,044	62,599	869,272	3,961,310	3,898,711
President, Aflac	2018	597,880	_	1,237,224	_	874,799	282,725	837,230	3,829,858	3,547,133
International; Chairman and Representative Director, Aflac Life Insurance Japan	2017	444,009	_	1,563,541	_	716,885	39,691	1,192,582	3,956,708	3,917,017
Masatoshi Koide ⁽⁶⁾ President and Representative Director, Aflac Life Insurance Japan	2019	595,948	_	1,712,614	_	922,550	162,806	206,489	3,600,407	3,437,601

* Total without Change in Pension Value represents total compensation, as determined under applicable SEC rules, minus the change in pension value reported in the Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings column. This additional column has been included to show the effect that the year-over-year change in pension value had on total compensation as determined under applicable SEC rules. The amounts reported in the Total without Change in Pension Value column differ from the amounts reported in the Total column required under SEC rules and are not a substitute for total compensation. The change in pension value, as discussed in footnote 4 below, is subject to many external variables that are not related to the Company's performance.

In each of the three years above, includes \$441,100 deferred for Mr. Amos. This amount is included in the 2019 Nonqualified Deferred Compensation table below. See "Elements of Our Executive Compensation Program — Base Salary" in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this Proxy Statement for information about adjustments to base salaries in 2019.

⁽²⁾ In addition to his 2019 annual LTI grants, on November 12, 2019, Mr. Crawford received a special recognition grant of 22,235 time-based restricted stock units. Mr. Crawford's grant will vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, generally subject to continued service through the vesting date. In addition to their 2019 annual LTI grants, on February 14, 2019, Messrs. Lake and Koide received a special recognition grant of 10,289 time-based restricted stock units. Messrs. Lake's and Koide's grants will vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, subject to continued service through the vesting date; an additional vesting condition requiring and regulatory approval for the Japan Post Holdings alliance was achieved.

⁽³⁾ In accordance with the SEC's reporting requirements, we report all equity awards at their full grant date fair value under ASC 718 at the target level of performance for PBRS. The Company's valuation assumptions are described in Note 12, "Share-Based Compensation," in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2019. See "Elements of Our Executive Compensation Program — Long-term Equity Incentives" in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this Proxy Statement for additional information about these long-term incentives and their terms. Assuming achievement of performance goals at the maximum level, the aggregate grant date fair value of the PBRS would be: Daniel P. Amos, \$16,544,125; Frederick J. Crawford, \$3,732,484; Eric M. Kirsch, \$2,677,040; Charles D. Lake II, \$2,462,468, and Masatoshi Koide, \$2,425,139. See page 49 for a more detailed discussion of our outstanding equity grants compared to fair market value as of December 31, 2019.

⁽⁴⁾ No amount in this column is attributable to above-market earnings on deferred compensation. The aggregate change in the actuarial present value of the accumulated benefit obligation of the defined benefit plan and Retirement Plan for Senior Officers for Mr. Amos was a decrease of \$8,715,995. Mr. Crawford is not eligible to participate in the Company's defined benefit plans because the plans were frozen before he joined the Company. See the "Pension Benefits" section and the accompanying table beginning on page 50 for a more detailed discussion of the retirement plans.

- (5) Additional information regarding all other compensation is provided in detail in the "All Other Compensation" and "Perquisites" table below.
- ⁽⁶⁾ Includes payments made to Messrs. Lake and Koide in yen for salary, non-equity incentive plan compensation, and some perquisites, and converted to dollars by dividing the actual yen-denominated payments by the 2019 annual weighted average exchange rate of 109.07 yen to the dollar.

2019 All Other Compensation

The following table identifies the amount of each item included for 2019 in the All Other Compensation column in the 2019 Summary Compensation Table.

Name	Perquisites and Other Personal Benefits ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	Company Contributions to 401(k) Plan (\$)	Company Contribution to Nonqualified Deferred Compensation ⁽²⁾ (\$)	Total (\$)
Daniel P. Amos	381,896	11,200		393,096
Frederick J. Crawford	31,149	16,800	274,497	322,446
Eric M. Kirsch	18,529	11,200	_	29,729
Charles D. Lake II	869,272	_	_	869,272
Masatoshi Koide	206,489	_	_	206,489

^(f) Perquisites are more fully described in the Perquisites table.

⁽²⁾ This amount is included in the 2019 Nonqualified Deferred Compensation table.

2019 Perquisites

The following table identifies the incremental cost to the Company of each perquisite included for 2019 in the All Other Compensation table.

							Total Perquisites
	Personal Use of						and
	Company	Security	Life	Tax Related	Car		Other Personal
	Aircraft ⁽¹⁾	Services ⁽²⁾	Insurance ⁽³⁾	Reimbursements ⁽⁴⁾	Allowance ⁽⁵⁾	Other ⁽⁶⁾	Benefits ⁽⁷⁾
Name	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Daniel P. Amos	186,139	191,846	_	456	_	3,455	381,896
Frederick J. Crawford	26,125	420		_	734	3,870	31,149
Eric M. Kirsch	_	_	_	24	_	18,505	18,529
Charles D. Lake II	—	_	90,684	568,176	196,230	14,182	869,272
Masatoshi Koide	_			_	200,159	6,330	206,489

Incremental cost for the personal use of corporate aircraft is the calculated standard hourly cost rate based upon actual operating expenses for corporate aircraft, including fuel costs, airport fees, catering, in-flight phone, crew travel expenses, and maintenance cost. This rate is recalculated annually. The personal use of corporate aircraft has been authorized by the Board for security reasons and to maximize the effectiveness of the executives' time.

⁽²⁾ Incremental costs for security services include the salaries and benefits of security officers and the actual costs of any security equipment, monitoring, and maintenance fees.

⁽³⁾ Amounts included in the Life Insurance column for Mr. Lake represent life insurance premiums paid for his policy during 2019.

(4) Amounts included in the Japan tax-related reimbursements for Mr. Lake represent tax equalization and tax gross-up payments paid during 2019.

⁽⁵⁾ Amounts included in the Car Allowance column for Mr. Crawford are charges for the use of Company automobile transportation in the U.S. The amount included in the Car Allowance column for Messrs. Lake and Koide includes the cash cost to the Company for the use of a leased car, driver compensation and related expenses.

⁽⁶⁾ Amounts included in the Other column are charges for personal tax return preparation and financial planning in the amount of \$18,480 for Mr. Kirsch. Mr. Lake also incurred amounts totaling \$10,021 for tax return consulting.

Other than tax gross-ups reflected in the tax-related reimbursements, the Company did not gross up for tax purposes any of the other perquisites described in this table.

2019 Grants of Plan-Based Awards

The following table provides information with respect to the 2019 grants of plan-based awards to the NEOs.

		U	All Other Stock Awards: Estimated Possible Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards ⁽¹⁾ Incentive Plan Awards ⁽²⁾ All Other Stock Awards Awards: Aunder Stock Stock Number of Under Equity Shares of Stock			n-Equity Under Equity		Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option	
Name and	Grant	Threshold	Target	Maximum	Threshold	Target	Maximum	or Units ⁽³⁾	Awards
Principal Position	Date	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(#)	(#)	(#)	(#)	(\$)
Daniel P. Amos	2/14/2019	_	_	_	82,655	165,309	330,618	_	8,272,062
	N/A	1,585,210	3,170,420	6,340,840	_	_	_	_	
Frederick J.	2/14/2019				18,648	37,295	74,590		1,866,242
Crawford	11/12/2019							22,235	1,200,023
	N/A	453,125	906,250	1,812,500					
Eric M. Kirsch	2/14/2019				13,375	26,749	53,498	_	1,338,520
	N/A	650,000	1,300,000	2,600,000	_		_	_	_
Charles D. Lake II	2/14/2019	_	_	_	12,303	24,605	49,210	_	1,231,234
	2/14/2019							10,289	500,045
	N/A	302,558	605,116	1,210,232				_	
Masatoshi Koide	2/14/2019				12,116	24,232	48,464		1,212,569
	2/14/2019	_	_		_		_	10,289	500,045
	N/A	342,670	685,340	1,370,680	_		—	_	_

⁽¹⁾ The amounts shown in Estimated Possible Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards reflect the payout levels for the NEOs under the Company's MIP, based on the potential achievement of certain performance goals approved by the Compensation Committee on February 28, 2019. For additional information, please see "Elements of Our Executive Compensation Program—Management Incentive Plan (MIP)" beginning on page 36. For each Company performance goal, a minimum, target, and maximum performance level is specified. The amount paid for each performance goal depends on the results attained.

- ⁽²⁾ The amounts shown under Estimated Future Payouts Under Equity Incentive Plan Awards for February 14, 2019, reflect the number of shares of PBRS. Those shares incorporate restrictions that will lapse upon the attainment of performance goals set by the Compensation Committee. Awards vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, based on the attainment of the cumulative three-year average target performance goals for Company AROE and the RBC and SMR ratios. For the cumulative three-year average performance period from 2019 to 2021, shares of PBRS will vest at 50% of target if the Company attains the minimum goals and at 200% if the Company reaches or exceeds the maximum goals. Earned amounts may then be modified based on the Company's TSR performance versus peers. All NEOs possess the same rights as all other holders of Common Stock in respect of the shares underlying the PBRS, including all incidents of ownership (except the right to transfer the shares while they remain subject to forfeiture) and the right to vote such shares. The dividends accrued on the PBRS will be reinvested in Common Stock at the same dividend rate received by other holders of Common Stock. Those additional restricted shares will be held in book entry form in the custody of the Company subject to the same terms and conditions attributable to the original grant until such time as all restrictions have lapsed on the shares of Common Stock with respect to which the dividend was accrued.
- ⁽³⁾ On November 12, 2019, the Compensation Committee awarded shares of time-based restricted stock units to Mr. Crawford. The time-based restricted stock units will vest for Mr. Crawford on the third anniversary of the grant date (generally subject to continued employment). On February 14, 2019, the Compensation Committee awarded shares of time-based restricted stock units will vest for Messrs. Lake and Koide. The time-based restricted stock units will vest for Messrs. Lake and Koide on the third anniversary of the grant date (generally subject to continued employment; an additional vesting condition requiring regulatory approval for the Japan Post Holdings alliance was achieved.).

2019 Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End

The following table provides certain information with respect to the equity awards outstanding at the 2019 fiscal year-end for the NEOs.

