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US Job Growth Above Market Expectations in February 2022

The United States (US) Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported a strong increase of 678,000 non-farm payroll jobs for February 2022 which was above January's 481,000 job growth and above market expectations for 444,000 jobs to be added. The top sectors contributing to February gains were leisure and hospitality, professional and business services, health care, and construction. Employment showed little or no change over the month for information and government industries. The unemployment rate for February recorded a decline moving from 4.0% in the prior month to 3.8%. This was slightly higher than the prepandemic rate of 3.5% but marginally lower than market expectations for an unemployment rate of 3.9%.

In light of the easing of COVID-19 cases in the US, we anticipate that things could continue to improve on the Jobs front in the United States. However, given the spike in geopolitical tension between Russia and Ukraine, the pace of growth could be constrained due to its potential to keep the inflationary pressures elevated for a longer period. The excessively high inflation could weigh on business activity over the short-term resulting in a drag on the US economy. At the upcoming meeting of the Federal reserve to be held March 15-16, 2022 it is highly anticipated that the US Federal Reserve will commence its rate hiking cycle, which may continue during the year if inflation remains elevated.

Currency Markets									
International Currency Market									
Currency	4-Mar	25-Feb	DoD % ∆	WoW % ∆	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ			
EUR: USD	1.093	1.127	-1.25%	-3.02%	-3.89%	-8.70%			
GBP: USD	1.324	1.340	-0.80%	-1.25%	-2.15%	-4.71%			
USD: CAD	1.273	1.270	0.40%	0.15%	0.75%	0.51%			
USD: JPY	114.850	115.550	-0.53%	-0.61%	-0.20%	6.36%			

Local Foreign Currency Market							
Currency	4-Mar	3-Mar	25-Feb	DoD % Δ	WoW % Δ	YTD% Δ	
USD:JMD	154.97	155.34	155.87	-0.24%	-0.58%	-0.08%	
GBP:JMD	207.48	206.19	211.99	0.62%	-2.13%	-1.3%	
CAD:JMD	121.05	123.14	122.48	-1.70%	-1.16%	-1.4%	

Global Interest Rates

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Rates	4-Mar	25-Feb	DoD ∆ bps	WoW ∆ bps	YTD Δ bps	YoY ∆ bps		
10 Year US Treasury Bond	1.75%	1.96%	-9.00	-21.00	24.00	19.00		
10 Year UK Gilt	1.21%	1.46%	-9.00	-25.00	24.00	48.00		
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	5.04%	4.85%	8.00	19.00	159.00	151.00		
5 Year US Treas- ury Bond	1.66%	1.87%	-7.00	-21.00	40.00	87.00		
5 Year UK Gilt	0.98%	1.25%	-8.00	-27.00	16.00	64.00		

Week in Review: Feb 28 - Mar 4, 2022								
	Local Equity Market							
	BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS							
ADVA	ADVANCERS DECLINERS							
FESCO	57.77%	CABROKERS	-28.88%					
MEEG	41.78%	PTL	-15.66%					
SSLVC	35.34%	MIL	-14.16%	•				

JSE Main Market activity (excluding preference shares) resulted from trading in 48 stocks of which 17 advanced, 30 declined and 1 traded firm. Market volume (excluding preference shares) amounted to 126,513,024 units valued at over \$1,905,384,502. JSE Junior Market activity (excluding preference shares) resulted from trading in 42 stocks of which 20 advanced, 20 declined and 2 traded firm. Market volume (excluding preference shares) amounted to 94,331,873 units valued at over \$489,000,469.

Global Equity Indices							
Index	31-Dec	25-Feb	4-Mar	WoW % Δ	ΥΤΟ % Δ	ΥοΥ % Δ	
S&P 500	4,766.18	4,384.65	4,328.87	-1.27%	-9.18%	14.87%	
Euro Stoxx 50	4,298.41	3,970.69	3,556.01	-10.44%	-17.27%	-4.02%	
MXWD Index	754.83	698.53	679.51	-2.72%	-9.98%	4.00%	
JSE Main Market Index	396,155.61	391,193.26	387,382.91	-0.97%	-2.21%	-2.38%	
JSE Junior Market Index	3,428.30	3,963.43	4,168.16	5.17%	21.58%	45.10%	
ISE Combined Index	401.130.23	401.437.50	399.669.71	-0.44%	-0.36%	0.93%	

