The Las Vegas Victims’ Fund (“LVVF”) is a Nevada non-profit corporation established to oversee the consolidation and distribution of the funds contributed through the generosity of businesses, foundations and thousands of individual donors (“Fund”) in response to the shootings at the site of the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival on October 1, 2017 (“1 October”). Funds to be distributed by the LVVF originate from the GoFundMe Victims’ Fund established on October 2, 2017, by Clark County Commission Chairman Steve Sisolak and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Sheriff Joseph Lombardo, the National Compassion Fund, the Direct Impact Fund and numerous other fundraising efforts. The LVVF is a tax-exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The events of 1 October resulted in unspeakable tragedy, trauma and loss for thousands of people who attended the music festival, responded to assist the victims or were otherwise impacted by the tragic events of that night. These funds are to be distributed to those who have been the most severely impacted by loss of life or physical injury. In the development of this Final Protocol, the LVVF Committee focused its efforts on making the most impact on the most victimized with the resources available. The LVVF Committee acknowledges that everyone in attendance and many others in Las Vegas have some level of emotional trauma. After deliberation about the vast number of victims, the LVVF Committee determined to focus the disbursement of this gift on those who have also suffered a physical injury that fits into one of the categories outlined below. While it is not feasible to distribute money from the Fund to all of the individuals impacted by 1 October, it is important to recognize that the criteria set forth in this Final Protocol is by no means intended to devalue or minimize the trauma that has been experienced by a great many. We acknowledge that the thousands of people emotionally traumatized by the events of that night are truly victims and need assistance, and while the LVVF cannot financially assist all of those impacted by 1 October, there are resources available to assist victims and we encourage everyone emotionally impacted to contact state, county and private providers to obtain all assistance available. Information concerning treatment for emotional distress (and other forms of assistance and resources), can be found on the Lasvegasvictimsfund.org website or on the websites of other qualified organizations identified in this Final Protocol. One hundred percent of the donations to the Fund will be used to assist the families of the decedents and the victims who were physically injured as a result of 1 October and sought prompt medical treatment. All amounts paid to eligible claimants are a charitable gift intended to assist those most impacted by the events of 1 October. Amounts paid are not in any way reimbursement or compensation for an economic loss. Final determination of all matters related to the Fund, including, but not limited to the criteria for eligibility for payment, and distribution of payments have been made based on recommendations made by the LVVF Board of Director’s Committee (“LVVF Committee”) and adopted by the LVVF Board of Directors (“LVVF Board”). Once made, all determinations by the LVVF Board are final.
This Final Protocol has been approved by the LVVF Board of Directors and includes feedback received from victims, the community and the general public. Two Town Hall meetings were held on November 28, 2017, at the Clark County Government Center to listen to survivors, answer questions and discuss the terms and conditions of the Draft Protocol. The public meetings were broadcast live on Clark County Television and via the internet to maximize participation of all victims and victims’ families. This Final Protocol incorporates feedback, suggestions and comments from the Town Hall meetings and from the comments submitted by mail and email.

All payments from the Fund will be prioritized and apportioned among the families of the decedents and the victims who were physically-injured as a result of the events of 1 October meeting the below criteria. Each decedent or victim for whom a claim is submitted, must be validated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a victim of the October 1 attack in order to be deemed eligible for payment from the Fund. No funds shall be disbursed to any individual listed on the U.S. Department of Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list (“SDN List”).

Determination of the amount to be paid to a claimant in each of the categories described below depends upon the following: 1) the balance in the Fund at the time of anticipated distribution; 2) completion of the review of all submitted claims by the Fund Administrators; and 3) review and approval of the proposed distribution by the LVVF Committee and the LVVF Board. Should sufficient additional funds be received by the LVVF after the initial distribution, a supplemental distribution may be made to eligible claimants.

The Distribution classifications are outlined below:

I. **PRIORITIZATION OF ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS**

   A. **Individual Death Claims and Individual Claims for victims who sustained permanent brain damage and/or permanent paralysis requiring continuous home medical assistance (as demonstrated by documentation satisfactory to the Fund Administrators).**

   Eligible claimants in this category will receive the highest level of payment under the scope of this Final Protocol.