		(Option Awards			Stock Awards					
			·							Incentive Awards:	
		Unc Unexerci Exercisable	of Securities lerlying ised Options Unexercisable			Stock Award	of Stock That Have Not Vested ⁽¹⁾	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested ⁽²⁾	Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested	Market or Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested ⁽²⁾	
Name	Date	(#)	(#)	(\$)	Date	Grant Date	(#)	(\$)	(#)	(\$)	
Daniel P.						2/14/17			505,046 ³	26,716,933	
Amos						2/13/18			412,1334	21,801,836	
						2/14/19			337,6525	17,861,791	
Frederick J.	7/01/15	42,696		31.215	7/01/25						
Crawford	2/09/16	45,068		28.965	2/09/26						
						2/14/17			105,239 ³	5,567,143	
						8/08/17	25,992	1,374,977			
						2/13/18			88,015 ⁴	4,655,994	
						8/14/18	66,621	3,524,251			
						2/14/19			76,1775	4,029,763	
-						11/12/19	22,347	1,182,156			
Eric M. Kirsch	2/09/16	38,230		28.965	2/09/26						
-						2/14/17			71,418 ³	3,778,012	
_						2/13/18			57,672 ⁴	3,050,849	
-						12/11/18	23,952	1,267,061			
						2/14/19			54,6365	2,890,244	
Charles D.	2/11/14	16,040		31.205	2/11/24						
Lake II	2/10/15	22,378		30.725	2/10/25						
_		,				2/14/17			33,061 ³	1,748,927	
_						8/08/17	8,663	458,273	,	, -,-	
_						2/13/18		/ -	57,150 ⁴	3,023,235	
						2/14/19			50,257 ⁵	2,658,595	
-						2/14/19	10,508	555,873	00,207	2,000,000	
Masatoshi	2/14/17		.3 201	35.520	2/14/27	_, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	. 3,000	000,070			
Koide	_,, . ,		0,201	20.020	_,, _ /	2/14/17	2,935	155,262			
						2/13/18	2,000	100,202	36,6924	1,941,007	
						2/13/18			49,495 ⁵	2,618,286	
-						2/14/19	10,508	555,873	75,455	2,010,200	
						2/14/19	10,508	000,073			

⁽¹⁾ The RSU awards include accrued but unpaid dividend equivalents payable in additional RSUs calculated at the normal dividend rate and settled in shares of our common stock only upon distribution of the vested award.

⁽²⁾ Based on the per share closing price of our Common Stock of \$52.90 as of December 31, 2019.

(a) Represents PBRS granted in connection with the 2017-2019 performance cycle and vested on February 14, 2020, plus accrued dividends. Since our performance as of the end of the performance period exceeded the target performance measures, these awards are shown at maximum (200% of target), plus accrued dividends. These awards vested at 200% of target, plus accrued dividends, based on the actual performance certified by the Compensation Committee on February 13, 2020.

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- (4) Represents PBRS granted in connection with the 2018-2020 performance cycle. Since our performance as of the end of the last fiscal for this performance cycle exceeded the target performance measures, these awards are shown at maximum (200% of target), plus accrued dividends. However, the amount, if any, of these awards that will be paid out will depend upon the actual performance over the full performance period and the Compensation Committee's certification of the performance after completion of the performance cycle, which should occur in the first quarter of 2021.
- ⁽⁵⁾ Represents PBRS granted in connection with the 2019-2021 performance cycle. Since our performance as of the end of the last fiscal for this performance cycle exceeded the target performance measures, these awards are shown at maximum (200% of target), plus accrued dividends. However, the amount, if any, of these awards that will be paid out will depend upon the actual performance over the full performance period and the Compensation Committee's certification of the performance after completion of the performance cycle, which should occur in the first quarter of 2022.

Stock Award Grant Date	Stock Award Vesting Schedule
02/14/17, 02/13/18 and	Cliff vesting on the third anniversary of the grant date based on the attainment of the
02/14/19	cumulative three-year average target performance goals for AROE, SMR, and RBC for three
	consecutive calendar years beginning with the year of grant. For the three-year period, stock
	will vest at 50% if the threshold of the three ratios is achieved, and 200% if the maximum is
	attained. Earned amounts can then be modified based on the Company's TSR performance
	versus peers (maximum payout up to 200%).
02/14/17	For the award granted to Mr. Koide, vesting ratably on the first, second and third
	anniversaries of the grant date.
08/08/17	For the award granted to Mr. Crawford, cliff vesting on the third anniversary of the grant date.
	For Mr. Lake, vesting ratably on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
08/14/18, 12/11/18 and 11/12/19	Cliff vesting on the third anniversary of the grant date.
02/14/19	For the restricted stock unit grant, cliff vesting on the third anniversary of the grant date;
	an additional vesting condition requiring regulatory approval for the Japan Post Holdings
	alliance was achieved.

2019 Option Exercises and Stock Vested

The following table provides information with respect to options exercised and stock awards vested during 2019 for each of the NEOs.

	Option Aw	ards	Stock Awards		
Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized on Exercise (\$)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)	Value Realized on Vesting (\$)	
Daniel P. Amos			446,082		
Frederick J. Crawford		_	50,205	2,477,547	
Eric M. Kirsch	_		35,142	1,707,901	
Charles D. Lake II	53,558	1,109,666	22,985	1,153,778	
Masatoshi Koide	42,387	776,534	11,023	532,284	

Pension Benefits

The Company maintains tax-qualified, noncontributory defined benefit pension plans that cover the NEOs other than Mr. Crawford, and nonqualified supplemental retirement plans covering the NEOs other than Messrs. Crawford and Kirsch. All of these plans were frozen before Mr. Crawford joined the Company.

The Company does not credit extra years of service under any of its retirement plans, unless required by employment agreements upon certain termination events. Mr. Amos is eligible to receive immediate retirement benefits, which fall under the provisions of the U.S. tax-qualified plan and the Retirement Plan for Senior Officers. For Mr. Kirsch, retirement benefits fall under the U.S. tax-qualified plan. For Mr. Lake, retirement benefits fall under the U.S. tax-qualified plan for services when employed in an Aflac U.S. company and the Aflac Japan Officer Retirement Plan for current and previous services with Aflac Japan. For Mr. Koide, retirement benefits fall under the Aflac Japan Officer Retirement Plan for current services with Aflac Japan.

Qualified Defined Benefit Pension Plan

The Aflac Incorporated Defined Benefit Pension Plan ("Plan") is a funded tax-qualified retirement program that covers all eligible U.S.-based employees. Benefits under the Plan are calculated in accordance with the following formula:



For purposes of the Plan, final average monthly compensation is the participant's highest average compensation (salary and non-equity incentive plan compensation) during any five consecutive years of service within the ten consecutive plan years of service immediately preceding retirement. Participants are eligible to receive full retirement benefits upon attaining a retirement age of 65 or, if earlier, when their years of credited service plus age equals or exceeds 80. Participants with at least fifteen years of credited service are eligible to receive reduced retirement benefits upon reaching an early retirement age of 55. The Plan was frozen to new employees hired, or former employees rehired, on or after October 1, 2013.

Benefits payable under the Plan are not subject to adjustment for Social Security benefits or other offsets. The benefits are paid monthly over the life of the participant, with joint and survivor options available at actuarially reduced rates. The maximum annual retirement benefit was limited, in accordance with Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code, to \$225,000 for 2019. The maximum annual compensation that may be taken into account when calculating retirement benefits was limited, in accordance Code, to \$280,000 for 2019. The limitation amounts for future years will be indexed for cost-of-living adjustments.

Executive Retirement Plan

The Company's Japan Officer Retirement Plan is a non-funded and unsecured obligation of the Company and is not a tax-qualified plan. The retirement benefit for the plan is calculated as follows: for each year of service (with a minimum of two years and maximum of twelve), a Japan participating officer would receive one month salary plus one year salary for the last year. The total amount calculated is paid in a lump-sum at retirement. Currently, Messrs. Lake and Koide are the only NEOs who participate in the Japan Officer Retirement Plan, and Mr. Lake has accumulated the maximum service.

Retirement Plan for Senior Officers

The CEO is the only active employee who participates in the Retirement Plan for Senior Officers ("RPSO"). Participants in the RPSO receive full compensation (base salary and MIP) for the first twelve months after retirement. Thereafter, a participant may elect to receive annual lifetime retirement benefits equal to 60% of final compensation (base salary plus non-equity incentive), or 54% of final compensation with 50% of final compensation to be paid to a surviving spouse for a specified period after death of the participant. Final compensation is deemed to be the higher of either (i) the compensation paid during the last twelve months of active employment with the Company, or (ii) the highest compensation received in any calendar year of the last ten years preceding the date of retirement.

Generally, no benefits are payable until the participant accumulates ten years of credited service at age 60, or twenty years of credited service. Reduced benefits may be paid to a participant who retires (other than for disability) before age 65 with less than twenty years of credited service. Mr. Amos has 46 years of credited service, meaning he is fully vested for retirement benefits under the RPSO. The RPSO was frozen to new participants on January 1, 2009.

All benefits under the RPSO are subject to annual cost-of-living increases as approved by the Compensation Committee. Retired participants and their spouses also are entitled to receive full medical expense benefits for their lifetimes. The benefits payable under the RPSO are not subject to Social Security or qualified Plan offsets.

2019 Pension Benefits

The following table provides certain information regarding the Company's pension benefits at December 31, 2019, and for the year then ended.

Name	Plan Name	Number of Years Credited Service (#)	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit* (\$)	•	Payments During Last Fiscal Year (\$)
Daniel P. Amos	Retirement Plan for Senior Officers	46	51,322,174	(8,993,908)	_
	Aflac Incorporated Defined Benefit Pension Plan	46	1,719,982	277,913	_
Eric M. Kirsch	Aflac Incorporated Defined Benefit Pension Plan	8	283,897	80,568	_
Charles D. Lake II	Aflac Incorporated Defined Benefit Pension Plan	15	413,483	79,158	_
	Japan Officer Retirement Plan	12	1,234,617	(16,559)	_
Masatoshi Koide	Japan Officer Retirement Plan	11	764,726	162,806	_

Assumptions used to calculate pension benefits are based on GAAP assumptions, as more fully described in Note 14, "Benefit Plans," in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2019, except that, for all NEOs other than Mr. Amos, the assumed retirement age is the earliest retirement age for unreduced benefits and, for Mr. Amos, who has exceeded such age, is his actual expected retirement age as determined for GAAP purposes.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation

The following table provides information on the NEOs' participation in the Aflac Incorporated Executive Deferred Compensation Plan ("EDCP").

2019 Nonqualified Deferred Compensation

Name	Executive Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Registrant Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Earnings (Loss) in Last Fiscal Year ⁽³⁾ (\$)	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions (\$)	Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year-End ⁽⁴⁾ (\$)
Daniel P. Amos ⁽¹⁾	_	441,100	1,940,690		10,191,086
Frederick J. Crawford ⁽²⁾	_	274,497	139,241		1,414,243
Eric M. Kirsch	_	_	_		
Charles D. Lake II	_	_	1,972,227	_	9,386,139
Masatoshi Koide	—	—	_	—	—

⁽¹⁾ The Company contribution of \$441,100 for Mr. Amos is compensation deferred at the direction of the Compensation Committee and is included in the Salary column of the Summary Compensation Table for the current year. The funds are 100% vested.

