Date: October 9, 2017

To: The Center for Data Science Community

From: President Andrew Hamilton and Provost Katherine E. Fleming

Re: Formation of a Search Committee for a New Director of the Center for Data Science

We are writing to advise you of the membership of the Search Committee that has been formed to identify and recommend candidates for the Directorship of the Center for Data Science.

We would like to thank Russel Caflisch, Director of the Courant Institute and Professor of Mathematics, for agreeing to chair this committee. We are grateful to Russ and the other members of the Committee for agreeing to undertake this time-consuming and important work, even as they continue their classes, research, and other activities. We are confident they will identify and recommend outstanding candidates for Director of CDS.

We have asked the Committee to seek candidates of great achievement who are respected scholars in their fields, with strong records of academic leadership and demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion. The new director will lead the Center as it builds on its reputation as one of the nation’s top data science programs, and sets ambitious goals for the coming years.

Many of you have wide-ranging networks in your fields and might therefore suggest qualified candidates for CDS Director. We welcome your input, as well as any questions you may have regarding the search process. Nominations, questions, and other recommendations can be forwarded to Russ Caflisch and to the search committee at CDS.directorsearch@nyu.edu. We and the Committee look forward to hearing from you, and thank you in advance for your participation in this important process.

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