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# 1957 & Co. (Hospitality) Limited

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 8495)

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the annual general meeting (the "Annual General Meeting") of 1957 & Co. (Hospitality) Limited (the "Company") will be held at 33/F, Times Tower, 391–407 Jaffe Road, Hong Kong on Friday, 27 May 2022 at 10:30 a.m. or, for the sake of health and safety of the shareholders of the Company or due to any reduced gathering restrictions imposed by law, the directors of the Company may at their discretion make additional special arrangements for the Annual General Meeting or another form of the meeting to be held with a combination of an in-room meeting at the same place, and an online virtual meeting via electronic facilities at the same time and on the same date by way of an announcement without the need to give new notice of the Annual General Meeting, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing with or without amendments, the following resolutions:

## **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

To consider and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions of the Company:

- 1. To receive and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021 and the reports of the directors and auditors thereon.
- 2. To re-elect the following retiring directors of the Company:
  - (A) Mr. How Sze Ming as an independent non-executive director of the Company
  - (B) Mr. Ng Wai Hung as an independent non-executive director of the Company
  - (C) Mr. Chan Kam Kwan Jason as an independent non-executive director of the Company
- 3. To authorise the board of directors of the Company to fix the remuneration of the respective directors.

- 4. To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as auditor of the Company and to authorize the board of directors of the Company to fix its remuneration for the year ending 31 December 2022.
- 5. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modification the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:
  - (A) **"That**:
    - (i) subject to paragraph (iii) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined hereinafter) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and/or otherwise deal with additional shares of the Company or securities convertible into shares, or options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe for shares or such convertible securities of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and/or options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which may require the exercise of such powers, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
    - (ii) the approval in paragraph (i) above shall be in addition to any other authorisation given to the directors of the Company and shall authorise the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined hereinafter) to make or grant offers, agreements and/or options which may require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
    - (iii) the aggregate number of shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined hereinafter) pursuant to paragraph (i) above, otherwise than pursuant to paragraph (i) of this resolution, otherwise than pursuant to:
      - (1) any Rights Issue (as defined hereinafter);
      - (2) the grant or exercise of any option under any share option scheme of the Company (if applicable) or any other option, scheme or similar arrangements for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to the directors of the Company, officers and/or employees of the Company and/ or any of its subsidiaries and/or other eligible participants specified thereunder of options to subscribe for Shares or rights to acquire Shares;
      - (3) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment and issue of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company; or

- (4) any issue of Shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any existing convertible notes issued by the Company or any existing securities of the Company which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into Shares, shall not exceed the aggregate of:
  - (a) 20% of the number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution; and
  - (b) (if the Board is so authorised by resolution numbered 5(C)) the aggregate number of shares of the Company repurchased by the Company subsequent to the passing of resolution numbered 5(B) (up to a maximum equivalent to 10% of the number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing resolution numbered 5(B)),

and the approval shall be limited accordingly; and

- (iv) for the purpose of this resolution:
  - (a) "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
    - (1) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
    - (2) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the articles of association of the Company to be held; and
    - (3) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the directors of the Company by this resolution; and
  - (b) "Rights Issue" means an offer of shares of the Company or an issue of warrants, options or other securities giving rights to subscribe for shares of the Company, open for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders of shares of the Company on the register of members on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares of the Company (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or, having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, or the expense or delay which may be involved in determining the exercise or extent of any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any jurisdiction applicable to the Company, any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange applicable to the Company)."

### (B) **"That**:

- (i) subject to paragraph (ii) of this resolution, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined hereinafter) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and which is recognised for this purpose by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange under the Code on Share Buy-backs and, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of the Stock Exchange (the "GEM Listing Rules"), be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (ii) the aggregate number of the shares to be repurchased pursuant to the approval in paragraph (i) of this resolution shall not exceed 10% of the number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly;
- (iii) subject to the passing of each of the paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this resolution, any prior approvals of the kind referred to in paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this resolution which had been granted to the directors of the Company and which are still in effect be and are hereby revoked; and
- (iv) for the purpose of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (b) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the articles of association of the Company to be held; and
- (c) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the directors of the Company by this resolution."
- (C) "That conditional upon the resolutions numbered 5(A) and 5(B) set out in this notice being passed, the general mandate granted to the directors of the Company to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and/or otherwise deal with new shares of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers pursuant to the resolution numbered 5(A) set out in this notice be and is hereby extended by the addition to the number of the issued shares of the Company which may be allotted or agreed conditional or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to such general mandate of an amount representing the number of the issued shares of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority

granted pursuant to resolution numbered 5(B) set out in this notice, provided that such extended amount shall represent up to 10% of the number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of the said resolutions."