⁽²⁾ The \$274,497 deferred compensation for Mr. Crawford represents unvested Company-funded executive employer contributions in the amount of 15% of Mr. Crawford's annual compensation (base salary plus MIP). The funds for 2019 were credited to the EDCP in March 2020. This is an annual contribution approved by the Compensation Committee since Mr. Crawford is not eligible to participate in the Pension Plan or any other executive retirement plan. Annual contributions will be 100% vested on the earlier of (i) the later of 15 years of employment or 5 years participation, (ii) age 65, (iii) change in control, (iv) death, or (v) disability. The amount shown in the table is included in the Summary Compensation Table for the current year in the All Other Compensation column. Additionally, previous years' deferrals included in the Aggregate Balance column were reported as compensation in prior periods.

⁽³⁾ The Company does not pay or credit above-market earnings on amounts deferred by or on behalf of executives.

⁽⁴⁾ Previous years' deferrals included in this column were reported as compensation in prior periods.

The EDCP allows certain U.S.-based officers, including the NEOs (the "Participants"), to defer up to 75% of their base salaries and their annual non-equity incentive awards. The Company may make discretionary matching or other discretionary contributions in such amounts, if any, that the Compensation Committee may determine each year.

The EDCP is subject to the requirements of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code. Deferred amounts earned and vested prior to 2005 ("grandfathered" amounts) under the EDCP are not subject to Section 409A's requirements and continue to be governed generally under the terms of the EDCP and the tax laws in effect before January 1, 2005. All NEOs have met the applicable vesting requirements with the exception of Mr. Crawford.

The amounts in the Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year-End column include investment earnings (and losses) determined under phantom investments. Account balances may be invested in phantom investments selected by Participants from an array of investment options that substantially mirror the funds available under the Company's 401(k) Plan, except for Common Stock. Participants can change their investment selections (unless prohibited by the fund) in the same manner that applies to participants in the 401(k) Plan.

Each year, when Participants elect whether to defer compensation under the EDCP for the following year, they also elect the timing and form of future distributions arising from those deferrals, with a separate election permitted for each type of deferral (i.e., salary and non-equity incentive award). Specifically, a Participant may elect distributions beginning in a specific year (even if employment has not then ended) or beginning six months after the termination of employment. Participants may choose to have any distribution made in a lump sum or in up to ten annual installments. Employee deferrals are 100% vested. Distributions attributable to discretionary contributions are made in the form and at the time specified by the Company.

A Participant may delay the timing and form of distributions attributable to deferrals as long as the change is made at least twelve months before the initial distribution date. With respect to non-grandfathered amounts, new elections also must satisfy the additional requirements of Section 409A. In general, Section 409A provides that distributions may not be accelerated (other than for hardships) and any delayed distribution may not begin earlier than five years after the original distribution date.

Deferral amounts for which no distribution elections have been made are distributed in a lump sum six months after a Participant separates from service.

Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control

The Company has employment agreements with each of the NEOs. Except as described below, the agreements are similar in nature and contain provisions relating to termination, disability, death, and a change in control of the Company.

Mr. Amos has voluntarily waived all "golden parachute" and other severance components in his employment agreement. Mr. Koide's employment agreement (consisting of his employment agreement, Japan Officer Regulations, and Japan Procedures for Treatment of Officers) does not provide for any "golden parachute" or other severance payments or benefits (other than a retirement benefit as described below). The elimination and absence, respectively, of these potential payments are reflected in the 2019 Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control table.

For each remaining NEO, the Company remains obligated to continue compensation and benefits for the scheduled term of the agreement if the NEO's employment is terminated by the Company without "good cause" or by the NEO with "good reason." The remaining term for each of these NEOs as of December 31, 2019 is as follows: Mr. Crawford, 30 months; Mr. Kirsch, 24 months; and Mr. Lake, 24 months. In addition, upon a termination by the Company without "good cause" or by any of the NEOs (including Mr. Amos but excluding Mr. Koide) for "good reason," all outstanding equity awards become fully vested, except that equity awards of the NEOs subject to Company performance will remain subject to that performance. Regardless of the reason for Mr. Lake's termination, under his agreement, he will receive a lump sum retirement benefit equal to two times his base salary. Unless Mr. Koide is dismissed by the Company for cause or violates his restrictive covenants, he will receive a retirement benefit determined under a formula in his employment agreement, and the amount of the retirement benefit will be reduced by the amount of the retirement benefit paid to him when he previously retired in 2006. For purposes of Mr. Koide's retirement benefit, a "dismissal for cause" is a dismissal effected by resolution of the Board due to Mr. Koide's (i) material violation of his obligations under his employment agreement; (ii) repeated violation of his employment agreement after warning to correct; (iii) commission of a crime or a reasonable suspicion that he has done so; (iv) interference with Company business operations by failing to create cooperative relations with Company employees or by acting in bad faith; (v) actions in conflict with the Company's interest, thereby possibly harming the Company's interest; (vi) becoming insolvent or his credit standing is acknowledged to have deteriorated; (vii) conduct that is suspected as illegal, unjust or in breach of faith as an officer; (viii) lack of aptitude necessary for his position or to fulfill the requirements of his employment agreement, as judged by the Company; (ix) behavior or words contrary to his employment agreement, Company regulations or his duties; or (x) judgment by the Company that he is not appropriate as an officer.

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If an NEO's employment (other than that of Mr. Koide) is terminated by the Company for "good cause," or by the NEO without "good reason," the Company generally is obligated to pay compensation and benefits only to the extent accrued by the date of termination (except that Mr. Lake is entitled to his retirement benefit of two times his base salary regardless of the reason for his termination). Under the NEOs' employment agreements (other than that of Mr. Koide), "good cause" generally means the Company has determined that any of the following have occurred or exist: (i) the willful failure by the NEO to substantially perform assigned management duties (other than due to sickness, injury, or disability); (ii) intentional conduct by the NEO causing substantial injury to the Company; or (iii) the NEO's conviction of or plea of guilty to a felony. "Good reason" (except in the case of Mr. Koide) generally is defined to include (i) a material breach of the employment agreement by the Company in regard to compensation or benefits, or termination of the employment agreement; (ii) a material diminution or change in the NEO's title, duties, or authority; (iii) a material relocation of the Company's principal offices (or in Mr. Kirsch's case, the Company's principal New York office or his own office; or in Mr. Lake's case, the Japan operation's office or his own office); or (iv) the failure of the Company for "good cause," an NEO (other than Mr. Koide) is prohibited for a two-year period from directly or indirectly competing with the Company. Upon Mr. Koide's termination of employment for any reason, he is prohibited for a one-year period from competing with the Company and from soliciting employees.

The NEOs' employment agreements provide that compensation and benefits continue for certain specified periods in the event the NEO becomes totally disabled. Upon the death of an NEO (other than Mr. Koide), the NEO's estate is to be paid an amount, over a three-year period, equal to the NEO's base salary and any non-equity incentive awards actually paid during the last three years of the NEO's life. In addition, all outstanding equity awards (including those of Mr. Koide) will be honored and vest upon the date of death or disability.

Upon a "change in control" of the Company, employment agreements for the NEOs (other than Messrs. Amos and Koide) are extended for an additional three-year period. If, following a "change in control", the employment of an NEO (other than Messrs. Amos and Koide) is terminated by the Company without "good cause" or by the NEO for "good reason," the Company must pay to the NEO, among other payments but in lieu of any further salary payments, a lump-sum severance payment equal to three times the sum of the NEO's base salary and non-equity incentive award under the MIP (as paid during periods specified in the agreement). Amounts payable upon a "change in control" will be reduced to the extent they are not deductible by the Company for income tax purposes. If, following a "change in control", the employment of a NEO is terminated by the Company without "good cause" or by the NEO for "good reason," all of that NEO's outstanding equity awards (except in the case of Messrs. Amos and Koide) will become fully vested, and all performance criteria will be considered satisfied at the maximum performance level.

A "change in control" generally is deemed to occur when (i) a person or group acquires ownership of 50% or more of the Common Stock; (ii) a person or group acquires ownership of 30% or more of the Common Stock over a consecutive twelvemonth period; (iii) during any period of twelve consecutive months, a majority of individuals who constitute the Board are replaced without endorsement by a majority of the Board members at the beginning of the period; or (iv) a person or group acquires ownership of 40% or more of the total gross fair market value of the Company's assets.

The following table reflects the amount of compensation payable to each of the NEOs in the event of termination of such executive's employment under various termination scenarios. The amounts shown assume in all cases that the termination was effective on December 31, 2019, and therefore include amounts earned through such time and estimates of the amounts that would be paid to the NEOs upon their termination. The Company and Mr. Koide agreed to renew his employment agreement for one year through December 31, 2020, but this extension does not impact the amounts shown in the table. Because a number of factors affect the nature and amount of any benefits actually paid, amounts paid or distributed may be different from those shown below. Messrs. Amos, Lake and Koide are the only NEOs who are eligible to receive immediate retirement benefits. See "Pension Benefits" and "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation" above for more information.

As noted in the table below, the benefits provided, and requirements imposed vary with the circumstances under which the termination occurs.