	Upcoming Week: Mar 7	' - Mar I	1, 2022	
Country	Report	Period	Forecast	Prior
US	Initial Jobless Claims	5-Mar	220,000	215,000
US	CPI MoM	Feb	0.80%	0.60%
US	U. of Mich. Sentiment	Mar P	61.00	62.80
UK	Industrial Production MoM	Jan	0.20%	0.30%
UK	Manufacturing Production MoM	Jan	0.20%	0.20%
JN	GDP \$A QoQ	4Q F	1.40%	1.30%
JN	GDP Annualized SA QoQ	4Q F	5.70%	5.40%
JN	PPI YoY	Feb	8.60%	8.60%

LOCAL STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS INDUSTRY **PRICE COMPANY NAME STATISTICS COMPANY VITALS RATIONALE** J\$ MOVEMENTS VITALS March 4, 2022 Guardian is one of the region's leading financial institutions with a long history of Current Price \$535.03 **FPS** \$76.72 **ROE 15.77% ROE 13.79%** delivering strong revenue growth and profitability. The company operates in most of \$1,134.90 RVPS \$486.53 the countries in the Caribbean and is rated among the top five in the major markets 52 Week High Guardian Holdings in which it operates. Like most companies regionally, the Guardian Group was 53 Week Low \$500.01 T12M Div. \$4.04 P/E 6.97 P/E 13.37 severely challenged in 2020. However, in 2020, the Group delivered operational and WoW % Ltd. (GHL) -2.89% Div. Yield % 0.69% financial results which were creditable along several metrics and especially when YTD % 3.15% P/B 1.10 P/B 1.75 taken in the context of the pandemic. While we are very aware that the COVID-19 0.80 pandemic is not over, it is very likely that the worst is behind us. With vaccination 0.70 programme being rolled out regionally and as respective governments continue to 0.60 0.50 ease out of the pandemic the companies within the region continue to gradually BUY 0.40 recover from the crisis. This recovery is also evident for Guardian Group which 0.30 posted revenues and profits in QI 2021 which are significantly above its previous 0.20 year's. 0.00 **ROE 7.78% ROE 16.84% EPS** \$0.10 Current Price \$2.97 Derrimon is vertically integrated whereby it manufactures and distributes through 52 Week High \$3.17 **BVPS** \$1.27 its own channels such as Sampars and its Select grocers retail outlets. Over the last Derrimon Trading five years the company has gone through a tremendous transformation driven by its 53 Week Low \$2.00 T12M Div. \$0.00 P/E 30.04 P/E 23.08 organic growth in its primary distribution segment and through acquisitions. Co Ltd (DTL) WoW % 22.22% Div Vield % 0.00% Consequently, it has delivered expansion which has seen its revenue more than YTD % 28 96% P/B 2.34 P/B 3.65 double in five years and profits more than tripled. Although the coronavirus 25.00 pandemic has slowed business activity in Jamaica generally, and has slowed Derrimon's revenue growth by approximately 1.0% up to September 2020, DTL has 2.5 remained very profitable. Over the period, the Group delivered profit growth of BUY 15.00 27.0% which is a signal of its strength and resiliency given the context of the COVID-1.5 10.00 19 pandemic. With the onset of COVID-19, restaurants, supermarkets, bakeries and corner shops in communities have been forced to operate within restricted parameters or have **Current Price EPS** \$2.94 **ROE 11.69% ROE 14.71%** \$56.07 completely shuttered. Although the COVID-19 pandemic has had a negative impact on Seprod's operations, the Group's diversified portfolio has proven to be resilient 52 Week High \$85.00 **BVPS** \$25.15 thus far. Looking ahead, there are still risks that could negatively impact global P/E 19.07 P/E 27.40 53 Week Low \$53.79 T12M Div. \$1.30 supply chains and ultimately affect raw material prices, consumer income and Seprod Ltd (SEP) WoW% -5.99% Div. Yield % 1.86% economic growth. Notwithstanding, given our estimate that the worst part of the YTD % -13.42% P/B 2.23 P/B 3.50 covid-19 restrictions may be behind us, we are expecting that the companies good performance could likely continue into at least the short term. Over the last five 90 0.45 years, the group has invested significantly in strengthening its operations and its 0.40 0.35 resiliency. The investments include consolidating aspects of its business where costs 0.30 were being duplicated, which is a move to position itself for continued resilience and 50 0.70 competitiveness in face of the uncertainty which lies ahead. Over the medium-term, 0.15 the group has further investments plans to improve its distribution, warehousing and 0.10 logistics efforts that are expected to augment the Groups' profitability over time. 0.05 **ROE 11.18%** Current Price \$22.04 **FPS** \$3.40 **ROF 33 79%** Undoubtedly, COVID-19 has had a negative impact on aspects of the business and is RVPS 52 Week High \$31.00 \$30.45 likely to continue to weigh on those segments for the remainder of this year, even as Jamaica Producers \$19.70 T12M Div. P/E 6.47 P/E 11.02 53 Week Low \$0.00 the company adjusts its operations to deal with the pandemic. Some segments have Group (JP) -3.42% WoW % Div. Yield % 0.00% remained strong however, the pandemic has created opportunities for new retail -0.32% P/B 0.72 P/B 4.18 YTD % channels to offset the downturn seen in some segments. Importantly, JP is further seeking to strengthen its business over the medium term to improve its capacity, to 0.90 drive long term growth at the same time it continues to invest in strong food and 0.80 logistics businesses. Despite COVID-19, JP remains strong with several key financial 0.70 metrics, including its large and growing cash and securities balance, providing the 0.50 group with the flexibility to manage and execute on strategies of acquiring 0.40 undervalued assets. 0.30 0.20 0.10