### **SPECIAL RESOLUTION**

To consider and if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a special resolution of the Company:

6 "THAT the amended and restated memorandum of association and the second amended and restated articles of association of the Company (incorporating the proposed amendments to the existing memorandum of association and articles of association of the Company, the details of which are set out in Appendix III to the circular of the Company dated 25 March 2022) (the "Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association"), a copy of which has been produced to this meeting and marked "A" and initialed by the chairman of the Annual General Meeting for the purpose of identification, be and are hereby approved and adopted as the memorandum of association and articles of association of the Company in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, the existing memorandum of association and articles of association of the Company with immediate effect after the close of this Annual General Meeting, and any director or company secretary of the Company be and is hereby authorised to do all such acts and things and execute all such documents, deeds and make all such arrangements that he/she shall, in his/her absolute discretion, deem necessary or expedient to implement the adoption of the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association."

> By order of the Board **1957 & Co. (Hospitality) Limited Kwok Chi Po** *Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director*

Hong Kong, 25 March 2022

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#### Notes:

- (i) Resolution numbered 5(C) will be proposed to the shareholders for approval provided that resolutions numbered 5(A) and 5(B) are passed by the shareholders of the Company.
- (ii) A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint another person as his proxy and vote instead of him. A shareholder who is the holder of two or more shares may appoint more than one proxy to represent him and vote on his behalf at the Annual General Meeting. The proxy does not need to be a shareholder of the Company.
- (iii) To be valid, a form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority must be deposited with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting (i.e. before 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, 25 May 2022) or any adjournment thereof. No instrument appointing a proxy shall be valid after the expiration of twelve (12) months from the date named in it as the date of its execution, except at an adjourned Annual General Meeting where the Annual General Meeting was originally held within twelve (12) months from such date.
- (iv) The register of members of the Company will be closed from 24 May 2022 to 27 May 2022, both days inclusive, in order to determine the eligibility of shareholders to attend the above meeting, during which period no share transfers will be registered. To be eligible to attend the above meeting, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 23 May 2022.
- (v) With reference to ordinary resolution numbered 2 above, Mr. How Sze Ming, Mr. Ng Wai Hung and Mr. Chan Kam Kwan Jason, shall retire and being eligible, offered themselves for re-election at the above meeting. Details of the above retiring directors are set out in Appendix I to the circular dated 25 March 2022.
- (vi) In respect of the resolution numbered 5(A), 5(B) and 5(C) above, the directors of the Company wish to state that they have no immediate plans to repurchase any Shares or issue any new securities pursuant to the relevant mandate.
- (vii) In respect of resolution numbered 5(B) above, the directors of the Company wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred by the general mandate to repurchase shares of the Company in circumstances which they deem appropriate and for the benefits of shareholders of the Company. The explanatory statement containing the information necessary to enable shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolution to approve the repurchase by the Company of its own shares, as required by the GEM Listing Rules, is set out in Appendix II to the circular dated 25 March 2022.
- (viii) Delivery of an instrument appointing a proxy will not preclude a shareholder from attending and voting in person at the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment thereof. In such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.
- (ix) In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the following precautionary measures will be taken at the Annual General Meeting unless the Company should require otherwise:
  - (a) compulsory body temperature checks;
  - (b) wearing of surgical face mask is compulsory inside the meeting venue;
  - (c) no refreshment will be served, and no corporate gifts will be distributed; and

(d) signing of health declaration form before admission to the meeting venue.

Shareholders are reminded that physical attendance in person at the Annual General Meeting is not necessary for the purpose of exercising their voting rights. The Company strongly recommends the Shareholders to appoint the chairman of the Annual General Meeting as their proxy to vote on their behalf in respect of the relevant resolution(s) at the meeting instead of attending the meeting in person.

The Company reserves the right to deny entry to the physical venue of the Annual General Meeting should such attendance by the Shareholders in person would contravene the applicable laws in Hong Kong.

(x) If Typhoon Signal No.8 or above is expected to be hoisted or a Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is expected to be in force any time after 8:00 a.m. on the date of the Annual General Meeting, then the meeting will be adjourned. The Company will post an announcement on the website of the Company (www.1957.com.hk) and HKEXnews website (www.hkexnews.hk) to notify shareholders of the date, time and place of the rescheduled meeting. The Annual General Meeting will be held as scheduled when an Amber or a Red Rainstorm Warning Signal is in force. Shareholders should decide on their own whether they would attend the meeting under bad weather condition bearing in mind their own situations.

As of the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Kwok Chi Po, Mr. Kwan Wing Kuen Tino and Mr. Lau Ming Fai; the non-executive Directors are Mr. Leung Chi Tien Steve and Ms. Chan Siu Wan; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. How Sze Ming, Mr. Ng Wai Hung and Mr. Chan Kam Kwan Jason.

This announcement, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of the Stock Exchange for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.

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