			Before Ch	ange in Control				
		Company Termination without "Good Cause" or by	Company	Voluntary Termination without	Voluntary			Change in Contro Termination withou "Good
		Employee for "Good	for "Good	"Good Reason" and	Termination with			Cause" or for "Good
Nome	Benefit	Reason"(1)		No Competition ⁽³⁾	•	Death ⁽⁵⁾	Disability ⁽⁶⁾	Reason"(7
Name Daniel P.	Salary	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$) 4,323,300	(\$) 2,161,650	(\$)
Amos	Non-equity Incentive Award ⁽⁸⁾					15,469,545	4,002,594	
	Severance					15,409,545	4,002,394	
	Retirement ⁽⁹⁾	E1 222 174	51,322,174	51,322,174		39,322,496	51,393,784	51,322,174
	Health & Welfare Benefits ⁽¹⁰⁾	2,364,803	2,364,803	2,364,803		188,109	2,388,041	2,364,803
	Equity Awards ⁽¹¹⁾	66,380,507	2,304,603	48,518,716	48,518,716	66,380,507		66,380,507
	Totals	120,067,484		102,205,693			126,326,576	
Frederick J.		1,812,500		102,203,093	46,516,710	2,150,000	1,087,500	120,007,404
Crawford	Non-equity Incentive Award ⁽⁸⁾	2,762,453				4,436,219	1,104,981	
	Severance	2,702,455				4,430,219	1,104,981	6,350,004
	Retirement ⁽⁹⁾	42,000				1,414,242	3,560,805	1,414,242
	Health & Welfare Benefits ⁽¹⁰⁾	40,578					24,347	48,693
	Equity Awards ⁽¹¹⁾	20,334,443				20,334,443		20,334,443
	Totals	24,991,974				28,334,904		28,147,382
Eric M.	Salary	1,300,000				1,837,600	975,000	20,147,302
Kirsch	Non-equity Incentive Award ⁽⁸⁾	4,583,990				6,266,935	2,291,995	
	Severance	-1,505,550						8,400,261
	Retirement ⁽⁹⁾	39,762				_	76,443	0,400,201
	Health & Welfare Benefits ⁽¹⁰⁾	27,476					20,607	41,214
	Equity Awards ⁽¹¹⁾	10,986,166				10,986,166	10,986,166	10,986,166
	Totals	16,937,394				19.090.701		19,427,641
Charles D.	Salary	1,210,232				1,647,005	1,210,232	13,427,041
Lake II ⁽¹²⁾	Non-equity Incentive Award ⁽⁸⁾	1,749,598				2,266,811	693,044	
	Severance	1,743,330				2,200,011		4,439,745
	Retirement ⁽⁹⁾	1,210,232	1,210,232	1,210,232	1,210,232	1,210,232	1,210,232	1,210,232
	Health & Welfare Benefits ⁽¹⁰⁾	201,453	.,2.,2,2,2		.,210,202	.,210,202	151,090	
	Equity Awards ⁽¹¹⁾	8,444,903				8,444,903	8,444,903	8,444,903
	Totals	12,816,418	1,210,232	1,210,232		13,568,951		14,397,059
Masatoshi			-				297,974	
Koide ⁽¹²⁾	Non-equity Incentive Award ⁽⁸⁾							
	Severance					_		
	Retirement ⁽⁹⁾	768,161	_	768,161	768,161	768,161	768,161	768,161
	Health & Welfare Benefits ⁽¹⁰⁾							
	Equity Awards ⁽¹¹⁾	5,326,113			_	5,326,113	5,326,113	5,326,113
	Totals	6,094,274		768,161	768,161	6,094,274		6,094,274

⁽¹⁾ Messrs. Crawford, Kirsch, and Lake are entitled to salary continuation and non-equity incentive award payments for the remaining term of their respective employment agreements. Mr. Amos voluntarily gave up his right to such payments. Health and welfare benefits would continue for the remainder of the contract term, except for Mr. Amos, who is entitled to health and welfare benefits under the RPSO.

⁽²⁾ Termination for good cause eliminates the salary continuation and non-equity incentive award obligation for the remainder of the contract period and causes a forfeiture of the executive's participation in any supplemental retirement plan (except for Mr. Amos and Mr. Lake). In addition, all equity awards, whether vested or unvested, are forfeited.

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- ⁽³⁾ Voluntary termination by the executive without good reason eliminates the salary continuation and non-equity incentive award obligations for the remainder of the contract term. In addition, nonvested equity awards will be forfeited, except in the case of Mr. Amos, who is retirement-eligible under the terms of the Company's equity agreements and will vest in all equity awards granted at least one year before the date his employment terminates (subject to satisfaction of performance goals).
- ⁽⁴⁾ Any executive who competes with the Company after termination will forfeit the right to any further salary and non-equity incentive award payments and any benefits under the RPSO (however, Messrs. Lake's and Koide retirement benefits will still be paid based on the plan document). In addition, nonvested equity awards will be forfeited, except in the case of Mr. Amos, who is retirement-eligible under the terms of the Company's equity agreements and will vest in all equity awards granted at least one year before the date his employment terminates (subject to satisfaction of performance goals).
- ⁽⁵⁾ When an executive (other than Mr. Koide) dies, the executive's estate is entitled to receive terminal pay (paid in equal installments over 36 months) equal to the amount of the executive's base pay and non-equity incentive award paid in the previous 36 months, or, if the executive was employed less than 36 months, the amount the executive would have been paid if he or she had survived for the full 36-month period. Additionally, retirement benefits in this column include the present value of the accumulated benefit obligation for a surviving spouse annuity under the RPSO for Mr. Amos, and include the entirety of the retirement benefit under Messrs. Lake's and Koide's agreements. Mr. Crawford participates in the Company-funded EDCP, which will vest at death. The NEOs and other officers also are eligible for life insurance benefits along with, and on the same basis as, the Company's other salaried employees. Mr. Lake also has a life insurance policy as part of his perquisites.
- ⁽⁶⁾ Disability benefits are payable for 18 months or, if shorter, until the end of the term of the applicable agreement, while the executive remains employed during his disability except for Mr. Koide. For all NEOs other than Mr. Lake and Mr. Koide, any disability benefits paid in the form of salary continuation or non-equity incentive awards would be offset by the maximum annual amount allowed (\$144,000) under the Company-sponsored disability income plan. Mr. Crawford participates in the Company-funded EDCP, which would vest at disability. Mr. Koide is eligible to receive disability benefits paid in the form of salary continuation until he reaches age 60.
- ⁽⁷⁾ Upon termination after a change in control, Messrs. Crawford, Kirsch, and Lake would each be entitled a lump-sum severance payment of three times the sum of (i) annual base salary in effect immediately prior to the change in control, and (ii) the non-equity incentive award paid in the year preceding the termination date or the year preceding the change in control, whichever amount is higher. Mr. Amos has waived his entitlement to receive a severance payment.
- ^(B) The non-equity incentive award amounts on this line do not include the 2019 non-equity incentive awards that were paid to the NEOs in February 2020, and which were nonforfeitable as of December 31, 2019, under all circumstances other than termination for competition.
- ⁽⁹⁾ Amounts in this row generally include (i) the present value of the applicable benefits payable under the RPSO, and (ii) certain additional amounts determined under the executive's employment agreement in lieu of continued participation in the Company's broad-based retirement plans. The amount shown for Mr. Lake is based on the retirement provision in his agreement, which provides for a benefit equal to two times his base salary at the time he retires, without regard to the reason for his termination (including if for cause). The amount shown for Mr. Koide is based on the retirement provision in his agreement, which provides for a benefit equal to two times his base salary less the retirement benefit paid previously (40.8 million yen) at the time he retires, without regard to the reason for his termination (excluding if for cause).
- (10) Amounts in this row generally represent the estimated lump-sum present value of all premiums that would be paid by the Company for applicable health and welfare benefits. The value shown for Mr. Amos includes his post-employment medical benefits under the RPSO for his life and the life of his spouse, the value of certain other welfare benefits, and non-medical fringe benefits (including office space) for his life. These amounts would not be payable if Mr. Amos engages in any activity that competes with the Company. The value of health coverage for each of Messrs. Crawford, Kirsch and Lake is the monthly cost of Company-paid premiums for active employee coverage under the health plan, multiplied by the number of months of Company-paid continued coverage for which the executive is eligible as determined under his employment agreement.
- Amounts in this row represent the estimated value of accelerated vesting of stock options and restricted stock awards. The value for stock options was determined as follows: the excess of the per share closing price on the NYSE on the last business day of the year over the per share option exercise price, multiplied by the number of unvested option shares. The value for restricted stock awards was determined by multiplying the number of unvested stock awards by the same per share closing price used for options. The values of these awards that are performance-based assume maximum performance goals were achieved.
- ⁽¹²⁾ All yen-denominated payments for Messrs. Lake and Koide are converted to dollars by dividing the payments by the 2019 annual weighted average exchange rate. The weighted average exchange rate was 109.07 yen to the dollar for 2019.

CEO PAY RATIO

The Company believes that executive pay should be internally consistent and equitable to motivate the Company's employees and create shareholder value. To demonstrate the Company's commitment to that principle, and as required by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and SEC rules adopted thereunder, we are disclosing the ratio of the annual total compensation of the CEO and Chairman, Mr. Daniel P. Amos, to the annual total compensation of the individual we have identified as the median employee for this purpose.

As determined in accordance with applicable SEC rules, for 2019, the last completed fiscal year:

- The annual total compensation of the CEO, as reported in the 2019 Summary Compensation Table included on page 46, was \$14,108,852; and
- The annual total compensation of the median employee determined on this same basis was \$56,371.

Based on this information, the ratio of the annual total compensation of our Chief Executive Officer to the median of the annual total compensation of all employees is 250 to 1.

To identify the annual total compensation of the median employee, the Company first determined the compensation for all the Company's employees other than the CEO as of December 31, 2019, taking into account the annual sum of cash wages, overtime and bonus from payroll records, in each case determined without regard to cost-of-living adjustments. As of such date, the Company's employee population consisted of approximately 12,311 individuals working at the parent company and its consolidated subsidiaries, with 43% of these individuals located in the United States and 57% located in Japan. We excluded 146 employees of Argus Holdings, LLC, which the Company acquired during fiscal 2019 in a transaction that closed on November 7, 2019 and 69 employees of Tsusan Co., Ltd, which Aflac Japan acquired on May 8, 2019. The employee population above includes part-time and temporary employees as of December 31, 2019 (excluding employees on unpaid leave as of December 31, 2019), as compared to the employee population disclosed in the December 31, 2019 Form 10-K, which includes only full-time employees. For employees located in Japan, the compensation in Japanese yen was converted to U.S. dollars using the annual weighted average exchange rate of Japanese yen to U.S. dollars of 109.07 to 1 on December 31, 2019.

The Company determined that, on this basis, the median employee was a full-time, salaried employee located in the U.S., with wages, overtime and bonus pay for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2019, in the amount of \$53,180.

With respect to the median employee, the Company then identified and calculated the elements of such employee's compensation for the entirety of 2019 in accordance with the requirements of Item 402(c)(2)(x) of Regulation S-K (the basis for determining annual total compensation as reported in the Summary Compensation Table), resulting in annual total compensation in the amount of \$56,371. The difference between such employee's wages, overtime and bonus pay and the employee's annual total compensation represents the value of such employee's Company-paid benefits (\$3,191).

Mr. Amos has been CEO of the Company since 1990 and Chairman since 2001. His longstanding tenure, coupled with normal changes in the calculation of his pension, causes his pension value (when calculated according to Item 402(c)(2)(x) of Regulation S-K) to vary greatly from year to year, which could cause large changes in the ratio.

EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION

The following table provides information with respect to compensation plans under which our equity securities are authorized for issuance to our employees or Non-employee Directors, as of December 31, 2019.

Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights ^(a)	Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights ^(b)	Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans Excluding Securities Reflected in Column ^{(a)(c)}
Equity Compensation Plans	4,958,703	\$29.65	39,327,771*
Approved by Shareholders			
Equity Compensation Plans		_	_
Not Approved by Shareholders			
Total	4,958,703	\$29.65	39,327,771

* Of the shares listed in column (c), 34,447,798 shares are available for grant other than in the form of options, warrants, or rights (i.e., in the form of restricted stock or restricted stock units).

Number of Convition

Audit Matters

Proposal 3 Ratification of Auditors

In February 2020, the Audit and Risk Committee voted to appoint KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, to perform the annual audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements for fiscal year 2020, subject to ratification by the shareholders.