   B. **Individual Physical Injury Claims for Victims Requiring Hospitalization.**

   Eligible claimants who were physically injured and admitted to a hospital on or before October 10, 2017, and were hospitalized for one or more nights between October 1, 2017, and December 15, 2017, as a
result of the 1 October shootings, will receive payment under this Final Protocol. Specific documentation and proof requirements will be set forth in the Claim Form discussed below.

C. Individual Physical Injury Claims of Victims Treated at Hospitals or Treated by a Private Physician on an Emergency or Out-Patient Basis.

Eligible claimants who were physically injured as a result of the October 1, 2017 shootings who were treated on an emergency or out-patient basis (on or before October 10, 2017), will receive payment under this Final Protocol. Specific documentation required to demonstrate physical injury and treatment will be set forth in the Claim Form and the extent of injury and treatment will be determined by the Fund Administrators.

II. PROCESS AND PROCEDURES

Eligible claimants must file either a claim for Deceased Victims or a claim for Physical Injury (each, a “Claim”) in order to be eligible to participate and receive a payment from the Fund. A single Claim Form should be submitted for each eligible claimant.

The process and procedures for consideration of eligible claims will be as follows:

A. A link to submit an online claim form (“Claim Form”) will be made available to all known claimants who have provided the necessary information to the LVVF or the National Center for Victims of Crime (“NCVC”) by US mail and/or email. This Final Protocol and information concerning the Claim process will also be available on the Lasvegasvictimsfund.org and the nationalcompassionfund.org websites after December 15, 2017. Representatives from the NVCV, Angeion Group and Hogan Lovells US LLP (collectively, the “Fund Administrators”) will administer and process the claims. Only one claim should be submitted by or on behalf of each victim. The Claim Form must be completed and submitted to the Fund Administrators (along with all required supporting documentation detailed on the Claim Form) no later than January 31, 2018. Questions regarding the completion of a Claim Form can be sent via email to claimantservices@ncvc.org or made by telephone to 855-4VICTIM (855-484-2846).

B. Access to the Online Claims System can be found through links on the lasvegasvictimsfund.org website or at www.nationalcompassionfund.org. Claimants who lack access to a computer or the Internet are invited to call the toll-free claimant assistance number at 855-4VICTIM (855-484-2846) for guidance on alternative filing assistance.

C. In the event a claimant submits an incomplete or deficient claim (e.g., the claimant failed to include required documentation or failed to fully complete the Claim Form), a representative from the Fund Administrators’ office may work with the claimant in an effort to cure any such deficiencies.

D. Payments will be issued shortly after the deadline for submission of all eligible Claims and the final review and determination of all eligible Claims by the Fund Administrators. The Fund Administrators will submit final payment determinations to the LVVF Committee for recommendation and submission to the LVVF Board for approval of transmission of the payments, by check or electronic bank wire, to each eligible claimant. (Payments made by check will be sent to claimants via courier service.) In the event sufficient contributions are received after the final payment determinations, a supplemental distribution may be made to eligible claimants.
E. A Claim Form filed for a deceased victim will require the spouse or legal partner’s signature if the deceased individual was married at the time of death, and shall also include information pertaining to individuals (e.g., spouse, children, parents, siblings) who may be eligible to receive compensation under the local probate law of the deceased victim’s domicile. In cases where the victim was not married, the personal representative legally authorized to administer the estate must sign the Claim Form. If the deceased did not leave a will, the personal representative must prepare a proposed plan of distribution of the funds among the decedent’s legal heirs and beneficiaries. The proposed plan will be distributed to all such legal heirs and beneficiaries, each of whom must consent to the proposed distribution. If agreement among the heirs and beneficiaries cannot be reached as to who will serve as the personal representative, or with regard to the proposed distribution, the claimant(s) will be required to obtain legal authorization from the Probate Court having jurisdiction to determine who is the legally-responsible person eligible to file the Claim. Under those circumstances, the Fund Administrators may recommend that the LVVF deposit the affected funds with the Probate Court having jurisdiction, to be held in a separate account and to be distributed only upon resolution in accordance with a valid court order.

