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Wole, it's so great to be here with you today.

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I'm so thrilled about the joint partnership that we're announcing

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and I'm so thrilled about you and all of your success with MoCaFi.

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As you know, I've been following your journey very closely.

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We've worked together for a number of years,

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but since you started it in 2015, tell us the inspiration.

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Well it's terrific to see you. Thank you, Jennifer.

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So MoCaFi came about after the murder of Michael Brown for me.

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and I thought, you know, I've had great
experience in financial services.

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We need to come up with
economic justice agenda.

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How can I be a part of that?

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So that inspired me
to start MoCaFi.

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And with that, I'm trying to figure out
how can we bring financial services

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to underserved communities
all across the country.

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why is this partnership with MoCaFi
so important to BNY Mellon?

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It's really important to us
for a number of reasons.

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First is the social and community impact
that you are making as a company

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and we can make jointly together

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The second is, it's a big industry
problem statement, and many of our clients

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come to us and say, hey, I have a large
underbanked employee population

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or I need to get money
in the hands of people faster

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in the event of a natural disaster
or other aid.

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And so this is a real problem

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statement that we can help our corporate
as well as our government clients

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with to get money in the hands of people
safer, faster and much more economically.

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One of the things that I'm
so excited about is how a company

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that's over 200 years old

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is partnering with a company
that's only, let's see,

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2016 is when we raised our first nickel,
seven years old.

-Wow.

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And it just shows
that you have to have new partnerships
-You do.

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and new relationships to solve problems
that haven't been solved at this point.

-Absolutely.

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And we're just so thrilled
that you've created the Vaia product.

-Yes.

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Which is how we're going to really move
this forward.

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Talk a little bit about that.

- Yeah.

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So you mentioned, you know,
we are America's oldest bank,

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but innovation has always been a value

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So you integrate with BNY Mellon once,
which is a much easier,

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you know, technical solution
for our clients.

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And then we add
in multiple different rails

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and ultimately provides
more consumer choice,

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which is really what we want to be able to
do, not only for the consumer population

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at large, but also for our clients,

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who then really use payments
as a competitive advantage.

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What really attracted me
to Bank of New York Mellon

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is the fact that you are a trusted
bank in the federal government.

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And if you think about the millions
of people in this country who have access

00;02;23;09 - 00;02;28;12

to almost a trillion dollars of resource,
but it's not getting to them.

-Right.

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And when I was thinking about how we need
to build our business strategically,

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when the opportunity came up to have
the first conversation with your

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CEO Robin Vince, I jumped at the chance
and would never have known that

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a year and a half later, we would sitting
here, getting ready to ring the bell

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and have a wonderful path forward
in terms of the wonderful things

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we can do together.

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It's great to be able to combine
the different skills of our company

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and solve an industry problem statement
that's been out there for a while as well as

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a big social

and community problem statement as well.

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So I'm looking forward to the next year

and beyond and celebrating

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all of our success together,

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as well as celebrating the success

of all the individuals that we've helped.

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Absolutely. we're going to have

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a lot of great stories to tell,

and we couldn't be with a better partner.

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So thanks so much.

-Likewise.

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And thanks so much to all of your friends

at BNY Mellon.

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Absolutely.

-Let's Cheers to That!