The Board of Directors and the Audit and Risk Committee recommend a vote **FOR** the ratification of the selection of KPMG LLP.

Representatives of KPMG LLP are expected to attend the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. These representatives may make a statement, and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

Audit Fees and Other Fees

The aggregate fees for professional services rendered to the Company by KPMG LLP for the two most recent calendar years were as follows:

	2019 (\$)	2018 (\$)
Audit fees — Audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements	8,806,395	8,006,762
for the years ended December 31 ⁽¹⁾		
Audit-related fees ⁽²⁾	802,700	1,151,745
Tax fees ⁽³⁾	2,106	129,614
All Other fees	_	_
Total fees:	9,611,201	9,288,121

⁽¹⁾ Includes \$1,043,848 and \$798,956, respectively, for the 2019 and 2018 audits of Aflac Japan regulatory financial statements.

⁽²⁾ Includes fees relating to audits of the Company's benefit plans, service organization control reports, accounting consultations in connection with proposed transactions or emerging accounting standards and other attestation reports.

⁽³⁾ Tax fees include all services performed by professional staff in the independent Accountant's tax division for tax return and related compliance services, except for those tax services related to the integrated audit.

Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures

The Audit and Risk Committee of the Board has considered whether the provision of the non-audit professional services is compatible with maintaining KPMG LLP's independence and has concluded that it is. The Audit and Risk Committee pre-approves all audit and non-audit services provided by KPMG LLP in accordance with SEC rules, subject to the de minimis exceptions for non-audit services.

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE REPORT

The Audit and Risk Committee of the Company's Board is composed of three Directors. The Board has determined that each member of the Audit and Risk Committee is independent as defined by the NYSE listing standards and SEC rules, is financially literate, and qualifies as an audit committee financial expert as defined by SEC rules. The Audit and Risk Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board. The charter, which is reviewed annually and complies with all current regulatory requirements, is available on the Company's website, www.aflac.com, by clicking on "Investors," then "Governance," then "Governance Documents," then "Audit & Risk Committee."

In 2019, the Audit and Risk Committee met eleven times. During these meetings committee members reviewed and discussed a variety of topics with management, KPMG (the Company's independent registered public accounting firm), the internal auditors, the chief risk officer, the general counsel, the global security and chief information security officer, and others, including the Company's earnings releases and SEC filings related to quarterly and annual financial statements, statutory insurance financial statement filings, and the Company's system of internal control over financial reporting, including information security policies. The Audit and Risk Committee has discussed with, and received regular status reports from, the Company's director of internal audit and KPMG on the overall scope and plans for their audits of the Company. The Audit and Risk Committee met with the internal auditors and KPMG, with and without management present, to discuss the results of their examinations, their evaluations of the Company's financial reporting.

The Audit and Risk Committee has monitored the Company's compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act regarding the reporting related to internal control over financial reporting. The monitoring process has included regular reports and representations by financial management of the Company, the internal auditors, and by KPMG. The Audit and Risk Committee also has reviewed the certifications of Company executive officers contained in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, as well as reports issued by KPMG related to its audit of the consolidated financial statements and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting.

The Audit and Risk Committee is responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention, and oversight of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm. In accordance with SEC rules and KPMG's policies, audit partners are subject to rotation requirements to limit the number of consecutive years an individual partner may provide service to the Company. The maximum number of consecutive years of service as lead audit partner is five years. The process for selecting the lead audit partner for the Company pursuant to this rotation policy involves a meeting between the Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee and prospective candidates, as well as discussions with the full Audit and Risk Committee and with management. The Audit and Risk Committee evaluates the performance of KPMG, including the senior members of the audit engagement team, each year and determines whether to re-engage KPMG or to consider other audit firms. In doing so, the Audit and Risk Committee considers the quality and efficiency of the services provided; the firm's global capabilities, particularly in the U.S. and Japan; its technical expertise; its tenure as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm (KPMG has served in this capacity since 1963); and its knowledge of the Company's operations and industry. Based on this review and discussions with members of senior management, the Audit and Risk Committee concluded it was in the best interest of the Company and the shareholders to recommend KPMG to the Board to serve as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm during 2019. Although the Audit and Risk Committee has the sole authority to appoint the independent auditors, the Audit and Risk Committee will continue its long-standing practice of recommending that the Board ask the shareholders to ratify this appointment (see Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (Proposal 3)).

The Audit and Risk Committee also discussed with KPMG those matters required to be discussed by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the PCAOB) and the Commission. The Audit and Risk Committee received the written disclosures and the letter from KPMG required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the independent auditors' communications with the Audit and Risk Committee concerning independence, and has discussed with KPMG its independence. The Audit and Risk Committee considered with KPMG whether the provision of non-audit services provided by it to the Company during 2019 was compatible with its independence.

In performing all of these functions the Audit and Risk Committee acts in an oversight capacity. The Audit and Risk Committee reviews the Company's quarterly and annual reports on Form 10-Q and Form 10-K prior to filing with the SEC. In its oversight role the Audit and Risk Committee relies on the work and assurances of the Company's management, which has the primary responsibility for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting and for preparing the financial statements and other reports, and of KPMG, which is engaged to audit and report on the consolidated financial statements

of the Company and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. In reliance on these reviews and discussions, and the reports of KPMG, the Audit and Risk Committee has recommended to the Board, and the Board has approved, the audited financial statements to be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, for filing with the SEC.

For additional information, see the "The Audit and Risk Committee" section on page 14.

Audit and Risk Committee Karole F. Lloyd, Chair W. Paul Bowers Joseph L. Moskowitz

RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

The Company recognizes that transactions between the Company and any of its Directors or executives can present potential or actual conflicts of interest and create the appearance that decisions are based on considerations other than the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. Accordingly, consistent with our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, it is the Company's preference to avoid such transactions. Nevertheless, there are situations where such transactions may be in, or not inconsistent with, the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. Therefore, the Company has adopted a written policy that requires the Audit and Risk Committee to review and, if appropriate, to approve or ratify any such transactions. Pursuant to the policy, the Audit and Risk Committee will review any transaction in which the Company is or will be a participant and the amount involved exceeds \$120,000 in any fiscal year, and in which any of the following had, has, or will have a direct or indirect material interest: (i) a Director, (ii) an executive officer, (iii) a holder of more than 5% of the Company's outstanding shares, (iv) an immediate family member of any of these persons, or (v) any firm, corporation, or other entity in which one of these persons is employed or is a general partner or principal or in a similar position, or in which such person has a 5% or greater beneficial interest. During its review, the Audit and Risk Committee considers a number of factors, including whether the related person transaction is on terms no less favorable to the Company than may reasonably be expected in arm's-length transactions. The Audit and Risk Committee will only approve or ratify those transactions that it determines in good faith are in, or are not inconsistent with, the best interests of the Company and its shareholders.

Each of the following ongoing transactions has been reviewed and ratified by the Audit and Risk Committee:

Mr. Paul S. Amos II, Daniel P. Amos' son, entered into a separation agreement with a Company affiliate on June 6, 2017, and his employment ended on July 1, 2017. Under the agreement, Mr. Paul S. Amos II provided an undertaking to protect corporate property for 24 months after the end of his employment and may not solicit Company employees or independent contractors to leave the Company. The agreement provided for Mr. Paul S. Amos II to receive an aggregate payment of \$3,404,494 over the life of the agreement, which is equal to the sum of thirty months of base salary continuation, an annual incentive award with respect to fiscal year 2017, and the cost of eighteen months of premiums under the Company's health insurance plan. The Company paid \$700,000 during 2019. Per the terms of his agreement, no additional payments will be made to Mr. Paul S. Amos II.

In 2013, Aflac Japan (then operating as a branch of Aflac) entered a lease for office space at the Marunouchi Center Building in Tokyo, Japan, which is owned by Chuo Real Estate Co., Ltd. The current lease has a term of 2 years. Mr. Toshihiko Fukuzawa who serves on the Company's Board, was appointed as President and CEO of Chuo Real Estate Co., Ltd. in July 2018. The lease was in place prior to Mr. Fukuzawa's service with Chuo Real Estate Co., Ltd., and he had no involvement in negotiations of the lease or in Aflac Japan's decision to lease space in the Marunouchi Center Building. Mr. Fukuzawa receives no compensation from either the Company or Chuo Real Estate Co., Ltd. related to the lease. At the 2019 weighted average rate of 109.07 yen to the dollar, Aflac Japan paid the yen equivalent of \$2,359,493 in rent under the lease during the 2019 calendar year.

At the end of 2019, Mr. Max K. Brodén was the Senior Vice President, Deputy Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Company. As of January 1, 2020, he is the Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Company. His spouse, Sabrina Pasini Brodén, has been employed with Aflac since January 28, 2019. Prior to her employment with Aflac, she was an independent consultant in the marketing department. She is currently a Customer and User Experience Consultant. In 2019, her total compensation, including salary, bonuses, commissions to the employment agency and other benefits, was \$120,916. The compensation for Sabrina Pasini Brodén is commensurate with that of her peers.

Mr. J. Todd Daniels is the Director, Executive Vice President, and Chief Financial Officer of Aflac Japan. Mr. Daniels married Amy Jarreau Daniels in May 2019. Amy Jarreau Daniels has been an employee of Aflac since April 2014. She is currently employed as a Sales Manager I. In 2019, her total compensation, including salary, bonuses and other benefits, was \$332,193. The compensation for Amy Jarreau Daniels is commensurate with that of her peers.

As previously announced, on December 19, 2018, Japan Post Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Japan Post Holdings"), the Company, and Aflac Japan entered in to a Basic Agreement regarding the "Strategic Alliance Based on Capital Relationship." Pursuant to the Basic Agreement, Japan Post Holdings committed to acquire approximately 7% of the outstanding shares of the Company's Common Stock via a trust and to treat the Company as an equity-method affiliate after application of the "10-for-1 rule" (the rule included in the Company's Articles of Incorporation, as amended, pursuant to which, and subject to certain limited exceptions, each Common Share is entitled to ten votes after it has been held for 48 consecutive months by the same beneficial owner). Further, Japan Post Holdings and Aflac Japan agreed to reconfirm existing initiatives regarding cancer insurance and make reasonable efforts to further develop initiatives related to the continued growth of cancer insurance sales, such as positioning Aflac Japan Post Holdings, Japan Post Co., Ltd. ("JPC") and JPI, and promoting cancer insurance sales and managing promotion based on established sales targets. Under the Basic Agreement, Japan Post Holdings and Aflac Japan digital technology in various processes, cooperating in new product development to promote customer-centric business management, cooperating in domestic and/or overseas business expansion and joint investment in third party entities and cooperating with regard to asset management.

