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Statement by Connecticut State Treasurer Denise L. Nappier Re: Apple Inc. Shareholder Resolution

"As a long-term shareholder, I am troubled by the Apple Inc. board's refusal to adopt a policy that would set and disclose option award dates in advance, especially in the wake of a backdating scandal that has shaken investor confidence, attracted negative publicity, and sparked investigations from the SEC and U.S. Justice Department. Instituting such a policy would better align executive pay and shareholder value, and would prevent this unethical practice from occurring in the future."