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LOCAL STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS INDUSTRY **PRICE** COMPANY VITALS **COMPANY NAME STATISTICS RATIONALE** Jŝ **MOVEMENTS VITALS** March 4, 2022 Wisynco's customers typically include restaurants, supermarkets retail and **ROE 21.27% ROE 14.71%** EPS \$0.97 Current Price \$18.78 whole¬sale outlets, schools and other food service outlets. As a result of the social \$21.00 BVPS \$4.58 52 Week High distancing orders being enforced by the Government to curb the spread of the virus, Wisynco Ltd 53 Week Low \$14.02 T12M Div. \$0.40 P/E 19.28 P/E 27.40 the operations of the Company's customers base have been severely disrupted. We (WISYNCO) WoW % -3.69% Div. Yield % 2,48% adknowledged, however, that the Company's strong brand presence in the food manufacturing and distribution sector, strong balance sheet and distribution network YTD % 12.49% P/B 4 10 P/B 3.50 will go a far way to ensure that Wisynco remain resilient over the long-term. We 25 believe that the Management's experience in distribution and the Company's 20 investment in Innovation will be huge drivers of equity return over time. Notwithstanding, over the short to medium term (up to three years) Wisynco's BUY profitability will be challenged as over 95% of the Company's revenues are generated 1.50 10 locally and local consumer demand has declined and likely to remain subdued over the short to medium term. In our scenario, the Company is projected to return to pre-COVID state in the FY 2024/FY 2025. In the most recently concluded 9-month period, up to June 30, 2021, Barita **ROE 11.14% ROE 13.79%** Current Price \$89.95 EPS \$3.37 continued to deliver recordbreaking growth and profitability for its shareholders. 52 Week High \$109.50 \$30.23 Undoubtedly, the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted financial markets locally and Barita Investments globally and is likely to pose significant challenges for businesses going forward. So 53 Week Low \$77.00 T12M Div. \$3.03 P/E 26.72 P/E 13.37 far, however, BIL has responded well to the pandemic from a social and operational Ltd (BIL) WoW % 0.56% Div. Yield % 3.72% perspective. Over the period, the Group posted net profits, which was 83% above YTD % -8.33% P/B 2.98 P/B 1.75 the amount generated over a similar period in the previous year and already ~22% 120 above the amount generated in the entire 12 months in FY 2020. Following its succesful APO in September 2020, BIL bolstered its investment banking underwriting capabilities, upgraded its technology - including the implementation of its BOSS BUY platform, seeded alternative investment strategies, widened its footprint and 0.50 0.40 0.30 0.20 expanded its trading operations. So far, the early indications are that the company has seen further operational improvement and is experiencing accelerated revenue and profit growth. Going forward, we expect the GK's strong resiliency to continue despite COVID-19, even as the company make significant changes to ensure its products and Current Price \$101.25 **EPS** \$8.98 **ROE 12.59% ROE 33.79%** services are delivered to its customers across the various channels. These 52 Week High \$105.99 BVPS \$71.36 include ensuring its international supply chains remain strong, active, and Grace Kennedy Ltd P/E 11.27 53 Week Low \$80.00 T12M Div. \$1.93 P/F 11.02 efficient. Its recent agreement with Nestle is one such initiative that GK has (GK) WoW % -2.18% Div. Yield % 2.14% implemented to improve its distribution as the Group moves closer to YTD % 1.23% P/B 1.42 P/B 4.18 achieving its goal of creating a wider wingspan in the global arena. We believe that GK is poised for further sustainable growth given its well diversified 12.00 businesses across its two segments which will likely be boosted by inorganic 10.00 growth from acquisitions, GraceKennedy Limited has initiated its multi-year transformational strategy in which it seeks to achieve (i) sustainable efficiency, 8.00 (ii) greater agility and (iii) revenue growth. To achieve these goals, the Group 6.0 6.00 BUY has made changes to its organisational and cost structure as well as its business 40 4.00 processes which have so far resulted in an upswing in its margins and 2.00 profitability, and which augurs well for the Group's future. With growth in all segments, the Group outperformed its prior year results, posting arguably its strongest financial results since inception. GK is well positioned financially and has displayed the ability to continue growing despite the economic downturn caused by the effects of COVID-19. Sygnus Real Estate Finance Limited is a speciality real estate investment **ROE 24.81%** company, dedicated to providing flexible financing to unlock value in real estate Current Price \$16.98 EPS \$9.00 **ROF 13.13%** Sygnus Real Estate assets across the Caribbean region. SRF is an alternative investment firm that is 52 Week High \$22,20 **BVPS** \$36.27 solely dedicated to the real estate asset class, by providing customized financing Finance Limited 53 Week Low P/E 1.89 P/E 6.23 \$14.05 T12M Div. \$0.00 solutions in various forms across the credit and equity spectrum. Through the (SRFJMD) WoW % -0.12% Div. Yield % 0.00% application of flexible financing, and with careful screening, managing and YTD % 3.16% P/B 0.47 P/B 0.63 assessment of its highly experienced Real Estate Investment Advisory Committee, SRF will seek to earn attractive risk-adjusted returns with 0.030 downside protection. We believe that Sygnus Real Estate Finance's offer is a 0.025 good investment opportunity given the business model of active management, 15 track record of the Investment Manager, robust governance structure and the BUY pipeline of opportunities on the table. Given the present economic 10 environment and market dynamics characterised by low-interest rates and high liquidity, we anticipate that real estate could continue to perform well as a leading growth sector. Additionally, the low-interest rate may enable the use of financial leverage to enhance returns which could further enhance the value