On February 28, 2019, the Company entered into a Shareholders Agreement (the "Shareholders Agreement") with Japan Post Holdings and certain of its affiliates. Pursuant to the Shareholders Agreement, Japan Post Holdings agreed to cause the J&A Alliance Trust, a New York voting trust (the "Trust") to use commercially reasonable efforts to acquire, through open market or private block purchases in the United States, beneficial ownership of approximately 7% of the Common Stock in connection with the Basic Agreement. According to a Schedule 13G/A filed by Japan Post Holdings with the SEC on January 8, 2020, the Trust had beneficially acquired 6.47% of the outstanding Common Shares as of December 31, 2019. Japan Post Holdings is the sole beneficiary of the Trust. According to a press release by Japan Post Holdings on February 14, 2020, the Trust had completed the planned beneficial acquisition of approximately 7% of the outstanding Common Shares as of February 13, 2020.

Since 2008, the Company and Aflac Japan have maintained various commercial and contractual arrangements with Japan Post Holdings and certain of its affiliates. Under these arrangements, affiliates of Japan Post Holdings conduct the sale of Aflac cancer insurance policies in Japan and, among other things, provide supplemental support necessary or beneficial to effectuating the sale and servicing of such policies. Aflac Japan's cancer insurance policies issued pursuant to these contractual arrangements constituted approximately 4.4% of earned premium for 2019, representing approximately 3.0% of Aflac Incorporated's total consolidated earned premium for 2019. In exchange for facilitating such sales and other services including JPI's acting as reinsurer for a certain percentage of the underwriting risk for Aflac Japan cancer insurance sold by JPC and JPI, affiliates of Japan Post Holdings collectively received approximately \$186 million in commission and other payments from Aflac Japan during 2019.

Stock Ownership

BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF THE COMPANY'S SECURITIES

As of February 25, 2020, no person was the owner of record or, to the knowledge of the Company, beneficial owner of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock or of the available votes of the Company other than as shown below.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Title of Class Common Stock	Amount of Beneficial Ownership Shares	Amount of Beneficial Ownership Votes	Percent of Class	Percent of Available Votes
J&A Alliance Holdings Corporation*	1 Vote Per	47,502,023	47,502,023	6.6	4.0
1007 Fukoku Seimei Building	Share				
2-2-2 Uchisaiwai-cho, Chiyoda-ku					
Tokyo 100-0011, Japan					
BlackRock, Inc.*	1 Vote Per	56,013,765	56,013,765	7.7	4.7
55 East 52nd Street	Share				
New York, NY 10055					
The Vanguard Group*	1 Vote Per	65,796,643	65,796,643	9.1	5.5
100 Vanguard Boulevard	Share				
Malvern, PA 19355					
State Street Corporation*	1 Vote Per	38,568,886	38,568,886	5.3	3.2
State Street Financial Center	Share				
One Lincoln Street					
Boston, MA 02111					

The above information is derived from Schedule 13G filings filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, dated January 8, 2020, by J&A Alliance Holdings Corporation, dated February 5, 2020, by BlackRock, Inc., dated February 12, 2020, by The Vanguard Group, and dated February 13, 2020, by State Street Corporation. According to the Schedule 13G filings; J&A Alliance Holdings Corporation, has shared voting power with respect to 47,502,023 shares. BlackRock, Inc., has sole voting power with respect to 48,668,419 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 56,013,765 shares. The Vanguard Group has sole voting power with respect to 1,094,696 shares, shared voting power with respect to 272,436 shares, sole dispositive power with respect to 64,500,173 shares and shared dispositive power with respect to 1,296,470 shares. State Street Corporation has shared voting power with respect to 34,477,261 shares and shared dispositive power with respect to 38,498,841 shares.

Security Ownership of Directors

The following information is provided with respect to each Director and Director nominee:

Name	Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned on February 25, 2020 ⁽¹⁾	Percent of Outstanding Shares	Voting Rights on February 25, 2020	Percent of Available Votes
Daniel P. Amos	4,468,935	.6	35,431,707	3.0
W. Paul Bowers	31,402	*	169,020	*
Toshihiko Fukuzawa	3,011,364	.4	30,011,364	2.5
Robert B. Johnson	39,120	*	240,576	*
Thomas J. Kenny	58,753	*	338,167	*
Georgette D. Kiser	2,631	*	2,631	*
Karole F. Lloyd	28,196	*	73,196	*
Nobuchika Mori	*	*	*	*
Joseph L. Moskowitz	57,067	*	84,067	*
Barbara K. Rimer, DrPH	134,266	*	929,362	.1
Katherine T. Rohrer	8,359	*	23,542	*
Melvin T. Stith	36,795	*	253,750	*

Percentage not listed if less than .1%.

Includes 536,677 shares of restricted stock awarded under the Long-Term Incentive Plan for Daniel P. Amos that he has the right to vote. These shares will vest three years from the date of grant if the Company attains certain performance goals. Includes options to purchase shares, which are exercisable within 60 days for: Thomas J. Kenny, 29,470; Joseph L Moskowitz, 41,729 and Barbara K. Rimer, DrPH, 108,348. Also includes shares of restricted stock awarded under the Long-Term Incentive Plan for W. Paul Bowers, Tohsihiko Fukuzawa, Robert B. Johnson, Karole F. Lloyd, Joseph L. Moskowitz, Barbara K. Rimer, DrPH, Katherine T. Rohrer, and Melvin T. Stith 3,117 each, Thomas J. Kenny, 5,832 and Georgette D. Kiser 2,631, for which these individuals have the right to vote. These shares will vest one year from the date of grant.

Also includes the following shares:

- Daniel P. Amos: 84,528 shares owned by his spouse; 991,826 shares owned by a partnership of which he is a partner; 908,632 shares owned by trusts of which he is trustee; 238,008 shares owned by the Daniel P. Amos Family Foundation, Inc.; 958,139 owned by the Soma Foundation, Inc.
- Toshihiko Fukuzawa: 3,000,000 shares owned by The Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. Mr. Fukuzawa represents the power to vote these shares.

Security Ownership of Management

The following table sets forth, as of February 25, 2020, the number of shares and percentage of outstanding shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by: (i) our named executive officers, comprising our CEO, CFO, and the three other most highly compensated executive officers as listed in the Executive Compensation section of this Proxy Statement whose information was not provided under the heading "Proposal 1: Election of Directors," and (ii) all Directors and executive officers as a group.

COMMON STOCK BENEFICIALLY OWNED AND APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF CLASS AS OF FEBRUARY 25, 2020

		Percent of		Percent of	
Name	Shares ⁽¹⁾	Shares	Votes	Votes	
Frederick J. Crawford	316,316	*	1,249,598	.1	
Eric M. Kirsch	291,834	*	1,506,888	.1	
Charles D. Lake II	196,546	*	936,850	.1	
Masatoshi Koide	99,405	*	197,685	*	
All Directors, nominees, and executive officers as a group	10,019,922	1.4	77,797,659	6.6	
(25 individuals)					

Percentage not listed if less than .1%.

Includes options that are exercisable within 60 days for Frederick J. Crawford, 87,764; Eric M. Kirsch, 38,230; Charles D. Lake II, 38,418; Matoshi Koide, 3,201; and for all Directors and executive officers as a group to purchase 685,865 shares. These shares will vest 3 years from the date of grant if the Company attains certain performance goals. Also includes the following shares of restricted stock awarded under the Long-Term Incentive Plan: in 2018, 2019 and 2020 for Frederick J. Crawford, 121,413; Eric M. Kirsch, 80,935; Charles D. Lake II, 77,167; Masatoshi Koide, 65,815; and for all Directors and executive officers as a group of 1,301,207. The grantees have the right to vote their restricted stock, but they may not transfer the shares until they have vested. No Director nominee or executive officer has any pledged shares. For information on the Company's pledging policy, please see "Stock Ownership Guidelines; Hedging and Pledging Restrictions" on page 44.

DELINQUENT SECTION 16(a) REPORTS

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, executive officers, Directors, and holders of more than 10% of the Common Stock are required to file reports of their trading in Company equity securities with the SEC. Based solely on a review of the copies of such reports received by the Company, or written representations from certain reporting persons, the Company believes that all filings required to be made by its reporting persons complied with all applicable Section 16 filing requirements during the last fiscal year with one exception: Mr. J. Todd Daniels, an executive officer, did not timely report on his July 2019 Form 4 the shares owned by his new spouse.

Solicitation and Revocation of Proxy

This Proxy Statement is furnished to shareholders in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") for use at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Monday, May 4, for the purposes set forth in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting and described in detail herein, and any adjournment of that meeting. The Annual Meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Columbus Museum (in the Patrick Theatre), 1251 Wynnton Road, Columbus, Georgia. We continue to monitor developments regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19). In the interest of the health and well-being of our shareholders, we are planning for the possibility that the Annual Meeting may be held solely by means of remote communication. If we make this change, we will announce the decision to do so in advance and provide details on how to participate at investors.aflac.com.

The mailing address of our principal executive offices is Aflac Incorporated, 1932 Wynnton Road, Columbus, Georgia 31999.

All properly executed proxies returned to the Company will be voted in accordance with the instructions contained thereon. If you return your signed proxy with no voting instructions indicated, the proxy will be voted FOR the election of all Director nominees named in this Proxy Statement, FOR approval of Proposals 2 and 3, and according to the discretion of the proxy holders on any other matters that may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof. If you are a shareholder of record, you also may submit your proxy online or by telephone in accordance with the procedures set forth in the enclosed proxy, or you may vote in person at the Annual Meeting. Shareholders can revoke a proxy at any time before it is exercised by giving written notice to that effect to the Secretary of the Company or by submitting a later-dated proxy or subsequent internet or telephonic proxy. Shareholders who attend the Annual Meeting may revoke any proxy previously granted and vote in person orally or by written ballot.

This Proxy Statement and the accompanying proxy are being delivered to shareholders on or about March 19, 2020.

SOLICITATION OF PROXIES

The Company will pay the cost of soliciting proxies. The Company will make arrangements with brokerage firms, custodians, and other fiduciaries to send proxy materials to their customers, and will reimburse these entities for the associated mailing and related expenses. In addition, certain officers and other employees of the Company may solicit proxies by telephone and by personal contacts, but those individuals will not receive additional compensation for these efforts. The Company has retained Georgeson LLC to assist in the solicitation of proxies for a fee of \$9,500, plus reimbursement of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses.

PROXY MATERIALS AND ANNUAL REPORT

As permitted by SEC rules, we are making these proxy materials available to our shareholders electronically. We believe providing online access to our critical documents will conserve natural resources and reduce the costs of printing and distributing our proxy materials. Accordingly, we have mailed to most of our shareholders a notice about the internet availability of this Proxy Statement and the Company's 2019 Year in Review and Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 (together, the "Annual Report") instead of paper copies of those documents. The notice contains instructions on how to access our reports online, how to vote at proxyvote.com, and how to request and receive a paper copy of our proxy materials, including this Proxy Statement and our Annual Report. If you select the online access option for the Proxy Statement, Annual Report, and other account mailings through *aflinc*®, the Company's secure online account management system, you will receive an electronic notice of availability of your proxy materials. If you do not receive a notice and did not already elect online access, you will receive a paper copy of the proxy materials by mail.

