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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* 2. Date of Ever Koziel Margaret Requiring State (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2021 | | Statement y/Year) | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Axcella Health Inc.</u> [AXLA] | | | | | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AXCELLA HEALTH INC. | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |
| 840 MEMORIAL DRIVE | | | Director X Officer (give title below) | 10% Owner Other (specify below) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting | | |
| (Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 | | | Chief Medical | Officer | | Person | by More than One Person | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr | oirect O direct | Nature of Indire wnership (Instr. | ature of Indirect Beneficial ership (Instr. 5) | |
| Common Stock | | | 30,000 ⁽¹⁾ | E | | | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | |
| | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercis | se Form: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. | |
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 5) | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | (2) | 06/27/2029 | Common Stock | 20,800 | 9.31 | D | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | (3) | 01/02/2030 | Common Stock | 10,250 | 4.12 | D | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | (4) | 11/10/2030 | Common Stock | 11,000 | 5.04 | D | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | (5) | 02/09/2031 | Common Stock | 31,050 | 6.59 | D | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | (6) | 06/25/2031 | Common Stock | 10,000 | 4.11 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents a grant of 30,000 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs"), each representing a contingent right to receive one share of AXLA common stock. 25% of the shares underlying this grant vested on August 31, 2021, with the remainder vesting in twelve equal quarterly installments thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service on each such vesting date.

2. 25% of the shares underlying this option vested and became exercisable on June 27, 2020, with the remainder vesting in twelve equal quarterly installments thereafter, subject to subject to Reporting Person's continued service on each such vesting date.

3. 25% of the shares underlying this option vested and became exercisable on January 2, 2021, with the remainder vesting in twelve equal quarterly installments thereafter, subject to subject to Reporting Person's continued service on each such vesting date.

4. 25% of the shares underlying this option vested and became exercisable on November 10, 2021, with the remainder vesting in twelve equal quarterly installments thereafter, subject to subject to Reporting Person's continued service on each such vesting date.

5. 25% of the shares underlying this option shall vest and become exercisable on February 9, 2022, with the remainder vesting in twelve equal quarterly installments thereafter, subject to subject to Reporting Person's continued service on each such vesting date.

6. 25% of the shares underlying this option shall vest and become exercisable on June 25, 2022, with the remainder vesting in twelve equal quarterly installments thereafter, subject to subject to Reporting Person's continued service on each such vesting date

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Pa<u>ul Fehlner, Attorney-</u>

12/13/2021

** Signature of Reporting Person

in-Fact

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of William Hinshaw and Paul Fehlner, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Axcella Health Inc. (the "**Company**"), (i) Form ID, including any attached documents, to effect the assignment of codes to the undersigned to be used in the transmission of information to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission using the EDGAR System, (ii) Forms 3, 4 and 5, (iii) Schedule 13D, (iv) Schedule 13G and (v) amendments of each thereof, in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, Schedule 13D. Schedule 13G or any amendments thereto and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorneyin-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-infact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 or Regulation 13D-G of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The undersigned hereby agrees to indemnify the attorney-in-fact and the Company from and against any demand, damage, loss, cost or expense arising from any false or misleading information provided by the undersigned to the attorney-in-fact.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein. This Power of Attorney supersedes any prior power of attorney in connection with the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of the Company. This Power of Attorney shall expire as to any individual attorney-in-fact if such attorney-in-fact ceases to be an executive officer of the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 13th day of December, 2021.

| /s/ Margaret Koziel |
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| Name: Margaret Koziel |