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JN MUTUAL FUNDS

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JN Mutual Funds		NAV Pri	ce	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)	
Global Diversified Income		e J\$14.079	90	0.94%	-0.49%	1.24%	
Global I	Equity	J\$15.337	77	0.60%	-2.37%	0.00%	
Global I	Fixed Income	J\$13.305	53	3.58%	0.28%	3.96%	
Global Money Market (US\$)		S\$) US\$11.01	87	3.25%	0.28%	2.58%	
Global I	Fixed Income (US	\$) US\$11.29	907	3.12%	-0.45%	2.30%	
Local Money Market		J\$11.650)2	4.23%	0.57%	4.39%	
	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	Glo	bal Fixed Income Funds	Global Diversified Income Fund	Global Equity Fund	
Objective	To preserve capital whilst providing US dollar (US\$) money market returns	To preserve capital whilst providing Jamaican Dollar (J\$) money market returns	retui incoi throi (i) A	chieve an attractive total rn through capital injection and me growth. This is offered ugh two separate Funds: Jamaican dollar (J\$) and A US dollar (U\$\$) fund.	To provide long-term investment growth through exposure to a diversified range of asset classes.	To provide long-term capital growth and risk diversification.	
Strategy	To invest in local and global money market instruments for safety, liquidity and yield.	To invest in local and global money market instruments for safety and liquidity and yield	debt	nvest in regional, sovereign securities, local and rnational corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stock: REITs and structured produ		

With a suite of six investment portfolios, each with a distinct financial profile, JN Mutual Funds offers a premium opportunity for investors to align their personal financial strategy with their goals, time horizons and risk profile.

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