MULTIPLE SHAREHOLDERS SHARING THE SAME ADDRESS

The Company is sending only one Annual Report and one Proxy Statement or notice of availability of these materials to shareholders who consented and who share a single address. This is known as "householding." However, any registered shareholder who wishes to receive a separate Annual Report or Proxy Statement may contact Shareholder Services by phone at (800) 227-4756, by email at shareholder@aflac.com, or by mail at the address set forth above and we will promptly provide additional copies. If you receive multiple copies of the Annual Report or Proxy Statement or notice of availability of these materials, you may request householding by contacting Shareholder Services (if you are a registered shareholder) or by contacting the holder of record (if you own the Company's shares through a bank, broker, or other holder of record).

DESCRIPTION OF VOTING RIGHTS

The Company believes that long-term shareholders should have a greater say in our success. Accordingly, the Company's Articles of Incorporation provide that each share of the Company's Common Stock is entitled to one vote until it has been held by the same beneficial owner for a continuous period of longer than 48 months prior to the record date of the meeting, at which time each share becomes entitled to ten votes. If a share is transferred by gift, devise, or bequest, or otherwise through the laws of inheritance, descent, or distribution from the estate of the transferor, or by distribution to a beneficiary of shares held in trust, the transferee is deemed to be the same beneficial owner as the transferor for purposes of determining the number of votes per share. Shares acquired as a direct result of a stock split, stock dividend, or other distribution with respect to existing shares are deemed to have been acquired and held continuously from the date on which the underlying shares were acquired. Shares of Common Stock acquired pursuant to the exercise of a stock option are deemed to have been acquired on the date the option was granted.

Shares of Common Stock held in "street" or "nominee" name are presumed to have been held for less than 48 months and are entitled to one vote per share unless this presumption is rebutted by evidence to the contrary. If you wish to demonstrate that you have held your Common Stock in street name for longer than 48 months, please complete and execute the affidavit appearing on the reverse side of your proxy. The Board may require evidence to support the affidavit.

QUORUM AND VOTE REQUIREMENTS

Holders of record of Common Stock at the close of business on February 25, 2020, will be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. At that date, the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock entitled to vote was 722,511,510. According to the Company's records, this represents the following voting rights:

Number of				Yields this
shares		Votes per share		many votes
671,493,763	@	1	=	671,493,763
51,017,747	@	10	=	510,177,470
722,511,510		Total		1,181,671,233

If all of the outstanding shares were entitled to ten votes per share, the total number of possible votes would be 7,225,115,100. However, for purposes of this Proxy Statement, we assume that the total number of votes that may be cast at the Annual Meeting will be 1,181,671,233.

The holders of shares representing a majority of the voting rights entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, present in person or represented by proxy, will constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business that comes before the meeting. Abstentions are counted as "shares present" for purposes of determining whether a quorum exists. A broker non-vote occurs when a nominee holding shares for a beneficial owner does not vote on a particular proposal because the nominee does not have discretionary voting power with respect to that item and has not received voting instructions from the beneficial owner. Broker non-votes are counted as "shares present" at the Annual Meeting for purposes of determining whether a quorum exists.

The following table shows the voting requirements for each proposal we expect at the Annual Meeting.

Proposal	Vote required to Pass	Effect of abstentions and broker non-votes
Uncontested election	Votes cast for a nominee exceed	Abstentions and broker non-votes are
of directors	votes cast against that nominee	not counted as votes cast and have no effect
Advisory say-on-pay	Majority of the votes cast	Abstentions and broker non-votes are not counted as votes cast and have no effect
Ratification of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	Majority of the votes cast	Abstentions are not counted as votes cast and have no effect. Brokers and other nominees may vote without instructions, so we do not expect broker non-votes.

If a nominee who is already serving as a Director is not re-elected at the Annual Meeting in an uncontested election, Georgia law provides that Director would continue to serve on our Board as a "holdover director." However, our Director Resignation Policy, which is part of the Company's Guidelines on Significant Corporate Governance Issues, provides that holdover directors must tender a resignation to our Chairman of the Board. The Corporate Governance Committee will consider such resignation and recommend to the Board whether to accept or reject it. In considering whether to accept or reject the tendered resignation, the Corporate Governance Committee will consider all factors its members deem relevant, including the stated reasons why shareholders voted against such Director, the qualifications of the Director, and whether the resignation would be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. The Board will formally act on the Corporate Governance Committee's recommendation no later than ninety days following the date of the Annual Meeting at which the election occurred. The Company will, within four business days after such decision were made, publicly disclose that decision in a Form 8-K filed with the SEC, together with a full explanation of the process by which the decision was made and, if applicable, the reasons for rejecting the tendered resignation. If there were a nominee who was not already serving as a Director, and that individual was not elected at the Annual Meeting, that nominee would not become a Director or a holdover director.

In a contested election at an annual meeting of shareholders (meaning the number of nominees exceeds the number of Directors to be elected), the standard for election of Directors would be a plurality of the shares represented in person or by proxy at such meeting and entitled to vote on the election of Directors.

EFFECT OF NOT CASTING A VOTE

If you hold your shares in street name, it is critical that you provide voting instructions to the record owner. Your bank or broker is not permitted to vote shares you hold in street name without your instructions in the election of Directors (Proposal 1) or on the advisory vote on executive compensation (Proposal 2). Broker non-votes on these matters will have no effect on the outcome of the proposals. Your bank or broker may vote uninstructed shares on the ratification of the appointment of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm (Proposal 3).

If you are a shareholder of record and you do not return your proxy card, no votes will be cast on your behalf on any item of business at the Annual Meeting.

Other Matters

The Board is not aware of any matters that are expected to come before the 2020 Annual Meeting other than those referred to in this Proxy Statement. If any other matter should come before the Annual Meeting, the people named in the accompanying proxy (or their substitutes) intend to vote the proxies in accordance with their best judgment.

SUBMISSION OF SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS AND NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2021 ANNUAL MEETING

Proposals for Inclusion in our 2021 Proxy Materials

SEC rules permit shareholders to submit proposals to be included in our materials if the shareholder and the proposal satisfy the requirements specified in Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. For a shareholder proposal to be considered for inclusion in our proxy materials for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, the proposal must be received at the address provided below by November 19, 2020.

Director Nominations for Inclusion in our 2021 Proxy Materials Pursuant to our Proxy Access Bylaw

Our proxy access Bylaw permits a shareholder (or a group of up to twenty shareholders) who owns shares of our outstanding Common Stock representing at least 3% of the votes entitled to be cast on the election of Directors, and who has owned such shares continuously for at least three years, to nominate and include in our proxy materials Director candidates constituting up to 20% of the Board, if the nominating shareholder(s) and the nominee(s) satisfy the requirements specified in our Bylaws. For the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, notice of a proxy access nomination must be received at the address provided below between October 20, 2020, and November 19, 2020.

Other Proposals or Director Nominations to be Brought Before our 2021 Annual Meeting

Our Bylaws set forth procedures for shareholders who wish to propose items of business or to nominate Director candidates that are not intended to be included in our proxy materials. For the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, notice of such proposals or nominations must be received at the address provided below between January 4, 2021, and February 3, 2021. In the unlikely event the Company moves the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to a date that is more than 25 days before or after the date that is the one year anniversary of this year's Annual Meeting date (i.e., May 4, 2020), the Company must receive such notice no later than the close of business on the 10th day following the day on which notice of the meeting date is first mailed to shareholders or the Company makes a public announcement of the meeting date, whichever occurs first.

Address for Submission of Notices and Additional Information

All shareholder nominations of individuals for election as Directors or proposals of other items of business to be considered by shareholders at the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (whether or not intended for inclusion in our proxy materials) must be submitted in writing to our Corporate Secretary at Aflac Incorporated, 1932 Wynnton Road, Columbus, Georgia 31999.

Both the proxy access and the advance notice provisions of our Bylaws require a shareholder's notice of a nomination or other item of business to include certain information. Director nominees also must meet certain eligibility requirements. If you wish to introduce a nomination or other item of business, please review our Bylaws.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Company has delivered a copy of its 2019 Annual Report on Form 10-K to each shareholder entitled to vote at the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. For a copy, write to:

David A. Young

Vice President, Investor and Rating Agency Relations Aflac Incorporated Worldwide Headquarters 1932 Wynnton Road Columbus, Georgia 31999

EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE

The Company encourages you to vote. Please vote by internet or telephone, or sign, date, and return your proxy or voting instruction form in the prepaid envelope you received if you requested paper copies of our proxy materials. We encourage you to attend our 2020 Annual Meeting on May 4, 2020. To ensure that attendance is limited to shareholders and their proxies or qualified representatives, if you are not a registered shareholder, please bring with you proof of Common Stock ownership, such as a current brokerage statement, and a photo ID. If you are attending the Annual Meeting as a proxy or qualified representative of a shareholder, please bring a photo ID and written evidence of your authority to act on behalf of the shareholder. Cameras, cellphones, and other electronic or recording devices may not be used in the meeting room.

By order of the Board of Directors,

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J. Matthew Loudermilk Secretary March 19, 2020

Appendix – Definition of Non-U.S. GAAP Measures and Reconciliations to Corresponding U.S. GAAP Measures

The Proxy Statement includes references to the Company's performance measures; adjusted earnings; adjusted earnings per diluted share, excluding foreign currency impact; adjusted revenues on a currency-neutral basis; and adjusted return on equity ("AROE"). (References in this Proxy Statement such as "currency-neutral" or "excluding the impact of foreign currency" are synonymous with "excluding foreign currency impact.") These measures are not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("U.S. GAAP"), but this appendix provides reconciliations to each of the most comparable U.S. GAAP measures.

These measures exclude items that the Company believes may obscure the underlying fundamentals and trends in insurance operations because they tend to be driven by general economic conditions and events, or are related to infrequent activities not directly associated with insurance operations. Management uses adjusted earnings and adjusted earnings per diluted share, excluding foreign currency impact, to evaluate the financial performance of the Company's insurance operations on a consolidated basis, and believes that a presentation of these measures is vitally important to an understanding of the underlying profitability drivers and trends of the Company's insurance business.

