

MEMORANDUM

To: Pennsylvania State Employees' Retirement System ("SERS") Board Members
From: StepStone Group ("StepStone")
Date: February 7, 2023
Re: Investment in PSG VI, L.P.

Recommendation

StepStone recommends that the State Employees' Retirement System Investment Committee approve commitments of up to US\$75 million to PSG VI, L.P. (the "Fund") at the February 21st, 2023, PA SERS Investment Committee meeting. This recommendation is made solely within the context of Pennsylvania SERS' investment guidelines and is given solely for the benefit of Pennsylvania SERS.

Key investment highlights supporting the opportunity are as follows:

- Experienced, Tenured, and Cohesive Team
- Robust Investment Sourcing Capabilities
- Strong Track Record Across Market Cycles with Low Losses

Overview

Providence Strategic Growth is a private equity firm with offices in Boston, Kansas City, London, Paris, Madrid, and Tel Aviv.

StepStone Due Diligence

StepStone's due diligence on the Fund was led by Brian Borton, Greg Wallem, John Weng, and Armaan Shah, supported by StepStone's broader private equity team. The Fund was reviewed and approved by StepStone's Investment Committee considering the context of Pennsylvania SERS' private equity investment objectives. Key diligence items included:

- Consideration of portfolio fit within the Pennsylvania SERS Private Equity – Growth Equity portfolio, including a review of other available opportunities
- Meetings with the Firm's senior investment professionals
- A review of the Firm's strategy and track record, including a review of drivers of historical returns
- Detailed operational due diligence

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