



# MESSAGE FROM THE CEO Patrick G. Barclay, LL.M.



Dear shareholders:

I hope you are staying positive and remaining safe! Bambu Fund is among the first firms in the Latin American Caribbean (LAC) region authorized to issue a digital security or what in the securities industry is known as a security token in an initial public offering (IPO) on the Jamaica Stock Exchange (JSE). Bloomberg Businessweek named the JSE as the top-performing exchange worldwide in 2015 and 2018. Bloomberg attributes the JSE's index surge to foreign acquisitions and stronger investor safeguards.

The JSE's online trading platform allowing the Jamaican diaspora and small retail investors to invest in companies in their home country is an innovative way the JSE positions itself to remain among the top performing stock exchanges globally.

A memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Canadian Securities Exchange seeking to facilitate cross-listing and outreach to a larger investor base makes the JSE the perfect option for firms like Bambu to have a presence. Jamaica has developed one of the world's first regulatory frameworks for digital assets such as Bitcoin, Ether and tokenized IPOs. This backdrop of being able to issue a traditional IPO and tokenizing our publicly traded shares increases accessibility to international retail investors, effectively growing our investor pool. We intend to follow the success of BRED, the first company to complete this process.

We are excited about developing Bambu Coliving®. It is a community living concept for individuals age 55+ with interests to live, work and play together; its first iteration is specific to the Caribbean. Major demographic trends are driving demand in this investment sector. As such, investment returns in these sectors are robust compared with other investment segments in the region. Furthermore, the senior housing sector does not correlate strongly with any particular economic





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environment, nor does it depend heavily on a rising real estate market. These factors are key reasons why senior housing has consistently outperformed all other commercial real estate asset classes over the last 10 years, driven by a major demographic trend of a rapidly aging baby boomer population. These demographic trends fuel a continuing demand for senior housing regardless of the condition of the overall economy. The astute investor can capitalize on these trends and enjoy downside resiliency for the next several decades.

We are excited as we move the process forward. Victoria Mutual Wealth Management Limited (VM Wealth) has been selected as our investment advisor. At present, they are the only firm approved by the Financial Services Commission to transact digital securities on the JSE. Patterson Mair Hamilton will serve as investment counsel. The first round of financing, including the debt facility, is \$US35 million. We anticipate VM Wealth will put US\$15 million of firm capital in play and provide an opportunity for others to participate. In 2022, we will go back to the market with the goal of completing US\$300 million in capital raising activities by December 2023. We want to be oversubscribed when we go to market and want to have waiting lists for tenancy in our facilities.

To highlight our foundational start with the JSE, Bambu has agreed to be one of the Jamaica Stock Exchange's 17th Regional Investments & Capital Markets Conference sponsors. The JSE's global event bringing together world-class leaders and industry experts will occur January 25-27, 2022. Jamaica has a saying, "Wi likkle but wi Tallawah," meaning we are small, but we are impactful. Bambu today is small, but we plan on making our presence known in a big way.

PATRICK G. BARCLAY CEO and Founder















### **BAMBU / OVERVIEW**

The Bambu Fund is a frontier investment established to play an active role in the development of climate-resilient facilities for health, wellness, senior coliving and assisted living in the Latin American Caribbean (LAC) region. Utilizing an innovative layered capital structure, Bambu Fund blends private equity and growth debt. The Bambu Fund adheres to Anti Money Laundering (AML) compliance protocols. Bambu Fund LLC created a wholly owned public subsidiary Bambu Wellness Ltd. and is preparing to list on the Jamaica Stock Exchange (JSE).

The Bambu team consists of knowledgeable individuals dedicated to stimulating economic growth and development in the LAC region. Our seasoned investment professionals have proven records of being responsible stewards of resources entrusted for investment. Leveraging relationships developed throughout decades of service in their areas of expertise enables Bambu Fund's leadership to utilize strategic partnerships.

The Bambu Fund is committed to creating employment opportunities that provide living wages and has selected projects that will exemplify best practices in long-term, health-related investments.

#### **BAMBU / BENEFIT**

The Latin American Caribbean region (LAC) is strategically situated within highly desired multi-national tourism markets and several stable democratic governments. The area is a perfect location to invest and identify partnership and joint venture opportunities. In LAC Frontier Markets, we seek to establish world-class health and wellness businesses and reposition others to grow to scale, broaden their scope and enable them to add new channels for existing products and services.

## **KEY INVESTMENT FACTS**





