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HOST: Hello, everyone. Thank you for joining us. We are getting started here. If you could just mute yourself and turn off your video, we are getting our interpreters let into the room. Hi, everyone, this is Teri Urban. If you could give us a few minutes, we're letting everyone in from the waiting room before we go ahead and get started. Hello, everyone. Thank you for joining us. This is Teri Urban. If you could go ahead and turn your video off and put yourselves on mute, we're getting the meeting set up here to get started. Hello, everyone. This is Teri Urban with Virginia Hands & Voices. Give us a few minutes here, we're getting started. Perfect. So we have our two interpreters in a room together. Thank you for joining us, everyone. We are just getting our meeting ready to go here, if you could give us just a few more minutes while we let everyone in the waiting room. Let me confirm our captioning is up and running. All right. Thank you, everyone, for joining us today. We're going to wait a few more minutes before we get started. Okay. I will go ahead and get started. It is 4:04. Let me just make sure we've got our interpreter up. Just one moment here. All right. So, the interpreters -- I'm getting a message from them wondering if we can pin Tawny. Can we pin her, or can we spotlight her and I so you can see the three of us at the same time? You know what, we can pin her once she does start presenting, yes. I don't see a problem with that, as long as we can see the interpreters as well. Okay. I'm going to go ahead and get started. Sorry, everyone. We just want to make sure our technical aspect is working here over the Zoom platform, which I'm sure we're all very, very familiar

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