F. For Claims for a minor child, the Claim Form will require the signature of both parents unless sole custody or legal guardianship of the minor child can be satisfactorily demonstrated in writing by a single parent or legal guardian. For Claims for incompetent adults, the Claim Form will require proof of representative capacity, such as a power of attorney, guardianship, appointment of guardian or attorney ad litem.

G. A Claim filed for a physical injury claimant must include an authorization pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 allowing the medical provider to disclose information from the claimant’s hospital and/or medical provider which confirms: i) date of admission or treatment, ii) date of discharge, and iii) the nature of the injury, the treatment provided and that the injury was sustained as a result of 1 October. Subject to the approval of the LVVF Committee, the Fund Administrators will determine whether the nature and extent of an injury qualifies a non-hospitalized claimant for payment under this Final Protocol.

H. The LVVF cannot provide tax advice to those receiving payments from the Fund. The Fund Administrators recommend you consult a tax advisor for any questions regarding tax liability for these payments.

I. The LVVF cannot provide advice to those receiving payment from the Fund who are receiving some form of public assistance such as Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Nevada Victims of Crime or other similar programs. The Fund Administrators recommend you consult an attorney for any questions regarding the possible loss of benefits resulting from the receipt of a payment from the Fund.

J. A full audit of the LVVF will be conducted by an independent accounting firm as soon as possible after completion of the payment process. The results of this audit will be made available to all claimants, donors and the general public along with a final report from the Fund Administrators.

III. OUTREACH
A. This Final Protocol and information concerning the Claim process will be electronically disseminated to all known and registered victims and made available on the lasvegasvictimsfund.org and the nationalcompassionfund.org websites beginning on December 15, 2017. Email requests for copies of the final documents may be made to the lasvegasvictimsfund.org or nationalcompassionfund.org websites. **The deadline for submission of the Claim Form is January 31, 2018.** The Fund Administrators will work directly with claimants, as requested, to assist claimants in submitting all Claims prior to the January 31, 2018 deadline.

B. Following the submission of a Claim Form, a claimant may request a telephonic meeting with the Fund Administrators during the period between February 1 and February 26, 2018. Meetings will be scheduled at mutually convenient times. To request a telephonic meeting, claimants must submit a request via email to claimantservices@ncvc.org or by telephone at 855-4VICTIM (855-484-2846).

### IV. ESTIMATED TIMELINE

- **November 16, 2017:** Draft Protocol distributed to the public.
- **November 28, 2017:** Conduct two Town Hall meetings, one at 10:30 a.m. and one at 6:00 p.m., at the Clark County Government Center Commission Chambers, 500 South Grand Central Parkway Las Vegas, Nevada, 89106. Each meeting will last approximately 90 minutes. The public meetings will be broadcast live on Clark County Television and via the internet to maximize participation of all victims and victims’ families.
- **December 11, 2017, 10:00 a.m.:** Deadline for all comments on the Draft Protocol.
- **December 15, 2017:** The LVVF Committee and Board of Directors to adopt the Final Protocol.
- **December 15, 2017:** The Final Protocol will be electronically disseminated to all known claimants as identified by hospitals, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, the FBI or other local authorities, and potential claimants who registered through the lasvegasvictimsfund.org, the nationalcompassionfund.org, or other approved websites. These documents will also be available on the LVVF and National Compassion Fund websites.
- **January 2, 2018 - January 31, 2018:** Claim Forms completed and submitted to the Fund Administrators along with the required documentation.
- **January 31, 2018:** Deadline for submission of all Claim Forms.
- **February 1 – February 26, 2018:** All telephonic meetings requested with the Fund Administrators completed.
- **March 1, 2018:** All claims to be reviewed by the Fund Administrators and recommendations for payments to eligible claimants submitted to the LVVF Committee.
- **March 5, 2018:** Distribution of payments to approved eligible claimants begins on a rolling basis.
- **April 30, 2018:** Independent Audit begins (contingent upon the completion of payments and the absence of a second round of determinations and payments).