The Company defines adjusted earnings (a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure) as the profits derived from operations. The most comparable U.S. GAAP measure is net earnings. Adjusted earnings are adjusted revenues less benefits and adjusted expenses. The adjustments to both revenues and expenses account for certain items that cannot be predicted or that are outside management's control. Adjusted revenues are U.S. GAAP total revenues excluding realized investment gains and losses, except for amortized hedge costs/income related to foreign currency exposure management strategies and net interest cash flows from derivatives associated with certain investment strategies. Adjusted expenses are U.S. GAAP total acquisition and operating expenses including the impact of interest cash flows from derivatives associated with notes payable but excluding any nonrecurring or other items not associated with the normal course of the Company's insurance operations and that do not reflect the Company's underlying business performance.

The Company believes that amortized hedge costs/income, which are a component of adjusted earnings, measure the periodic currency risk management costs associated with hedging a portion of Aflac Japan's U.S. dollar-denominated investments and are an important component of net investment income. Amortized hedge costs/income represent costs/income incurred or recognized in using foreign currency forward contracts to hedge certain foreign exchange risks in the company's Japan segment (costs) or in the Corporate and Other segment (income). These amortized hedge costs/ income are derived from the difference between the foreign currency spot rate at time of trade inception and the contractual foreign currency forward rate, recognized on a straight line basis over the term of the hedge. There is no comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure for amortized hedge costs

Adjusted earnings per share (basic or diluted) are the adjusted earnings for the period divided by the weighted average outstanding shares (basic or diluted) for the period presented. The most comparable U.S. GAAP measure is net earnings per share.

Adjusted return on equity excludes foreign currency impact and is calculated using adjusted earnings excluding the impact of the yen/dollar exchange rate, as reconciled with total U.S. GAAP net earnings, divided by average shareholders' equity, excluding accumulated other comprehensive income.

Adjusted earnings excluding current period foreign currency impact are computed using the average yen/dollar exchange rate for the comparable prior-year period, which eliminates fluctuations driven solely by yen-to-dollar currency rate changes.

Adjusted earnings per diluted share excluding current period foreign currency impact are computed using the average yen/dollar exchange rate for the comparable prior year period, which eliminates fluctuations driven solely by yen-to-dollar currency rate changes.

Due to the size of Aflac Japan, where the functional currency is the Japanese yen, fluctuations in the yen/dollar exchange rate can have a significant effect on reported results. In periods when the yen weakens, translating yen into dollars results in fewer dollars being reported. When the yen strengthens, translating yen into dollars results in more dollars being reported. Consequently, yen weakening has the effect of suppressing current period results in relation to the comparable prior period, while yen strengthening has the effect of magnifying current period results in relation to the comparable prior period. A significant portion of the Company's business is conducted in yen and never converted to dollars but translated in dollars for U.S. GAAP reporting purposes, which results in foreign currency impacts to earnings, cash flows and book value on a U.S. GAAP basis. Because foreign currency rates are outside management's control, the Company believes it is important to understand the impact of translating yen to U.S. dollars. Adjusted earnings, adjusted earnings per diluted share "excluding current period foreign currency impact," and adjusted revenues on a currency-neutral basis are computed using the average yen/dollar exchange rate for the comparable prior-year period, which eliminates dollar-based fluctuations driven solely by currency rate changes.

RECONCILIATIONS OF NON-U.S. GAAP MEASURES⁽¹⁾

The tables on the following pages provide reconciliations of adjusted earnings and adjusted earnings per diluted share, each excluding foreign currency impact, adjusted return on equity excluding foreign currency, and adjusted revenues excluding foreign currency, to the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measures for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP NET EARNINGS TO ADJUSTED EARNINGS⁽¹⁾

(EXCLUDING FOREIGN CURRENCY)

		In Millions		Per Diluted Share	
Twelve Months Ended December 31,	2019	2018	2019	2018	
Net earnings	\$3,304	\$2,920	\$4.43	\$3.77	
Items impacting net earnings:					
Realized investment (gains) losses ^{(2),(3),(4),(5)}	15	297	.02	.38	
Other and non-recurring (income) loss	1	75	.00	.10	
Income tax (benefit) expense on items excluded from adjusted earnings	(3)	(83)	.00	(.11)	
Tax reform adjustment ⁽⁶⁾	(4)	18	(.01)	.02	
Adjusted earnings	3,314	3,226	4.44	4.16	
Current period foreign currency impact ⁽⁷⁾	(15)	N/A	(.02)	N/A	
Adjusted earnings excluding current period foreign currency impact	\$3,299	\$3,226	\$4.42	\$4.16	

(1) Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

⁽²⁾ Amortized hedge costs of \$257 in 2019 and \$236 in 2018, related to certain foreign currency exposure management strategies have been reclassified from realized investment gains (losses) and included in adjusted earnings as a decrease to net investment income. See "Hedge Costs/Income" discussion below for further information.

⁽³⁾ Amortized hedge income of \$89 in 2019 and \$36 in 2018, related to certain foreign currency exposure management strategies have been reclassified from realized investment gains (losses) and included in adjusted earnings as increase to net investment income. See "Hedge Costs/Income" discussion below for further information.

(4) Net interest cash flows from derivatives associated with certain investment strategies of \$(17) in 2019 and an immaterial amount for 2018 have been reclassified from realized investment gains (losses) and included in adjusted earnings as a component of net investment income.

⁽⁵⁾ A gain of \$66 in 2019 and \$67 in 2018, respectively, related to the interest rate component of the change in fair value of foreign currency swaps on notes payable have been reclassified from realized investment gains (losses) and included in adjusted earnings as a component of interest expense.

⁽⁶⁾ The impact of Tax Reform was adjusted in 2018 for return-to-provision adjustments, various amended returns filed by the company, and final true-ups of deferred tax liabilities. Further impacts were recorded in 2019 a result of additional guidance released by the IRS.

⁽⁷⁾ Prior period foreign currency impact reflected as "N/A" to isolate change for current period only.

RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP RETURN ON EQUITY (ROE) TO ADJUSTED ROE⁽¹⁾

(EXCLUDING FOREIGN CURRENCY)

Twelve Months Ended December 31,	2019	2018
Net earnings - U.S. GAAP ROE ⁽²⁾	12.6%	12.2%
Impact of excluding unrealized foreign currency translation gains (losses)	(1.0)	(1.0)
Impact of excluding unrealized gains (losses) on securities and derivatives	3.6	3.0
Impact of excluding pension liability adjustment	(O.1)	(0.1)
Impact of excluding AOCI	2.5	1.8
U.S. GAAP ROE - less AOCI	15.1	13.9
Differences between adjusted earnings and net earnings ⁽³⁾	_	1.5
Adjusted ROE - reported	15.2	15.4
Less: Impact of foreign currency ⁽⁴⁾	0.1	N/A
Adjusted ROE, excluding impact of foreign currency	15.1	15.4

⁽¹⁾ Amounts presented may not foot due to rounding.

⁽²⁾ U.S. GAAP ROE is calculated by dividing net earnings (annualized) by average shareholders' equity.

⁽³⁾ See separate reconciliation of net income to adjusted earnings.

⁽⁴⁾ Impact of foreign currency is calculated by restating all yen components of the income statement to the weighted average yen rate for the comparable prior year period. The impact is the difference of the restated adjusted earnings compared to reported adjusted earnings. For comparative purposes, only current period income is restated using the weighted average prior period exchange rate, which eliminates the foreign currency impact for the current period. This allows for equal comparison of this financial measure.

RECONCILIATION OF U.S. GAAP TOTAL REVENUES TO ADJUSTED REVENUES⁽¹⁾ (EXCLUDING FOREIGN CURRENCY)

Twelve Months Ended December 31,	2019	2018
Total Revenue - U.S. GAAP	\$22,307	\$21,758
Add: Total U.S. GAAP Realized Losses	135	430
Add: Realized capital gain/loss items included in Adjusted Revenue		
Amortized hedge costs	(168)	(200)
Interest cash flows on derivatives associated with investment strategies	(17)	1
Differences between adjusted revenues and total revenues		
Adjusted revenues	\$22,256	\$21,988
Less: Impact of foreign currency ⁽²⁾	176	N/A
Adjusted revenues, excluding impact of foreign currency	\$22,080	\$21,988

Amounts presented may not foot due to rounding.

(2) Impact of foreign currency is calculated by restating all yen components of the income statement to the weighted average yen rate for the comparable prior year period. The impact is the difference of the restated adjusted revenues compared to reported adjusted revenues. For comparative purposes, only current period income is restated using the weighted average prior period exchange rate, which eliminates the foreign currency impact for the current period. This allows for equal comparison of this financial measure. This page intentionally left blank.

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Corporate Citizenship

Aflac Incorporated strongly believes that ethics, corporate citizenship and success go hand in hand. All things being equal, we believe most people prefer doing business with a company that's also a good corporate citizen. Whether it's helping families facing childhood cancer, conducting business with ethics and grace, providing opportunity for our workforce or being evermindful of our environment, serving the community while helping others is not only the right thing to do, it makes good business sense. This philosophy is a part of Aflac Incorporated's daily operations, our culture and our actions in the community.

The Company has launched a digital ESG hub at esg.aflac.com. The hub is to provides enhanced disclosures of the Aflac Incorporated's environmental and social efforts. These disclosures align with the Global Reporting Initiative. United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures, and the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board.

GOVERNANCE



- Named a World's Most Ethical Company by the Ethisphere Institute for 14 consecutive years
- Won IDG's 2020 CSO50 Awards for security projects and initiatives demonstrating outstanding business value and thought leadership
- Placed #1 by Security Magazine's Security 500 rankings in the Insurance/ Reinsurance sector in 2019

WORKPLACE



- In the United States, 35% of our key senior leadership team are ethnic minorities or women and 66% of our U.S. employees are women
- Made Fortune's World's Most Admired Companies list
- Included in Black Enterprise magazine's list of the 50 Best Companies for Diversity and LATINA *Style's* list of 50 Best Companies for Latinas to Work for in the United States
- Added to the Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index, which tracks the financial performance of public companies committed to supporting gender equality through policy development, representation and transparency

SUSTAINABILITY



- More than 85% of the buildings the Company owns and operates in the United States have earned Energy Star certification. Energy Star certified buildings use less energy and contribute fewer greenhouse gas emissions to the environment.
- Became the first insurance company in the United States to achieve both ISO 50001 Energy Management System and ISO 14001 Environmental Management Systems certifications, which help to implement technical and management strategies that significantly cut energy costs and greenhouse gas emissions – and sustain those savings over time.
- Aflac Incorporated has reduced its combined Scope 1 and Scope 2 ghg emissions by more than 50% compared to its 2007 base line.

PHILANTHROPY



- More than **17,000** Aflac independent sales associates contribute more than **\$500,000** from their commission checks to the Aflac Cancer Center each month.
- In 2019, our employees in the United States put in more than 16,000
 volunteer hours with community and charitable organizations.

Purpose... with feathers

It's **My Special Aflac Duck**[®], a social robot that uses medical play, lifelike movement and emotions, and an augmented-reality app to engage and comfort kids during their cancer treatment.

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