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Another Dearborn Partners Core Rising Dividend SMA Portfolio Increase: Apple Inc.

On April 28, 2022, Apple Inc. (AAPL) announced a 4.5% increase in its quarterly dividend per share to \$0.23 (\$0.92 annually) from \$0.22 (\$0.88 annually). The cash dividend will be paid on May 12, 2022 to holders of record as of May 9, 2022. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive annual increase in the dividend paid by Apple Inc.

"We are very pleased with our record business results for the March quarter, as we set an all-time revenue record for Services and March quarter revenue records for iPhone, Mac, and Wearables, Home and Accessories. Continued strong customer demand for our products helped us achieve an all-time high for our installed base of active devices," said Luca Maestri, Apple's CFO. "Our strong operating performance generated over \$28 billion in operating cash flow, and allowed us to return nearly \$27 billion to our shareholders during the quarter."

Apple revolutionized personal technology with the introduction of the Macintosh in 1984. Today, Apple leads the world in innovation with iPhone, iPad, Mac, Apple Watch, and Apple TV. Apple's five software platforms — iOS, iPadOS, macOS, watchOS, and tvOS — provide seamless experiences across all Apple devices and empower people with breakthrough services including the App Store, Apple Music, Apple Pay, and iCloud. Apple's more than 100,000 employees are dedicated to making the best products on earth, and to leaving the world better than we found it.

Apple Inc. is in the Information Technology sector of our Dearborn Partners Core Rising Dividend separately managed account (SMA) portfolio. So far this year, 23 of 49 companies in our Core Rising Dividend portfolio have announced 23 dividend increases averaging about 13.4% more than these companies paid a year earlier. No companies in this portfolio have reduced or suspended dividends so far this year.

Thank you for your continued interest in our Dearborn Partners Rising Dividend Strategy.

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